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27 August 1945

NUMBER 595)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding Officer to the following:

LOUIS A. COMEAU, 32873127, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schontal, Germany. Private First Class Comeau, a member of a heavy machine gun squad, while under constant enemy sniper and machine gun fire, crawled forward displacing his gun to a position to bring direct fire on two enemy positions. His accurate fire eliminated one position and resulted in the capture of the other, along with eleven prisoners. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Comeau reflects credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Springfield, New York.

RAYMOND H. FISHER, 38664354, Private, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Widdern, Germany. As his company was moving in the attack, they were held up by heavy enemy fire. Private Fischer's platoon was sent out to eliminate the enemy fire. During this action, although under intense artillery and mortar fire, he continued to move forward in short rushes so where he could lay more accurate fire on the enemy. Although the action lasted almost three hours, Private Fischer continuously disregarded his own safety, and advanced on the enemy, firing his weapon, thus allowing his company to again move out and successfully complete their mission. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private Fischer reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hazen, Arkansas.

MICHAEL W. LUKASKO, 13083925, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 March 1945, in the vicinity of Omerheim, Germany. Sergeant Lukasko was a member of a heavy machine gun squad attached to a rifle company. When they were held up by enemy machine gun and artillery fire, he, disregarding his personal safety, displaced his gun forward, setting up in open terrain and succeeded in closing up a pillbox, which enabled the rifle unit to move forward and accomplish its mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Lukasko reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Barnesboro, Pennsylvania.

DAVID NEUGIN, 38190530, Private, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945 in the vicinity of Schontal, Germany. Private Neugin, a member of a heavy machine gun squad, while under constant enemy sniper and machine gun fire, crawled forward displacing his gun to a position to bring direct fire on two enemy positions. His accurate fire elimi-

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nated one position, and resulted in the capture of the other, along with eleven prisoners. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Neugin reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hulbert Oklahoma.

JOHN T. WHITE, JR., 37707603, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Sergeant White was a member of a heavy machine gun squad attached to a rifle company. When they were held up by enemy machine gun and artillery fire, he, disregarding his personal safety, displaced his gun forward, setting up in open terrain and succeeded in closing up a pillbox, which enabled the rifle unit to move forward and accomplish its mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant White reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Fraita, Colorado.

ROBERT WILSON, 33388649, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. When a large number of men from his battalion were wounded, an urgent call came for litter bearers. Private First Class Wilson immediately volunteered, and for six to eight hours he worked continuously under heavy enemy small arms and artillery fire, until all of the wounded had been evacuated. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Wilson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Raven, Virginia.

VINCENT ZALOCK, 42102250, Private, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. While on night guard duty with another soldier, Private Zalock noticed enemy soldiers moving about two hundred yards in front of the anti-tank gun positions. He crept forward alone, to a position about fifty yards on the enemy flank, but was discovered and received fire from the enemy. He held his position and fired at the enemy, causing them to withdraw. By his alertness and disregard for personal safety he kept the enemy patrol from gaining information that would have been valuable to them. Private Zalock's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

BY COMMAND OF COLONEL WHEELER:

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM T. SECOR  
1st Lt, A. S. D.  
Asst Adjut. General

ALBERT S. BRITT, JR.  
Lt Col, Field Artillery  
Actg Chief of Staff

HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

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**GENERAL ORDERS**

Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous).....I  
Award of the Silver Star.....II  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....III

**I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)** - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is Posthumously awarded by the Commanding Officer to the following:

JACK CLAIR, 16117935, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 16 January 1945, in the vicinity of Segolsheim, France. When communications between the company command post and the observation post had been severed, Private First Class Clair unhesitatingly, under intermittent artillery and mortar fire, set out to check the line. After taking cover from a heavy concentration of artillery fire, he observed an enemy firing a machine pistol. Firing a sub-machine gun as he charged the position and throwing grenades, he succeeded in killing three of the enemy and causing two of the enemy to flee. He then continued on his mission and successfully reestablished the broken communication line. The gallant action and devotion to duty of Private First Class Clair reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Ann Clair (Mother), Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

ROBERT L. HATTMAN, 33420686, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Tiefenbach, Germany. During the initial attack on the town, the platoon encountered heavy fire from carefully prepared enemy positions, which were manned by approximately eighty SS troops. Private First Class Hattman, the lead man of his squad, although the other squads were stopped by the intense machine gun fire, he continued to advance. Although wounded and with unflinching courage, he kept moving toward the enemy. When within twenty-five yards of the enemy machine gun he assaulted it, firing a full clip of ammunition, he killed one enemy and wounded two others. He died from the wounds received in his brave assault before medical aid could reach him. The gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Hattman reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Stella Hattman (Mother), 1465 Benton Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ERNEST H. PARRETT, 18180359, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sulzdorf, Germany. When the company received heavy machine gun fire in the attack on the town, Sergeant Parrett, despite the intense enemy fire, made his way forward towards the enemy gun. Observing the enemy gunner in a house, he made his way from house to house and with rifle grenades scored direct hits

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on the enemy position. With the enemy gun eliminated, the company was then able to continue the advance. Sergeant Parrott, in returning to join his platoon, was fatally wounded by an enemy sniper. The gallantry and devotion to duty of Sergeant Parrott reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Jessie O. Parrott (Mother), Route 2 Box 672, Dallas, Texas.

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding Officer to the following:

ALLAN H. WHALING, O554657, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Colmar, France. Lieutenant Whaling, platoon leader, was leading his platoon when they were subjected to intense machine gun and bazooka fire. Ordering his platoon to withdraw, he moved to an advantageous position under the increasing fire and succeeded in killing or wounding the enemy bazooka team. Not until all of his men had withdrawn safely and continued the fire fight did he leave his position to join the platoon. Later, he directed accurate mortar fire on the enemy machine gun position, successfully eliminating that threat. The magnificent courage and outstanding devotion to duty of Lieutenant Whaling reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding Officer to the following:

THOMAS E. GLUNT, 34966676, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

BY COMMAND OF COLONEL [REDACTED]:

ALBERT S. BRITT, JR.,  
Lt Col, Field Artillery  
Actg Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM F. STEGER  
1st Lt, A. G. D.  
Asst Adjutant General

27 August 1945

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding Officer to the following:

RALPH E. DOUGHERTY, 32300538, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. Sergeant Dougherty, runner in the antitank platoon, volunteered to carry much needed bazooka ammunition to rifle elements. One platoon of riflemen was held up, out of ammunition and suffering casualties. Although laden with ammunition, he ran through a mortar barrage, into an area that was under heavy machinegun fire, to deliver the badly needed ammunition, thus allowing the riflemen to drive the enemy from their covered positions and continue the attack. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Dougherty reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Nutley, New Jersey.

GILBERT B. FOX, 01300470, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gunzburg, Germany. Captain Fox, accompanied by two scouts and a driver, went forward to establish an assembly area for the battalion. After reaching a suitable area, he was informed by a Polish laborer that sixteen heavily armed enemy were in the vicinity. Taking with him one gun, he stood in full view of the enemy and ordered the Polish laborer to summon the enemy forward. The enemy, seeing Captain Fox boldly awaiting them, came forward in surrender with three machine guns, one machine pistol and twelve rifles. After directing the prisoners to the rear he established the assembly area. The courage and prompt action of Captain Fox caused the surrender of sixteen enemy who may have caused heavy casualties. This action reflects credit upon Captain Fox and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Palmyra, New Jersey.

JOHN L. HOBBS, 36215159, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "L", 25th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 January 1945, in the vicinity of Jobsheim, France. When this company received heavy enemy small arms and mortar fire in the attack on the town, Sergeant Hobbs, although wounded in the leg, continued to lead his squad. His well controlled fire inflicted many casualties on the enemy and caused many being later captured. When ordered to the rear Sergeant Hobbs carried a wounded man a distance of one half mile over thin ice and through freezing water. The bravery and determination of Sergeant Hobbs reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

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**WILLIAM C. MATIS**, 35559187, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. When the battalion was held up by strongly entrenched enemy Sergeant Matis, platoon sergeant, antitank platoon, armed with a bazooka, moved forward to dislodge the enemy. Although wounded by sniper fire, he continued to fire upon the enemy positions, allowing tanks and riflemen to advance. Through his daring action, he aided materially in the final dislodgment of the enemy. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Matis reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

**JACKSON V. HINS**, 34999542, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. While assault units battled with enemy pillboxes, intense enemy artillery and rocket fire fell on the company. In the first barrage one of the officers was wounded and Sergeant Hins volunteered to carry him through the artillery fire and over sniper covered terrain to the aid station. Having accomplished this dangerous mission, he then returned alone through the same fire to evacuate other casualties. Three more times he covered the perilous two mile stretch. Troops were held up by the terrific volume of fire but he refused to be held up on his mission of mercy. The unflinching courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Hins reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Attalla, Alabama.

**LANCE D. MOSHER**, 35689524, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Oberrosheim, Germany. Private First Class Mosher, acting on his own initiative, left his place of concealment and advanced over open terrain in the face of very heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, in order to evacuate a seriously wounded man. After carrying him to safety he administered first aid. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Mosher reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Rock Island, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF COLONEL [REDACTED]:

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM C. SARGENT  
1st Lt., U. S. A.,  
Asst Adjutant General

ALBERT S. BLITT, JR.  
1st Col, Field Artillery  
Actg Chief of Staff

28 August 1945

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

THOMAS G. BAKER, 38571896, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Alhausen, Germany. When counterattacked by strong enemy SS forces, the artillery forward observer became separated from his unit and could no longer direct fire against the enemy. Private First Class Baker assumed the duties of the artillery forward observer and directed the much needed artillery supporting fires. During the course of the attack, he continuously placed accurate fire on the enemy, causing them to withdraw. When the enemy had withdrawn some distance, he followed them with his heavy concentrations of fire, thereby preventing them from reorganizing to renew the attack. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Baker reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Enid, Oklahoma.

ANDREW GRACON, 35242713, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissbach, Germany. Sergeant Gracon left his covered position and crawled, under intense enemy small arms fire, to an exposed position to direct the fire of his squad's mortar on an enemy emplacement, holding up the company advance. He laid in this perilous position in sight of the enemy and continued to direct effective fire, until riflemen were able to flank the enemy and neutralize them. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Gracon reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

VICTOR F. KONARSKI, 31350313, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 January 1945, in the vicinity of Jébsheim, France. While Sergeant Konarski was leading his squad in an enveloping maneuver, the squad was subjected to intense enemy small arms and mortar fire. Moving over open terrain he engaged the enemy machine gun with his sub-machine gun fire, enabling the squad to withdraw to covered positions. Again crossing the exposed ground, he successfully rejoined his squad. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Konarski reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

RUSSELL C. STRIMEL, 42186852, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Berlichingen, Germany. Private First Class Strimel, a member of a heavy machine gun squad,

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while under enemy machine gun and artillery fire, maneuvered his gun to a position for delivering flanking fire on the enemy positions. By accurate fire he killed three enemy, neutralized one gun, and captured the other along with five prisoners, enabling the rifle company to move forward and accomplish its mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Strimel reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hillside, New Jersey.

WINSLEY H. WATERS, 34966709, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gudigen, Germany. While a platoon, supported by a squad of mortars, were moving in the attack, they were held up by heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire. Sergeant Waters observed an advantageous position about two hundred yards away and moved his squad across an open field under fire to this position. After setting up the gun, he directed fire on the enemy position, allowing the riflemen to make the attack and rout the enemy forces. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Waters reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Calhoun Falls, South Carolina.

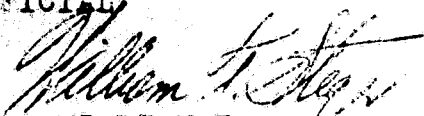
WILLIAM H. VOST, 35924809, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Sergeant Vost, a member of a heavy machine gun squad, observed his unit being held up by heavy enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire. He ran across two hundred yards of open terrain to a position where he could deliver flanking fire on the enemy. His accurate fire resulted in the capture of nine prisoners and enabled the rifle company to complete its mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Vost reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Atwater, Ohio.

EMILIO W. ZANFAGNA, 32448293, Private, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Neuhausel, France. The combat patrol of which Private Zanfagna was a member, received heavy small arms fire from enemy pillboxes across the river. Unhesitatingly, he returned the fire, keeping the enemy occupied while the remainder of the patrol withdrew across the river to more favorable positions. He then joined the patrol despite the enemy fire. The bravery and courageous action of Private Zanfagna enabled the patrol to successfully accomplish its mission. This action reflects credit upon Private Zanfagna and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:



WILLIAM T. STEGER  
1st Lt, A. G.  
Asst Adjutant General



*Joseph J. ...*  
*28 August 1945*

GENERAL ORDERS)

ORIGINAL ORDER 4

28 August 1945

NUMBER 501)

- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous).....II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....III

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

VICTOR D. MLEDZICK, 16007221, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany: Sergeant Mledzick, when the company was attacking, received word that an unknown number of enemy were located in a village to the rear of the company's position. Approaching the building occupied by the enemy he called to them to surrender, receiving no answer he threw a grenade into the building and fired several rounds from his carbine. This action resulted in the surrender of seven enemy, thus eliminating a threat to the rear of the company's positions. The bravery and aggressive action displayed by Sergeant Mledzick reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Princeton, Washington.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is Posthumously awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CHARLES A. EATON, 17070769, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Jebshain, France. Acting aggressively when he realized that the leading elements of his platoon were under heavy enemy fire, and in the open, Sergeant Eaton took command of those men in the rear that were able to move more easily. He led these men along a draw and onto a knoll where he opened fire on the enemy. Still advancing and firing, he was able to force an entry for himself and his men into the woods and relieve the rest of the platoon from its precarious position, thus insuring the success of the mission and saving innumerable lives. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Eaton reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Betty Lou Eaton (wife), 145 W. Butler Street, Manchester, Iowa.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLIAM M. FITZGERALD, 20219234, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. When an urgent call for ammunition was sent out by a platoon, Sergeant Fitzgerald, Company Clerk, volunteered to carry it to the men. Although constantly under enemy small arms and mortar fire, he succeeded in making several trips with the much needed ammunition. While returning to the Company Command Post, he encountered a wounded man; applying first aid, he then went and secured litter bearers. After leading the litter bearers to the wounded man he assisted in evacuating him. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Fitzgerald reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

GUY W. ST. JOHN, 32812710, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Remm, Germany. When his squad leader had been wounded, Private First Class St. John assumed command of his squad, and led them in an attack against an enemy held town. In the face of a heavy concentration of small arms fire, he advanced across flat, open ground, firing his rifle as he advanced. When an enemy bullet seriously wounded him, he did not falter, but continued at the head of his squad, and ran, firing, into the village, personally accounting for the killing of two enemy. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class St. John reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Richmond Hill, New York.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HUBERT W. BRYANT, 01185662, First Lieutenant, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 7 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tifton, Georgia.

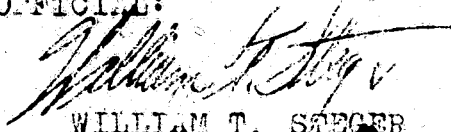
HARRY J. GIORGIO, 42031296, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

ROSARIO T. RADICH, 32523457, Corporal, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM T. STEGER  
1st Lt., A. G.  
Asst Adjutant General

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ORIGINAL ORDER 9

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 602)

Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous)..... I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... II  
Award of the Purple Heart..... III

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS) - BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General to the following:

MICHAEL BANKA, 35927562, Private, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 1 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. Next of kin: Mary Banka (Mother), 5100 West 93d Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ALMO A. CECCHINI, 31199604, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Montpelier, Vermont.

JAMES K. GRAYSON, 42008018, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Haledon, New Jersey.

AUSTIN LITTLE, 37742719, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 29 February 1945 to 10 March 1945, in the vicinity of Saargemines, France. Entered military service from Liberty, Missouri.

SEBURN M. RICHARDSON, 38396088, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 January 1945 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Shawnee, Oklahoma.

FRANK J. SEMCNIK, 33702541, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania.

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HOWARD E. SPINN, 34234994, First Sergeant, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Shreveport, Louisiana.

HERRION A. VINCENT, 31184504, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

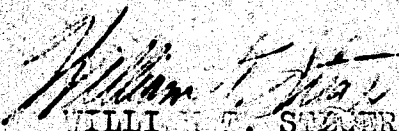
III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following:

ROGER L. JOHNSON, 42033087, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 63d Infantry Division, Germany, 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Jamestown, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIG DIER G. FERRIS:

DARR G. WHEELER  
Colonel, U. S. A.,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM E. SLICER  
1st Lt, U. S. A.,  
1st Adjutant General

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 603)

23 August 1945

*Superior*  
*General*

*GENERAL ORDER*

Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....1

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regula-  
tions 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf  
Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding  
General to the following:

MYLAN BROWN, 35543630, Private First Class, Infantry, Company  
"G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1  
April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. As a leader of  
a rifle group engaged in clearing houses of the enemy, Private First  
Class Brown observed a machine gun firing from a house a hundred  
yards down the road. With two riflemen covering him, he worked his  
way from doorway to doorway, through sniper and machine gun fire,  
until he reached the back door to the house. Entering the house an  
opening the door of the room, he threw a white phosphorus grenade  
and then charged in firing his rifle, but found the entire crew  
dead. The courage and devotion to duty of Private First Class Brown  
reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United  
States. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

SILVIO C. BAZILLO, 42071256, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in ac-  
tion on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Acheshausen, Germany. Dur-  
ing an enemy counterattack the ammunition supply was running low.  
Private First Class Bazillo volunteered to go to the ammunition dump  
which was situated about one thousand yards to the rear. Under  
heavy artillery and small arms fire, he worked his way back and re-  
turned heavily loaded with the vital ammunition. He made the per-  
ilous trip three times, replenishing the company's supply of ammu-  
nition, which enabled them to repel the counterattack. This heroic  
act reflects credit upon Private First Class Bazillo and upon the  
Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from  
Ozone Park, New York.

FRANK OSBORNE, 39286649, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Ser-  
geant), Infantry, Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic  
achievement in action on 23 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gunzburg,  
Germany. Sergeant Osborne, acting as platoon leader, was on recon-  
naissance when he observed an enemy eighty-eight mm gun supported  
by infantry, being towed to a junction of the road. Without regard  
for his personal safety, he secured an automatic rifle and with  
three men engaged the enemy. Firing the automatic rifle, he suc-  
ceeded in killing or wounding eighteen of the enemy and forced the  
remainder to surrender. He then assisted in destroying the enemy  
artillery piece. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by  
Sergeant Osborne reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed  
Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Los

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Los Angeles, California.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CHARLES C. KEPLER, 32134226, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gunzburg, Germany. Sergeant Kepler, when the company received heavy machine gun fire, ordered his men to take cover and himself set out to determine the location of the enemy gun. After locating the machine gun, he engaged the enemy with rifle fire long enough for his own section of machine guns to set up and fire upon the enemy. Although wounded by shell fragments in this action, he continued on to silence the enemy machine gun. Then moving forward, he captured a group of enemy artillery observers and from their observation post directed effective mortar fire upon the enemy. The bravery and aggressive action displayed by Sergeant Kepler reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

PAUL A. GEORGE, 33472928, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Aschhausen, Germany. Private First Class George, a forward observer for the mortar platoon, was with the leading elements of the rifle company when they were held up by heavy enemy small arms fire. With little regard for his own safety, he crawled to an exposed position with his radio and under heavy enemy fire transmitted fire orders to his mortars. The mortars then laid down white phosphorus fire and under the smoke screen the company was able to reorganize and take their objective. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class George reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pitsburgh, Pennsylvania.

HARRY C. REAM, JR., 35226543, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Sergeant Ream, with utter disregard for his personal safety, and though himself wounded in the arm, left his covered position. Exposing himself to intense artillery and small arms fire, he went over open terrain and evacuated a wounded man, whom he carried over two hundred yards to a place of cover where first aid could be administered. This courageous action and devotion to duty reflect credit upon Sergeant Ream and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM T. SAWYER  
1st Lt, A. D.  
Asst Adjutant General

*Bayle*  
*28 August 1945*

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 604)

ORIGINAL ORDER 3

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ARTHUR G. JOHNSON, 31446953, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 February 1945, in the vicinity of Sarreguemines, France. When two squads were held up by enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class Johnson volunteered to go to their assistance. Armed with a captured enemy machine gun and rifle, he flanked the enemy and then directed the fire of his weapon upon the enemy machine gunners. The accuracy of his fire on the enemy relieved pressure on the two squads, making it possible for them to move forward and accomplish their mission. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

GERALD F. BROWN, 34648897, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. While his platoon was meeting bitter resistance during street fighting, Sergeant Brown was leading an assault group on the left flank of his platoon. From his position he was able to observe several enemy trying to make their escape. He left his covered position and from an exposed position opened fire, killing three of the enemy. Shortly afterwards he assisted in capturing seven more of the enemy. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Brown reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.

JOHN W. FINLAY, 12222165, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 December 1944, in the vicinity of Drusenheim, France. Sergeant Finlay was tending the mortar platoon telephone and transmitting fire orders coming from the observation post. Enemy artillery fire coming in along the course of the communication line broke the line. He immediately obtained relief on the phone, and went out under an intense enemy fire to repair the line in three places so that the mortar fire mission could be continued. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Finlay re-

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flect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

HENRY H. KIDWELL, 33452992, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kesselfeld, Germany. The platoon to which Private First Class Kidwell was attached as aid man, was forced to take cover from heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire. The intense fire had caused several casualties and realizing the need for immediate aid, he rushed from cover, exposed himself to the fire and ran to the wounded men. After administering aid to two of the wounded, he removed them from their dangerous position and carried them to safety. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Kidwell reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

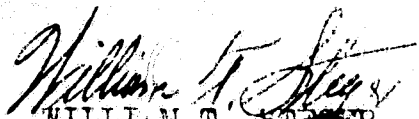
BURLEIGH NEISLER, 34089437, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nagelsberg, Germany. While the company was engaged in the attack inside the town, they received a heavy barrage of mortar fire which wounded seven men. Sergeant Neisler, platoon sergeant, leaving his place of safety, rushed to their assistance. Although wounded in the leg and chest by shell fragments, he refused first aid until he had helped the aid men care for the wounded. He then refused to be evacuated until he was sure that the platoon was being well handled by his successor. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Neisler reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Cummings, Georgia.

HERBERT SCHNEIDERMAN, 32176337, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dottingen, Germany. Private First Class Schneiderman, company German interpreter, voluntarily exposed himself to enemy fire to persuade enemy to surrender. Although under direct fire of enemy machine guns, he stood upright and disregarding his own personal safety urged the enemy forward to surrender. After repeated attempts, he succeeded in influencing the enemy and seven came forward in surrender. The bravery and ability of Private First Class Schneiderman contributed greatly in the company's successful attack and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM T. STEINER  
1st Lt, A. G.  
Asst Adjutant General



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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 22 September 1942, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

**WILLIAM P. TURRELL**, 1630183, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Eliesranzbach, Germany. The mission of his squad was to move on to a hill and set up an observation post. They moved to the hill but could not set up because of heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Corporal Turrell, armed with white phosphorus and fragmentation grenades, led his men in an assault over open terrain, through heavy fire, destroying one machine gun position and forcing the surrender of the other. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Turrell reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

**ROBERT CHRISTMAN**, 1922909, Private First Class, Infantry, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945, in the vicinity of Trauenberg, France. Private First Class Christman, a scout observer, was on duty at the observation post located in an attic of a building when an intense mortar barrage came in. He refused to leave his post, even though several direct hits were scored on the house. Remaining at his position, he finally located the enemy mortar and by directing accurate fire upon it destroyed the enemy gun. Private First Class Christman's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

**JOSEPH F. FOYLE**, 12073974, Private First Class, Infantry, Company 778, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hiedelberg, Germany. Private First Class Foyle, assistant machine gunner, volunteered to expose himself to heavy enemy small arms fire and direct the fire of automatic weapons upon the enemy. Without regard to personal safety, he remained in this completely exposed position for one hour and directed fire upon the enemy, until the enemy was disorganized and forced to retreat. The bravery and initiative displayed by Private First Class Foyle reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ozon Park, New York.

**JOHN W. ELLIFSON**, 26831120, Technician Grade Five, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945, in the vicinity of Wandshubshelm, Germany. When one of the ammunition trucks was set afire, Technician Grade Five Ellifson immediately, without regard for his personal safety, jumped into the truck and drove the vehicle away from the men and the gun positions. He then proceeded to fight the fire and succeeded in putting the fire out preventing serious damage and many casualties.

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The bravery and cool actions displayed by Technician Grade Five Johnson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CLAYTON J. JOHNSON, 36000719, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 25th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Pishheim, Germany. The antitank platoon was dug in close to the Battalion Command Post. During an intense barrage, two men of the platoon were wounded from shell fragments. Private First Class Johnson, disregarding his own personal safety, made his way to the wounded men and administered first aid. Assisting first one and then the other he picked his way through the heavy barrage of enemy shells, to a place of relative safety. After arranging for their evacuation he returned to his post. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Johnson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ellsworth, Wisconsin.

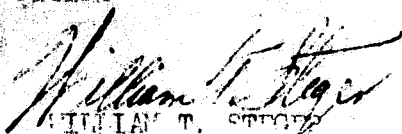
DONALD L. LINDLEY, 35220895, Private First Class, Infantry, Company, 25th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Pishheim, Germany. When the company was in need of supporting mortar fire, Private First Class Lindley, although in view of the enemy, continued to operate his radio and contact the mortar platoon. When the forward observer was wounded he was left alone to direct fire and control the radio. He fired three hundred rounds of ammunition and neutralized several enemy machine gun positions, enabling the company to take the objective with very few casualties. The gallant efforts and undeviating devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Lindley reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Parkersburg, West Virginia.

DOLINICK A. MONTONARO, 33612544, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 25th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, in the vicinity of Leimbach, Germany. The Battalion across the Danube River was desperately fighting off enemy counterattacks and running low on ammunition. Private First Class Montonaro volunteered to carry the much needed ammunition to them. Although the bridge was under heavy enemy fire, he succeeded in getting the ammunition to the leading elements of the rifle companies. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Montonaro reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

TABLE G. SHEPHERD  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM T. STRONG  
1st Lt, A. G. V.,  
Asst Adjutant Gen

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GENERAL ORDERS)

ORIGINAL ORDER #

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NUMBER 606) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HENRY T. ETHERIDGE, 34986655, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jackson, Tennessee.

JAMES V. FULK, 38079018, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

LAWRENCE GANNENDORFF, JR., 34272403, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lafayette, Louisiana.

RICHARD C. HUET, 33931938, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT P. LEONG, 30110702, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Honolulu, Hawaii.

CHARLES M. MANESS, 20730952, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Edgerton, Ohio.

ALBERT J. MUSIC, 34089081, Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade), Ordnance, 763d Ordnance (LM) Company, for meritorious service from 1 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Alma, Georgia.

HOWARD OLSEN, 32179028, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Holbach, France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BALDO PUCCI, 36800687, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 to 30 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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CLARENCE W. ROBERDS, 36033495, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 63d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Normal, Illinois.

ORIN K. BRESNESS, 16021699, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 25 January 1945 to 19 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tomahawk, Wisconsin.

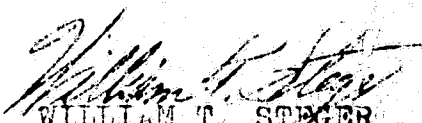
JOSEPH T. TUNULTY, 11053713, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dorchester, Massachusetts.

JOHN C. WHITE, 42030176, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hastings, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM T. STEGER  
1st Lt, A. G. D.  
Asst Adjutant General

28 August 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

ORIGINAL ORDER 3

NUMBER 607) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLIAM W. WOOD, 39919313, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 11 January 1945, in the vicinity of Petit Rederching, France. Entered military service from Pleasant Grove, Utah.

PAUL F. BLISS, 38642542, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Kleinbittersdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Athens, Texas.

FLOYD L. FINCH, 32948190, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken Woods, France. Entered military service from Oxford, New York.

ALBERT J. GAETA, 31460204, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 23 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gunzburg, Germany. Entered military service from Ridgefield, Connecticut.

HAROLD D. GERSTNER, 36826651, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 4 to 7 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Entered military service from Lake Mills, Wisconsin.

ALVIN GERHARDT, 42031448, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 and 4 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

HOWARD H. LANGHAM, JR., 19211088, Private First Class, Infantry Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement, on 2 March 1945 and 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Guldinger, Germany. Entered military service from Alameda, California.

THELMA MEADOWS, 35640351, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

ROBERT L. WILKINSON, 16152337, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Kayserberg, France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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GEORGE C. ALLEN, 11015738, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 19 March 1945 to 21 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Ferrisac, Massachusetts.

VICTOR J. BLUM, 36882920, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 5 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JOSEPH D. CARTASEGNA, 39338864, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Oregon.

IRVIN M. CONDON, JR., 32955883, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 3 to 21 March 1945, in the vicinity of Kleinbitterdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Wildwood, New Jersey.

ROBERT C. SHADELY, 37660600, Private, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 24 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Colfax, Iowa.

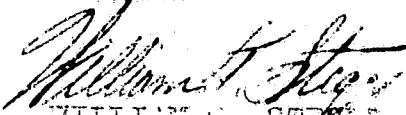
LEONARD S. GILRSKI, 36765413, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 7 February 1945 to 17 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Chicago, Illinois.

WALTER J. SPERP, 33692586, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM E. VAN DIEBSON, 32530982, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nyack, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIAL:

  
WILLIAM E. STEGERT  
1st Lt, A. G. D.,  
Asst Adjutant General

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

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GENERAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 608)

ORIGINAL ORDER 9 10

28 August 1945

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ROBERT C. ALPLEN, 36576321, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Haagen, Germany. When the company's advance was halted by intense enemy small arms and mortar fire and his platoon leader was injured, Sergeant Alplen took command of the platoon and placed them in strategic positions. He then, under heavy enemy fire, crawled forward and directed and pointed out targets of firing. He was directly responsible for the silencing of several enemy positions. The leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Alplen reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Allegan, Michigan.

JAMES O'BRIEN, 37479291, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. Sergeant O'Brien observed an enemy position on his flank. He began to work his way towards it under intense small arms and machine gun fire. After crawling almost fifty yards, he fired two rifle grenades into the position, killing three and wounding two of the enemy. He then went forward and captured the two wounded men. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant O'Brien reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Omaha, Nebraska.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ROBERT E. BOYER, 31417236, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 April 1945, in the vicinity of Leipheim, Germany. When the enemy counterattacked, Sergeant Boyer immediately deployed his squad so as to give vital support to the lead company. So tactfully did he deploy his squad that the counterattack was repulsed and gained new ground from the enemy. During this action it was necessary for Sergeant Boyer to creep and crawl over open terrain which was under heavy fire, to coordinate the renewed attack with the lead company. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Boyer reflect credit upon himself and upon the

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Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from  
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

MERRILL W. GORE, 39339055, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 March 1945, in the vicinity of Fechingen, Germany. As a result of an intensive shelling, seven men including Sergeant Gore were wounded. Disregarding his own wound, he aided in getting the men to covered positions, where he administered first aid and when the barrage lifted helped evacuate them. Realizing that the platoon was short of men, he refused to be evacuated until the next day when the new positions were secured. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Gore reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

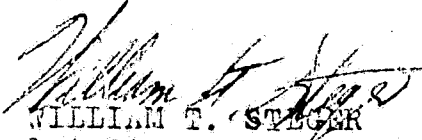
EUGENE L. GUTHRIE, 39933005, Private, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sinsheim, Germany. After several men had been wounded and were lying in exposed positions, Private Guthrie volunteered to assist the aid men in their evacuation. Crawling forward fifty yards, under intense enemy small arms and mortar fire, he placed the wounded man on his back and carried him to safety. He made the perilous trip twice more before they were all safely moved. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Guthrie reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Shoshone, Idaho.

GEORGE W. MOULDS, 34986064, Private, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bleisbrucken, Germany. In a night time action with a nine man patrol sent out to bring back a prisoner Private Moulds contributed greatly to the success of the patrol's mission. When fired on by the enemy, the patrol was forced to take cover. Private Moulds, a Browning automatic rifle man, rose to his feet and advanced alone firing at the enemy. This enabled the patrol to move out and flank the enemy position and capture four prisoners. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private Moulds reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pachuta, Mississippi.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
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WILLIAM T. STEGER  
1st Lt, A. G. D.  
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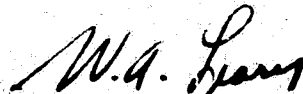
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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Robert A. Stearns  
26 South Gum Street  
North Vernon, Indiana

So much of General Orders 309, Headquarters 33rd Infantry Division dated 20 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Cross Star Medal to Robert A. Stearns, SS 630 734, which reads, "Private First Class Robert A. Stearns, SS 630 734", is amended to read, "Private First Class Robert A. Stearns, SS 630 734".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



Adjutant General

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28 August 1945

General Order)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

NUMBER 609)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the followings:

PAUL H. WILLIAMS, 3681028, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrücken Woods, France. When the entire company was held up by intense fire from an enemy bunker, Sergeant Williams, squad leader, on his own initiative, maneuvered his squad to the enemy's flank and deployed them in firing positions. These acts were performed in the face of constant enemy machine gun fire, but regardless of the danger, he fearlessly and skillfully led his entire squad, by fire and movement, to the complete routing of the enemy position, without incurring a single casualty. The outstanding leadership and courage displayed by Sergeant Williams reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Garrison, Texas.

ROBERT A. STERNS, 35830734, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "J", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. While manning an outpost, Private First Class Sterns observed a twelve man enemy patrol approaching the company positions. When he received no answer to his challenge, he threw several grenades at the enemy and received return fire from the enemy patrol. Firing his automatic rifle, he, alone, routed the enemy patrol, thereby preventing the enemy from penetrating the company positions. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Sterns reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Vernon, Indiana.

CLEM J. PODOLAK, 36876090, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gudigen, Germany. Private First Class Podolak, assistant squad leader, antitank company, under intense enemy fire, moved his gun forward of the rifle troops to assure immediate and close support against mechanized attacks. Throughout the entire night, he stood a continuous guard without sleep or rest in the forward position. Private First Class Podolak's leadership and devotion to duty under hazardous conditions reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from St. Joseph, Michigan.

GEORGE K. SINKINSON, 42008011, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenberg, Germany. While Staff Sergeant Sinkinson was leading his section of machine guns in the attack of strongly defended enemy positions, heavy enemy small arms fire was encountered. Making a quick estimate of the situation, he placed his guns in action and delivered a large volume of fire upon the enemy positions, destroying two enemy machine guns and killing seven of the enemy. During this action, when one of the gunners

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was wounded, he manned the gun himself and continued the effective fire. Sergeant Sinkinson's bravery and leadership enabled the company to continue the advance and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Englewood, New Jersey.

ALLEN WORNOM, JR., 33539964, Private, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. In the advance on the Siegfried Line the company was held up by intense enemy small arms fire. Private Wornom voluntarily and on his own initiative flanked the enemy position in order to lay a base of fire and hold down the enemy. This action accounted for several enemy dead and wounded, and caused the subsequent capture of a machine gun position and its complement of enemy. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Wornom reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Phoebus, Virginia.

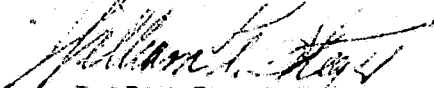
SAJ VICTOR J. ROSA, 31047313, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesguersveller, France. While clearing a road block, Sergeant Rosa and two men received fire from an enemy position. He immediately deployed the two men to set up a base of fire and then creeping and crawling until within twenty yards of the position, he threw a hand grenade which neutralized the position. He then continued on and successfully cleared the road block. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Rosa reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Middletown, Connecticut.

MORRAN BROWN, 33882644, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. When volunteers were called for to clear the houses of the enemy in the town, Private First Class Brown unhesitatingly volunteered. Although under intensive enemy fire, he aided greatly in routing the enemy from the houses. He personally captured an enemy panzerfaust team, eliminating a serious threat to the advancing tanks. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Brown contributed greatly to the success of the capture of the town and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Blue Ridge, Virginia.

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23 August 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

NUMBER 610)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ALBERT H. BOUDMAN, 33877602, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ensengen, Germany. When the platoon encountered heavy enemy automatic weapons fire, Private First Class Boudman, automatic rifleman, voluntarily crawled forward toward the enemy position. Although under intense enemy fire, he engaged the enemy with his automatic rifle and succeeded in killing four of the enemy and wounding two, enabling the platoon to continue the attack. Private First Class Boudman's bravery and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Milton, Pennsylvania.

WALLACE E. DUNSMORE, 32956448, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. When his platoon was held up by machine gun fire, Sergeant Dunsmore crawled forward to locate the gun. After crawling a considerable distance under heavy enemy fire, he located the gun and fired tracers at it. In doing so he killed one enemy and drew the fire on himself, which allowed his squad to assault and eliminate the gun. This brave action reflects credit upon Sergeant Dunsmore and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

WILBURT D. MURPHY, 34704935, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshein, Germany. During the attack on the Siegfried Line, Private First Class Murphy, though painfully wounded, refused evacuation and moved forward with his machine gun section. Under heavy enemy fire, he set up his gun and by accurate fire neutralized the enemy fire from a pill box, allowing the riflemen to go forward and destroy the pill box. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Murphy reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Titus, Alabama.

GORDON P. TAYLOR, 36582886, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisbach, Germany. Private First Class Taylor, with utter disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself to enemy machine gun and small arms fire and advanced on a machine gun position, firing his automatic rifle. He killed two of the crew and overran the position. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Taylor contributed greatly to the success of the company's attack and reflect credit upon himself

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and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

LLOYD F. CHIPPS, 35924953, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshein, Germany. Entered military service from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

EDWIE A. HICKS, 34883118, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshein, Germany. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

HAROLD H. MILLER 35290123, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 2 to 6 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Entered the military service from Tunnelton, West Virginia.

MERLIN A. OSWALD, 33952485, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 20 March 1945, in the vicinity of Omersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Hertztown, Pennsylvania.

JAMES SMITH, 34883400, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 1 January 1945 to 15 January 1945, in the vicinity of Aachen, France. Entered military service from Daisy, Tennessee.

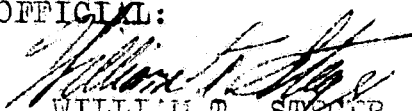
RYOR K. HOUGHAN, 37693791, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 15 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

WALTER L. HOLDEN, 38672182, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 21 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wharton, Texas.

WOODROW W. BLY, 33696303, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waynesburg, Pennsylvania.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

28 August 1945

NUMBER 611)

ORIGINAL ORDER

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

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JAMES E. CROW, 33788408, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Osthain, France. By daylight, under perfect observation of the enemy, Sergeant Crow volunteered to repair vital communication lines. Although sighted and fired on by sniper, machine gun and mortar fire, he crawled through the deep snow to find the break in the line. He then connected his test telephone and directed mortar fire on the enemy he had encountered. After successfully neutralizing the enemy positions he repaired the break in the line. The gallantry in action and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Crow reflect credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Goldsboro, North Carolina.

ADRIAN B. WILLIAMS, 35893519, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. When Sergeant Williams was on the extreme left flank of his platoon, he observed fifteen enemy who were working their way toward him. Without regard for his personal safety, he gathered some hand grenades and worked his way out to ambush them. He threw seven white phosphorus grenades and five fragmentation grenades, and then opened fire with his carbine, eliminating the entire patrol. Sergeant Williams' gallant action reflects credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Paris, Kentucky.

II. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CHARLES M. MARINO, 42031577, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Tannach, France. When the communication line went out of order, Sergeant Marino, communications sergeant, started out to repair the line. He was under direct observation of the enemy and enemy mortar fire. By creeping and crawling through this fire, he repaired five breaks in the line, although it required almost four hours because of the intensity of

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the enemy barrage. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Marino reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Flushing, Queens, New York.

WAYNE D. ROBINS, 19172160, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Aachen, France. While directing the actions of his platoon, Sergeant Robins observed an enemy machine gun. Making use of cover and concealment and braving intense small arms and machine gun fire, he worked to the rear of the enemy position and threw in a grenade. He then charged the position firing his rifle, and successfully neutralized the enemy position. This heroic act reflects credit upon Sergeant Robins and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Scipio, Utah.

ALFRED SUELFLOW, 36263549, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Herbolzheim, Germany. While leading his squad in the attack, they were held up by artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Under the heavy barrage, the members of Sergeant Suelflow's squad became panicky. Disregarding his own personal safety, he, exposed to the enemy fire, moved about his men offering them advice and encouragement. He succeeded in restoring full confidence in his men and then moved them forward and eliminated the enemy snipers. The leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Suelflow reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

REINHOLD WALKER, 37560987, Private First Class (then Private), Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Aachen, France. Private First Class Walker's squad was engaged in clearing houses on the main street in a town, when suddenly they received sniper fire from an enemy position in one of the houses. Private First Class Walker observed the sniper's position and rushed the house. Entering the building through a window, he killed two snipers and wounded another. Upon investigating the house further, he found five more of the enemy. Firing upon them, he killed one and forced the others to surrender. He then rejoined his squad and continued the attack. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Walker reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Rochester, Minnesota.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 612)

ORIGINAL ORDER -

- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal..... I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous)..... II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... III

I AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JAMES E. FORD, 36690806, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945, in the vicinity of Heidelberg, Germany. Sergeant Ford and another man were on their way to inspect, by reconnaissance, and SS ammunition dump. Approaching the crest of a hill, they encountered an eleven man enemy patrol heavily armed with automatic weapons and Panzerfausts. Although greatly outnumbered, he engaged the enemy in a fire fight, killing six, wounding three, and capturing one. Through interrogation of the prisoner, it was learned that the enemy patrol had been out to attack and destroy his Battalion Command Post. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Ford reflect great credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Vicksburg, Mississippi.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is posthumously awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

FRANK A. WALDNER, 0516065, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Frauenberg, France. Lieutenant Waldner was leading a mine laying party to a front line position. Upon the approach to one of the enemy's dangerous fire lanes, he deployed his men and advanced alone to the center of the danger zone. When he motioned his platoon sergeant forward, the enemy sensing movement sent up a flare catching him and the platoon sergeant directly in the path of enemy fire. Casting aside his own motivations of self preservation, he pushed his platoon sergeant to the ground and was fatally wounded in the chest. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Waldner reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of Kin: Unknown.

III AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JEROME E. MORTON, 42009236, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hoffenbach, Germany. Corporal Morton, a mortar gunner, was



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setting up his gun when a heavy enemy artillery barrage was laid down on his position. Despite the enemy fire, and disregarding his own personal safety, he continued to set up his gun and opened fire on the objective of the company so effectively and accurately that the objective was taken with a minimum of casualties. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Morton reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

JESSIE C. MANGUM, SR., 34962768, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. The mortar platoon was in dug in positions when a counterattack started. Communications between the squads were cut off and Private First Class Mangum volunteered to transmit the fire orders by word of mouth to the other squad. He made four trips across an open field, which was exposed to enemy small arms and mortar fire, to relay these orders, which was instrumental in breaking up the strong counterattack. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Mangum reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Durham, North Carolina.

RUDOLPH R. REZATTO, 36830801, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Felperswieler, France. While approaching the area where the platoon was to lay mines, the platoon leader was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Technical Sergeant Rezatto took command of the platoon and reconnoitered the area, while it was under heavy mortar fire. After carefully working out a plan of approach, he continued with the mission and successfully completed laying the mines without the loss of another man. The initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant Rezatto reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Bossmer, Wisconsin.

ROBERT F. SUTHERLAND, 37751323, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ormsheim, Germany. When the platoon was attacking the town, one of the squad leaders was seriously wounded. Private First Class Sutherland, second scout, crawled thirty yards under intense enemy mortar fire to reach the wounded squad leader, and after administering first aid, pulled the wounded man to cover. After reaching comparative safety and was able to stand, he carried the wounded man to the aid station. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Sutherland reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Schuyler, Nebraska.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 613)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

QUINTOUS H. DAVIS, 38400185, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 February 1945, in the vicinity of Kleinschlatterdorf, Germany. The enemy infiltrated into the Command Post area and were inflicting casualties. Staff Sergeant Davis, upon learning of the situation, and armed with a rifle and grenade launcher, maneuvered in among the enemy and engaged in the fight. The effectiveness of his fire and his fire directions to other members of the company contributed greatly to the dispersion and eventual surrender of the enemy. The leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Davis reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

KENNETH G. JORGENSEN, 39919832, Technician Fourth Grade, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. Technician Fourth Grade Jorgensen, aid man, continuously exposed himself to heavy enemy small arms, mortar, and artillery fire to administer first aid to men wounded in the attack of the Siegfried Line. On one occasion, he improvised litters from captured enemy overcoats, and using the prisoners as litter bearers, successfully evacuated two seriously wounded men. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fourth Grade Jorgensen reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Idaho Falls, Idaho.

ROY M. LEWALLEN, 38608489, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken, Germany. The patrol, of which Staff Sergeant Lewallen was a member, encountered intense small arms fire from a well fortified enemy position. Without regard for his own safety, Sergeant Lewallen, armed with an automatic rifle and hand grenades, crawled forward and succeeded in neutralizing the enemy position. Later, when the patrol leader was seriously wounded, he moved forward under intense fire and carried the wounded man to safety, where he administered first aid. The bravery under fire and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Lewallen reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Modesto, California.

DAVID W. LLOYD, JR., 33888566, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. During the night and early morning, the enemy had infiltrated into town. Private First Class Lloyd, returning from a patrol, was fired on by an enemy machine gun. Observing the enemy gun in a house he, disregarding his own personal safety, worked from doorway to doorway until he got into position and, firing a rifle grenade, neutralized the enemy gun, killing one enemy and wounding two others. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First

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Class Lloyd reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

WORTHINGTON L. SMITH, 02007066, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bieusbrucken, Germany. A patrol led by Second Lieutenant Smith was trapped while on reconnaissance behind enemy lines. Knowing the importance of his mission, Lieutenant Smith deliberately moved away from the patrol while they withdrew. By moving close along the ground he maneuvered to a position from where he threw hand grenades neutralizing one enemy gun. He then crawled under fire for fifty yards and destroyed the second gun with grenades. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Smith reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from St. Albans, Vermont.

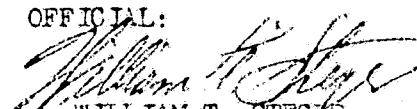
LEON E. TURNER, 34990922, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenberg, Germany. When his company was held up by intense enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Turner, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily left his unit and moved forward with his automatic rifle. The effective and concentrated fire that he delivered neutralized the enemy position and allowed the company to continue the attack. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Turner reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Waverly, Tennessee.

DARON P. VAUGHN, 38651232, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Feshingen, Germany. After the objective had been taken, Private First Class Vaughn was digging in at his assigned position. He observed an enemy patrol that had infiltrated to within twenty-five yards of his platoon's position. Although having no cover, he immediately opened fire on the patrol with such accuracy that he killed one enemy, wounded another, and forced the rest to withdraw. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Vaughn reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Loreauville, Louisiana.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

29 August 1945

By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WAYNE H. BATTY, 37639808, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ollersheim, Germany. Private First Class Batty, company messenger, while delivering a message to one of the platoons was wounded in the thigh by a shell fragment. Instead of going directly to the aid station, as suggested by an aid man, he helped to carry a litter case one hundred yards through enemy mortar and machine gun fire to a defiladed position. Although in severe pain from the wound, he carried one end of the litter an additional seven hundred yards to a point where both he and the litter case could be evacuated by jeep. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Batty reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas County, Missouri.

EDWARD L. CRAFT, 33756719, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ollersheim, Germany. Sergeant Craft machine gun squad leader, volunteered to serve as gunner on a two-man light machine gun assault team. His effective and accurate fire kept the apertures of the enemy pillbox closed and enabled the demolition team to go forward and neutralize the emplacement. The bravery and devotion to duty under fire displayed by Sergeant Craft reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR F. DISTEL, 42123919, Private, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hall, Germany. When the company encountered heavy enemy fire while clearing a wooded area, Private Distel, observing the location of the fire, crawled toward the enemy position. With his effective fire, he succeeded in forcing the enemy to withdraw, thus allowing the company to continue in its advance. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private Distel reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ellenville, New York.

CHARLES J. ERVIN, 33781652, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisbach, Germany. The kitchen personnel while bringing up food, suffered a direct hit which killed three and left another seriously wounded. Private First Class Ervin left the comparative safety of his fox hole and under an intense barrage, carried this wounded man to his hole and rendered first aid. He then summoned an aid man and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded man. His courageous ac-

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tion and devotion to duty reflect credit upon Private First Class Ervin and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FRANK KAULSKY, 36966331, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisbach, Germany. A patrol returning to our lines was held up by enemy automatic fire from a fixed position. Private First Class Kaulsky, noticing this action taking place, voluntarily left his place of cover and disregarding his own safety, walked towards the patrol, firing his sub-machine gun with such accuracy that he killed two of the enemy and forced the others to withdraw. The patrol then was able to come in with vital information concerning the enemy. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Kaulsky reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

EDWIN M. MUNGER, 35927853, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bleisbrucken, Germany. A nine man night patrol was given the mission of destroying an enemy mortar position that was delaying the company. After advancing across ground covered by artillery and mortar fire the patrol approached the position only to be met by small arms fire. Sergeant Munger then advanced alone under this heavy fire to a point from where he rushed forward to throw a hand grenade into the enemy mortar position, successfully neutralizing it. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Munger reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Westlake, Ohio.

BEN WEATHERLY, 38662482, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Bieringen, Germany. When the company was marching up a road on the outskirts of the town, they were fired on by enemy machine guns, forcing them to lie in the exposed road. Private First Class Weatherly abandoned a position of safety to fire white phosphorus grenades, thus laying a smoke screen between the enemy and the company. This act, which was done on his own initiative, enabled the company to withdraw to safety. He continued firing his grenades periodically and not until the last man reached safety did he leave his position. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Weatherly reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Searcy, Arkansas.

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GENERAL ORDERS

ORIGINAL ORDER -

NUMBER 615)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

VERNON HERWIG, 38561773, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. After clearing a section of town with the aid of supporting tanks, the company was held up by heavy machine gun fire from across a bridge. Private First Class Herwig volunteered to cross the bridge and clear the houses on the other side. Under cover of a base of fire, he dashed across the bridge and into the first house under intense machine gun fire. He cleared the houses and then covered the advance of the remainder of the platoon across the bridge. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Herwig reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Aguadulce, Texas.

ROBERT O. KORNS, 35070516, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Private First Class Korn, machine gunner, after exhausting his ammunition supply, on his own initiative crawled to within fifty yards of an enemy pill box and, under heavy enemy fire, to evacuate a wounded man. He made a similar trip twice more to aid in the evacuation of the wounded men. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Korn reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Coshocton Ohio.

ANTONE R. MEDDIROS, 31353144, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. While a member of an assault team was clearing houses, Private First Class Medeiros observed an enemy machine gun directly in the path of the advancing platoon. He rushed to an advantageous position and fired at the machine gunner, successfully killing him. At this time two enemy machine guns and four machine pistols opened fire forcing him to take cover. Calling for aid, he then directed the men to the position and their combined fire silenced the enemy guns. He personally accounted for the destruction of one machine gun and one machine pistol. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Medeiros reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

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EARL R. NICHOLS, 35071530, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 13 February 1945, in the vicinity of Blies River, France. While on a patrol that had passed through a five hundred yard mine area in open terrain, Private First Class Nichols volunteered to guard eleven prisoners and return to our lines with them. He escorted them to our lines and after turning them over, relieved the patrol. When the patrol was returning to friendly lines the patrol leader stepped on a mine and fell to the ground seriously wounded. Without thinking of his personal safety, Private First Class Nichols rushed into the mine field to the side of the fallen man and assisted in carrying him back to safety. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Nichols reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jackson, Ohio.

STANLEY SEIDEN, 32916394, Corporal (then Private First Class), Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlingen, Germany. When the armored car which he was following received a direct hit and was blocking the road, Corporal Seiden stopped his jeep and took cover. Noticing three wounded men being treated by an aid man, he, disregarding his personal safety, drove his jeep under heavy fire to where the wounded men were, and after putting them in his vehicle he took them to the Battalion Aid Station. He then returned to the area and led the column to a place where they reorganized and continued their mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Seiden reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Highland Park, New Jersey.

ROCCO F. STANGO, 35809998, Private First Class, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Fechingen, Germany. While manning a listening post in front of our lines, Private First Class Stango and three other soldiers heard an enemy patrol coming their way. He immediately crawled twenty-five yards to the right of the listening post, and disregarding his personal safety, opened fire on the patrol. His action, although bringing fire upon himself, diverted the attention of the patrol from the listening post, and the enemy knowing they were discovered, retreated. This courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon Private First Class Stango and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

**JUDSON R. ANGLE**, 25939, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945, in the vicinity of Eckartshausen, Germany. While advancing out of a woods, Staff Sergeant Angle, through vigilant observation, saw an enemy machine gun position about four hundred yards away. Directing his squad to lay down a base of fire, he worked his way towards the position and rushed it with assault fire, killing one of the crew, and taking the rest prisoners. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Angle reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Gastonia, North Carolina.

**LAWRENCE R. JOHNSON**, 31460293, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 March 1945, in the vicinity of Klinsblittersdorf, Germany. The enemy had moved in a machine gun and was directing fire at an Observation Post and other front line positions. Private First Class Johnson, disregarding his personal safety, crawled forward under intense enemy fire to an exposed position and located the enemy gun. Returning to the Observation Post, he forwarded the information to the artillery, and then with a telephone returned to successfully direct fire and neutralize the enemy position. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Johnson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

**EDWARD J. KELLY**, 32802684, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, 63d Infantry Division, then Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 25 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gunzburg, Germany. While a platoon was clearing the town, word was received that two enemy tanks were approaching. The order was given to take cover on the side streets, but Private First Class Kelly volunteered to hold his exposed position and fire rifle grenades at the tanks. He hit the lead tank, slowing it up, and firing the second time, scored a direct hit, causing the tank to turn back. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Kelly reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

**ERNEST W. KERR**, 34961298, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenberg, Germany. After his platoon leader was wounded Private First Class Kerr, on his own initiative, and without regard for his personal safety, crossed a heavily shelled area to secure aid for the wounded officer in charge, who had refused to leave his men and return to the aid station. Private First Class Kerr's action enabled the wounded officer to lead his men on to a successful attack. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Kerr reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Belton, South Carolina.



JOHN C. POTTS, 38657419, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gandental, Germany. To find all enemy positions around a road junction, it was necessary for Sergeant Potts to lead his reconnaissance patrol across three hundred yards of open terrain. By skillful maneuvering, he reached a point about seventy-five yards from the road junction, when they were fired on by an undetected enemy machine gun, which killed one of his men. Realizing that the men faced complete annihilation, he ordered them to withdraw, while he remained. By moving about and firing he attracted the enemy fire to himself, while his men withdrew, thus allowing the men to withdraw safely. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Potts reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Osyka, Mississippi.

ANDREW E. SCHNELLER, JR., 42105343, Sergeant (then Private First Class) Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement on 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Amerschweir, France. The patrol, of which Sergeant Schneller was Browning Automatic Rifleman, encountered fire from two enemy machine guns. Crawling daringly through thick vineyards and under intense fire, Sergeant Schneller placed effective and accurate automatic rifle fire upon the enemy positions, successfully neutralizing one position and causing the second to cease fire, enabling the safe completion of the patrol. The bravery and devotion to duty of Sergeant Schneller reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Mountainside, New Jersey.

VICTOR R. SPIRONELLO, 32843746, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945, in the vicinity of Auersmacher, Germany. When two platoons were cut off from the rest of the company and the platoon leaders were both wounded, Private First Class Spironello, sensing the danger of panic, immediately moved to the front of the position and began firing at the enemy. The rest of the men, inspired by his brave action, took up the fire fight and were able to neutralize the enemy counterattack. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Spironello reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

MAURICE E. SIDDEERS, 35240775, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wursbach, Germany. Private First Class Sidders observed an enemy dugout from which two machine guns firing on the company were holding up the advance. Without hesitation, he crawled forward through heavy artillery and small arms fire. When close enough, he threw a grenade into the position, killing its occupants and enabling the company to continue its advance. This heroic action reflects credit upon Private First Class Sidders and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Urbana, Ohio.

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Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

GENERAL ORDERS)

29 August 1945  
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ORIGINAL ORDER -

Award of the Silver Star (Posthumous).....  
Award of the Silver Star.....I  
Award of the Soldier's Medal.....II  
Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is Posthumously awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOSEPH PLACENTI, 42063621, Private, Infantry, Company "D", 254th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Koblungen, Germany. When his platoon leader was mortally wounded, Private Placenti, although under heavy enemy fire succeeded in bringing the wounded officer to safety. Before the wounded officer died from his wounds, Private Placenti learned of the approximate locations of the enemy machine gun. Without regard for his own safety, he made his way towards the enemy gun, and with two rifle grenades and rifle fire succeeded in killing the enemy gunner and two others. Observed in his moment, he was fatally wounded by an enemy sniper. The gallant action and outstanding devotion to duty of Private Placenti reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucille Placenti (Wife), 153 Chrystie Street, New York, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

MURICE ZINKER, 11086180, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gudingon, Germany. The company was preparing to dig in and hold a section of woods when they were counterattacked by enemy tanks supported by infantry. Although the tanks were firing directly into the woods with eighty-eights and machine guns, Private First Class Zinker remained at the edge of the woods and fired his automatic rifle at the infantry, killing and wounding several of the enemy. He remained in support of a bazooka team which damaged one tank. When one member of the bazooka team was wounded, he took his place until all the ammunition was expended. Then, under direct fire from the remaining tanks, he withdrew to the company carrying the wounded man with him. The gallantry in action displayed by Private First Class Zinker reflect credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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III. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

RICHARD PERRY, 15399695, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual contact with the enemy on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ascheshausen, Germany. Upon hearing an explosion in the rear of the company command post, Sergeant Perry immediately rushed to the scene and discovered that a trailer load of ammunition had exploded, seriously injuring two men. Picking his way through the area strewn with thermite grenades and despite the danger of exploding ammunition, he succeeded in carrying the two injured men to safety. Then, returning, he made several trips, removing the unexploded ammunition from the danger area. On his last trip he was seriously injured by an exploding phosphorus grenade. The heroism and outstanding courage displayed by Sergeant Perry reflect credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HOWARD R. HANSEN, 36874782, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fowler, Michigan.

ROBERT O. KROEGER, 37692989, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 10 to 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Davenport, Iowa.

V. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLARD F. BONNING, 33881984, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 18 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Sweet Valley, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLIAM S. BASSETT, 32925124, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissbach, Germany. Private First Class Bassett, with great personal risk, moved his machine gun forward of rifle positions, which were under intense artillery and small arms fire, to cover the withdrawal of a platoon that had been cut off. He continued to fire from this exposed position until every man had withdrawn or been removed, allowing the company to reform and continue its mission. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Bassett reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Westfield, New Jersey.

JOSEPH L. BORST, 36160470, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissbach, Germany. When his squad leader and gunner were wounded, Sergeant Borst, disregarding his personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire and fired the machine gun until it stopped due to mechanical failure. After applying immediate action and it still failed to operate, he continued firing on the enemy with his rifle, holding his position until they were repulsed. He then exposed himself to the heavy artillery fire to administer first aid to the wounded men. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Borst reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kent County, Michigan.

JOHN E. CUMMINGS, 32544756, Private, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Waldenberg, Germany. When his squad became separated from the rest of the Platoon because of heavy enemy fire, Private Cummings, a Browning Automatic Rifleman, with little regard to his own safety rushed to a position and gave supporting fire to his squad, allowing them to rejoin the platoon. Although wounded in this action, he killed or wounded six of the enemy. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private Cummings reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oswego, New York.

GEORGE DEVOR, 38662172, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Aachen, France. While returning from a patrol, Private First Class Devor was fired upon by an enemy machine gun. Moving around the flank, after locating the enemy gun, and despite enemy tank fire which he encountered, he continued on his self-made mission, destroying the enemy machine gun. After reaching an advantageous position, he succeeded in destroying the enemy gun with a rifle grenade, killing one of the enemy and seriously wounding two others. The bravery and aggressiveness displayed by Private First Class Devor reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Blue Field, Virginia.

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**FRED F. NICHOLSON**, 39599446, Private, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Bensheim, Germany. While in the attack, the platoon was held up by heavy artillery and small arms fire. Private Nicholson, unmindful of his own safety, worked his way forward to a good observation point, and laid down a base of fire which enabled the platoon to withdraw and reorganize. Although wounded, he exposed himself to this barrage and helped in the evacuation of other wounded men. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Nicholson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

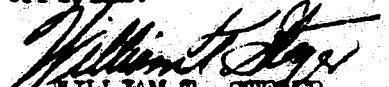
**WALTER P. SEWERYNIAK**, 42093733, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bensheim, Germany. When the company encountered heavy fire from enemy pillboxes several casualties resulted. Sergeant Seweryniak, with little regard for his own safety, crawled forward with the aid of another man and succeeded in neutralizing the key weapons of the pillbox. This action enabled the assault squad to move forward and destroy the enemy fortification. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Seweryniak reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Alden, New York.

**PATRICK SWIFT**, 33928791, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken Woods, France. During a strong enemy counterattack, Private First Class Swift observed a fellow soldier caught in a barbed wire entanglement. Not thinking of his own safety, he crawled through an exposed area to reach the helpless man. Although wounded himself, he continued on and released the entangled man from his perilous position and guided him to safety. The outstanding courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Swift reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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NUMBER 619) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

EUGENE V. N. BLADEN, 31450069, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 3 to 8 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubinge, Germany. Entered military service from Chatham, Massachusetts.

FLOYD W. DANIELS, 38433132, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 20 April 1945 in the vicinity of Sulzdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

EDSON C. DODGE, JR., 32956545, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 3 to 12 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bellingen, Germany. Entered military service from Lewis, Delaware.

WILLIAM I. FARMER, 14203037, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 20 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lindenhof, Germany. Entered military service from Carolina Beach, North Carolina.

JOSEPH F. KELLY, 33338243, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 10 February 1945, in the vicinity of Sarriensuing, France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

DENNIS KILBRIDE, 31176666, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany. Entered military service from Berlin, New Hampshire.

JOSEPH T. LESZUK, 42010528, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. Entered military service from Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

WILLIAM E. LINKLATER, 42008038, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 2 February 1945, in the vicinity of Luersbacher, Germany. Entered military service from Englewood, New Jersey.

ELMER S. MINNICH, 35019639, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Entered military service from Swanton, Ohio.

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JAMES P. MURPHY, 21460156, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Barre, Vermont.

JAMES RATHBURN, 34898592, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 1 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Vixon, North Carolina.

DONALD SCHMIDT, 34706273, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Aachen, France. Entered military service from Clarendon, Illinois.

CARL A. SCHMITT, 32351384, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesranbach, Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

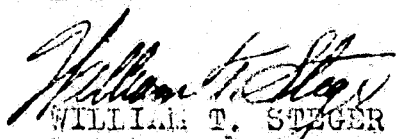
DANIEL L. STRICKLAND, 34202606, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 30 March 1945, in the vicinity of Handschuhshain, Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

FRANK T. TALLEY, 35847862, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 1 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshein, Germany. Entered military service from Shepherdstown, West Virginia.

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29 August 1945

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 800-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

✓ VERBLE L. FLATT, 34950865, Private First Class Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wilton, Germany. When the platoon had been surprised by an enemy attack, Private First Class Flatt was wounded. Although suffering greatly from his wound, he remained in his position and continued to deliver fire on the enemy, while the rear elements of his platoon maneuvered to counterattack. His efforts greatly aided the success of the counterattack that forced the enemy to withdraw. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Flatt reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Gainsboro, Tennessee.

✓ THEODORE L. PAQUA, 32508435, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Berlichingen, Germany. In an advance the company and its supporting machine guns were suddenly held up by a heavy concentration of small arms fire. An ammunition bearer was seriously wounded, and fell in an exposed position where efforts to reach him were unsuccessful. With disregard for his own safety, Private Paqua, aid man, rushed from his position to the wounded man. He removed the heavy packboard of ammunition the man was carrying and carried him to a defiladed position where he dressed his wounds. This deed was accomplished under heavy and continuous shell fire. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Paqua reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from White Plains, New York.

✓ HENRY SMITH, 12045970, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Petit Rodorsching, France. The company was in a defensive position and were receiving constant enemy artillery and mortar fire. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Smith left the protection of his foxhole and advanced to a position that facilitated clearer observation of enemy installations. He proceeded to give the range and azimuth of the positions, which was phoned back to our artillery. In this action he was seriously wounded and had to be evacuated before the silencing of the enemy positions could be effected. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Smith reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Alder Creek, New York.

✓ GERALD B. STEINMEYER, 36817433, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Buchhof, Germany. As the machine gun section was moving up to give support to the riflemen, they received heavy fire from



enemy rifleman. Private First Class Stegomeyer immediately set up his gun and with accurate fire killed or wounded eight of the enemy and repelled the remainder. Although the squad was disorganized, he again moved up and was confronted by direct fire from an enemy 20mm gun. He again set his gun up and neutralized the enemy guns killing all of its crew. This heroic act reflects credit upon Private First Class Stegomeyer and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Sheboygan, Wisconsin.


✓ CHARLES WALTERS, 33875100, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 22 April 1945, in the vicinity of Loimbach, Germany. When his squad was held up by three enemy armed with machine pistols, Private First Class Walters made a flanking move and covered them. When they refused to surrender, he stood up and fired at them, killing two and wounding the third. He then brought the wounded enemy to the interrogator and was able to secure enough information that enabled the company to attack and hold the woods with but a single casualty. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Walters reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Milton, Pennsylvania.

✓ BERNIE R. WENTWORTH, 20820942, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Untergroisheim, Germany. During a strong enemy counterattack the squad leader and his assistant were killed, and Staff Sergeant Wentworth, the platoon guide, took command of the squad. As the attacks increased in violence, the automatic rifleman and his assistant were killed. Sergeant Wentworth then ran across forty yards of terrain covered with enemy machine gun and mortar fire to reach the automatic rifle position. Firing the weapon, he inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and aided greatly in repulsing the enemy attack. The heroism and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Wentworth reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

✓ LAWRENCE WECKSTEIN, 42179137, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, in the vicinity of Klienbittersdorf, Germany. When the platoon was held up by machine pistol fire, Private First Class Weckstein took it upon himself to locate and eliminate the menace. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, he moved forward in a series of short rushes, covering over one hundred fifty yards of ground. When within grenade throwing distance of the enemy he was under heavy enemy small arms fire, but undaunted by this new threat he continued on until he had thrown two grenades and neutralized the enemy position. Later, he repeated his brave performance and succeeded in eliminating an enemy machine gun position. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Weckstein reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Garden, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

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WILLIAM T. STEGOMEYER  
1st Lt, A. G.  
Asst Adjutant General

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

29 August 1945

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- Award of the Silver Star.....I
- Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....II
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....III
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ANGELO P. VENETO, 31140603, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Emslingen, Germany. During a night attack, Sergeant Veneto's company was held up by intense machine gun fire. Taking two men from his squad, he crawled forward to eliminate the machine gun. They kept going through an enemy artillery barrage until one of his men was killed and the other wounded. Undaunted by this sudden change, he continued forward alone. As he approached the enemy machine gun, he was observed and fired upon. Crawling within grenade throwing distance, he threw two grenades, scoring direct hits and destroying the machine gun position. With this menace removed, the company was able to move forward and take its objective. The gallantry and outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Veneto reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

II. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ARTHUR WIITA, 02005956, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwabish Hall, Germany. When his platoon was ambushed by the enemy, they became disorganized. Lieutenant Wiita quickly, and disregarding his own safety, reorganized his men. He instructed one squad to set down a base of fire and took two men with him around the flank. As they neared the position, he ordered the two men to fire on it, and working forward, he neutralized the position with hand grenades. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Wiita reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Superior, Wisconsin.

LEONARD A. RAPPAPORT, 32652182, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 10 to 16 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissbach, Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

LAZLO FLEISHER, 31466556, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. During an enemy counterattack, Private First Class Fleisher, finding himself cut off from the company, began an aggressive reconnaissance of the enemy. Though subject to tank, rifle and machine gun fire and finding himself surrounded, he quickly took cover and firing his rifle, killed three of the enemy. Making his way to the command post, he reported to the commanding officer, giving information that was vital to the success of the company's counterattack. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Fleisher reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

THOMAS A. DALTON, 02006249, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Balzfeld, Germany. Entered military service from Oceanside, New York.

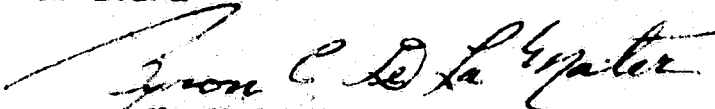
IV. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

GERALD L. BROWN, 31458524, Private, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraunburg, Germany. When Private Brown, a rifleman, was on an outpost, the enemy was continually laying down heavy mortar and artillery barrages. When his relief came, a shell landed a short distance from him and wounded another soldier. He rushed to the aid of the wounded man and carried him to safety, although himself wounded while on this errand of mercy. The heroism and devotion to duty displayed by Private Brown reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Groton, Vermont.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
BYRON C. DE LA MATER  
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.  
Adjutant General

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Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.... I  
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I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -  
 By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

EMIL L. SAHA, 38053901, Corporal, Infantry, Company "B", 753d Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weinau, Germany. Having suffered two direct hits on his tank, Corporal Saha and other crew members were forced to abandon it. While moving away from the tank, he saw the commander collapse and immediately went to his aid. Corporal Saha and two crew members carried the wounded man across an open field for five hundred yards under enemy artillery and small arms fire to a comparative place of safety where they arranged for his immediate evacuation. The courage and initiative displayed by Corporal Saha reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Sealy, Texas.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN E. ABEL, 37052511, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 27 January 1945, in the vicinity of Jeshheim, France. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

TONY W. KAUFMANN, 37692909, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Alhausen, Germany. Entered military service from Mystic, Iowa.

HERMAN J. KELLERMAN, 42069020, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 25 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenberg, Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

JOHN F. BOVEY, 31196415, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945. Entered military service from Stamford, Connecticut.

HERMAN BUCKER, 38931726, Corporal, Infantry, Company "B", 753d Tank Battalion, for meritorious achievement in action on 19 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weinau, Germany. Entered military service from Sealy, Texas.

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1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany.  
Entered military service from New York, New York.

GEORGE COHEN, 11115357, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H",  
255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 February  
1945 to 11 March 1945, in France and Germany.  
Entered military service from New York, New York.

CHARLES C. DI CAROLIS, 3227022, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from  
22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered  
military service from Hackensack, New Jersey.

JOHN G. HENRY, 32533435, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon  
Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious  
service from 22 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.  
Entered military service from St. Albans, New York.

ALLI P. JONES, JR., 36925675, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious serv-  
ice from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany.  
Entered military service from Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

STEPHEN A. MURPHY, 35727087, Technician Third Grade, Ordnance,  
763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945  
to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service  
from Banc City, Missouri.

VICTOR J. MEINERDSE, 32681738, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from  
22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered  
military service from New York, New York.

RICHARD F. O'LEARY, JR., 42126272, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from  
22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered  
military service from New York, New York.

EMMER C. STOEGER, 6861216, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry,  
Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from  
22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered  
military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -- RESCISSION OF AWARD - So much  
of General Order Number 383, this Headquarters, dated 17 July 1945,  
as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to EMIL L. SAHA,  
38053901, Corporal, Infantry, Company "B", 753d Tank Battalion, is  
rescinded. (See Section 1).

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

1st Lt George A. ...

HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS)

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NUMBER 323) BATTLE HONORS - CITATION OF UNIT

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 553, War Department, 1943, the following named organization is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action:

THE THIRD BATTALION, 250TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, 63d Infantry Division is cited for outstanding accomplishment in combat during the period 0400 hours, 18 March to 1400 hours, 20 March 1945, near Linsheim, Germany, in making the initial breach of the Siegfried Line. In the first phase of its four day battle the Third Battalion struck with such speed and determination that the enemy was driven from their reinforced concrete pillboxes by assaulting elements who completely disregarded the torrent of fire poured at them by the defenders. The difficult task of the unit had only begun, however, when they took this emplacement-studded knoll; to hold it at all costs was the order. The enemy realized that the position the Third Battalion held meant almost certain smashing of the Siegfried Line; the Germans were determined to recapture their pillboxes. For three more days and nights the Battalion was ceaselessly shelled by all enemy artillery available. Counterattacks were made, thrown back, and made again. Tenaciously, grimly the unit held; at times it seemed as if there were no hope of retaining the ground they had gained. Nevertheless, as each day passed and the attacks became more bitter, more ferocious, the determination of the men in the Third Battalion increased. They would not give ground. At last, on 20 March, largely due to the number of men the Third Battalion kept occupied, other elements of the regiment, inspired by the great display of courage shown by the members of the Third Battalion, broke through the Siegfried Line, unleashing the armor into the Rhine Valley.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Byron G. De La Mater  
BYRON G. DE LA MATER  
Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.  
Adjutant General

WILLIAM C. WEBSTER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ANGELO F. DIGENNI, 42190439, Private First Class, then Private, Infantry, Company "F", 235th Infantry Regiment; for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Private First Class DiGenni, on his own initiative, and disregarding his personal safety, left his place of cover and advanced over open terrain under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, and evacuated two wounded men. After carrying one to safety, he returned for the other and successfully brought him to safety. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class DiGenni reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

JOHN J. HEGYES, 42010448, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshelm, Germany. As Sergeant Hegyes was leading his squad in the attack on the Siegfried Line, they encountered intense enemy fire, inflicting many casualties. Deploying his squad to cover him with their fire, he proceeded under the heavy fire to aid a seriously wounded man. Then, carrying the wounded man to safety, he administered first aid and saw to his evacuation. Sergeant Hegyes' heroic action saved the life of the wounded comrade and reflects credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

NEVIN L. MCCARTNEY, 0558781, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "E", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945 in the vicinity of Fecklangen, Germany. The company made three attempts to infiltrate through the enemy positions but all were stopped by heavy fire and a dense mine field that caused numerous casualties. Second Lieutenant McCartney moved through the heavy machine gun fire and aided the withdrawal of three wounded men. Then, under heavy fire, he went forward and neutralized a path through the mine field, enabling the remainder of the company to get through and assault and destroy the enemy positions. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant McCartney reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jameson, Missouri.

PAUL A. MOISA, 39038664, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rublingen, Germany. While manning an outpost, Private First Class Moisa, with another soldier, observed an enemy force of fifty men infiltrating through the company position. Without regard for his personal safety, he crawled forward in full view of the enemy to an advantageous position. Although aware of the danger to himself, he engaged the enemy force. His effective and accurate fire gave sufficient time for the other soldier to return to the command post and alert the company. Private First Class Moisa.

remained in his position firing at the enemy until the company had moved up and repelled the enemy force. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Moisa reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

RICHARD J. SWEET, 31320490, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. When his platoon was held up by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Sweet crawled up to his forward scout and by moving one man at a time, while they covered each other, brought the platoon forward two hundred and fifty yards under intense fire. Then he maneuvered to a position from which he threw a hand grenade and rushed the position, killing three of the enemy and neutralizing the enemy position. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Sweet reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Portland, Maine.

RALPH S. TANCORDO, 42187427, Private First Class, then Private, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Widdern, Germany. Private First Class Tancordo, first scout of his squad, surprised an enemy rifle group which was guarding the flank of a machine gun. Immediately opening fire on them, he succeeded in killing one of the enemy. His fire drew fire from the enemy machine gun and although wounded, he observed the position of the enemy gun and crawled back to his platoon. He then gave the platoon the position of the machine gun and it was subsequently neutralized. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Tancordo reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Irvington, New Jersey.

WILLARD F. TEMPLETON, 34738444, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Westerhausen, Germany. Sergeant Templeton, squad leader of a machine gun squad, noticing that the attacking rifle company was held up by heavy enemy fire, crawled forward to an exposed position to locate the enemy guns. Although wounded, he set up his gun so that he could deliver effective fire on the enemy positions, allowing the men from the rifle companies to attack the enemy strong point. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Templeton reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Byron C. De La Mater*  
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Lt Colonel, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General



29 August 1945

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

LAWRENCE DOMENICI, 38352984, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Private First Class Domenici continuously exposed himself to heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire to repair communication lines which were constantly being broken by enemy action. Although he found it necessary to work lying down and creeping and crawling, he continued to carry out the repairs so necessary to the successful operation of his mortar section. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Domenici reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

JAMES E. KELLY, 33794868, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 24 January 1945, in the vicinity of Jebshel, France. When the platoon leader was seriously wounded, Sergeant Kelly, despite intense enemy fire, crawled to the aid of the wounded officer. After administering first aid, he carried him to a place of safety. Then taking charge of the platoon, he successfully led an attack on enemy positions, capturing three enemy pill boxes, materially aiding in killing eight of the enemy, and capturing six. Sergeant Kelly's leadership and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR LACHMAN, 42019249, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubigen, Germany. Under harassing mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant Lachman and two other men were sent out to rescue three men wounded in a mine field. After deciding that a mine detector would be too slow a process, he proceeded forward, probing with trench knives, and aided in removing fifty-six mines, successfully breaching a path through the mine field and rescuing the wounded men. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Lachman reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

LESTER L. LARSEN, 20722349, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubigen, Germany. Under harassing mortar and artillery fire, Private First Class Larsen and two other men were sent out to rescue three men wounded in a mine field. After deciding that a mine detector would

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be too slow a process, he proceeded forward, probing with trench knives, and aided in removing fifty-six mines, successfully breaching a path through the mine field and rescuing the wounded men. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Larsen reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Broken Bow, Nebraska.

LEO MIKULSKIS, 36971573, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubigen, Germany. Under harassing mortar and artillery fire, Private First Class Mikulskis and two other men were sent out to rescue three men wounded in a mine field. After deciding that a mine detector would be too slow a process, he proceeded forward, probing with trench knives, and aided in removing fifty-six mines, successfully breaching a path through the mine field and rescuing the wounded men. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Mikulskis reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Guster, Michigan.

WALTER I. MORSE, 18118429, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 253 Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945 in the vicinity of Heidelberg, Germany. While clearing the town of snipers, the company received heavy small arms and machine gun fire. Sergeant Morse, disregarding his own safety, continued to advance under this heavy fire and reached a point from where he could fire at the enemy, effectively silencing their fire and allowing the company to continue their advance and successfully accomplish their mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Morse reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Beaumont, Texas.

WALTER W. THOMPSON, JR., 13177856, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 April 1945 in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. Private First Class Thompson, a forward observer, mortar platoon, was with the leading elements of the rifle company when they were held up by enemy fire. Disregarding his own personal safety, he crawled forward to an exposed position and under heavy enemy fire successfully directed the fire of his mortars to destroy the enemy positions and allow the company to continue their advance. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Thompson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

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*1st Lt. J. S. [unclear]*  
*Major [unclear]*

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By action of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HOWARD P. DAVIS, 37625464, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Disregarding his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy small arms fire, Sergeant Davis probed a path into a mine field and removed a wounded man from the mined area to safety and then administered first aid. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Davis reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wellston, Missouri.

MAXEY B. DENSFORD, 35812733, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Westernhausen, Germany. When the motorized patrol had stopped and the leader of the patrol was on a foot reconnaissance, he was fired on by the enemy from concealed positions. Private First Class Densford manned the fifty caliber machine gun and returned their fire. Although he was wounded twice by small arms fire, he remained at his position and continued to fire until the vehicle was set afire by enemy fire. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Densford reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jefferson, Indiana.

ROBERT T. FERGUSON, JR., 34890227, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Michelbach, Germany. Sergeant Ferguson, a forward observer, mortar platoon, was with the leading elements of the rifle company when they were held up by enemy machine gun fire. Disregarding his own personal safety, he crawled across open ground under heavy fire to a man equipped with a radio and directed mortar fire on the enemy machine gun, successfully eliminating the enemy gun and allowing the company to continue their advance. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Ferguson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Charlotte, North Carolina.

THOMAS JOLLY, 42102744, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. When his platoon was held up in their advance, Private First Class Jolly, disregarding his own personal safety, jumped to his feet and firing his automatic weapon, advanced on the enemy to silence their fire. This brave action of Private First Class Jolly allowed his platoon to continue forward and neutralize the enemy positions. Although

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slightly wounded in this action, he refused treatment until the position was secured. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Jolly reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jamesburg, New Jersey.

JOHN J. O'KEEFE, 32705767, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 63 Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 14 March 1945, in the vicinity of Biesenger, Germany. While acting as liaison agent between division and regiment, Technician Fifth Grade O'Keefe, upon seeing that there was no one to evacuate the wounded, took a vehicle and without regard for his personal safety drove through heavy enemy fire to bring back litters for the wounded. Technician Fifth Grade O'Keefe's courage and devotion to duty enabled the wounded to receive medical attention and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

MELVIN L. PARR, 6292354, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H" 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. Although an enemy counterattack had overrun the company command post, Sergeant Parr remained at the command post, notifying the battalion command post of the approach of the enemy. Because communication was intact, he refused to withdraw, even though under direct fire from enemy tanks and continued to send back information to battalion. When the command post received two direct hits which destroyed the communication system, he organized the command post group and led them through intense fire to the battalion, where he commenced the organization of the company. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Parr reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wichita Falls, Texas.

JOSEPH A. SYKORA, 37574012, Private, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. When one of the men from the company was wounded by enemy Panzerfaust fire, Private Sykora left his position of safety to go to the aid of the wounded man. After digging the wounded man from the slit trench, he carried him to a place of safety, where medical aid was administered. Later upon learning that ammunition was needed by the machine gun squad, he dashed across an open field under enemy fire to the nearby tanks and acquired the ammunition, successfully delivering it to the machine gun position. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Sykora reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Owatonna, Minnesota.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 628)

ORIGINAL ORDER # 317

- Award of the Silver Star..... I
- Award of the Soldier's Medal..... II
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal..... III
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... IV

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOSEPH PAEZ, 20624404, Staff Sergeant, then Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 11 January 1945, in the vicinity of Petit Rederching, France. When Sergeant Paez received word that three of his men had been wounded by heavy enemy artillery fire and were buried in a foxhole, he started out to find them. Under a heavy artillery and mortar barrage, he moved across two hundred and fifty yards of open terrain to their foxhole. Digging with a shovel and his hands, he dug a large enough hole to crawl in and help out the wounded men and administer first aid. One of the men was so seriously wounded that he had to carry him back to the Command Post some one thousand yards away. The gallantry and outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Paez reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Winslow, Washington.

II. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLIAM J. CHENEY, 32968941, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual contact with the enemy on 10 June 1945, in the vicinity of Reicholzshoim, Germany. On the afternoon of 10 June 1945 two members of Antitank Company were boating on the Tauber River, while Private First Class Cheney was on the bank of the river watching them. The boat in which the men were was made from an auxiliary gas tank of an airplane. The two men were wedged in the small opening of the boat. Suddenly the boat was caught in the swift current of the river and overturned, pinning both men underneath the boat. The manner in which the men were wedged into the boat made it impossible for them to extricate themselves. They were battling grave danger. Without hesitation and with complete disregard for his personal safety, realizing their predicament, Private First Class Cheney jumped into the river and went to their rescue. When he reached the scene, both were battling furiously with the current. Struggling against the current, Private First Class Cheney was finally successful in prying the men loose from the boat. Then with each of them clinging to the overturned boat, he guided them to quieter waters and then to safety. This is particularly an outstanding achievement for Private First Class Cheney, who is not adept as a swimmer. The courage displayed by Private First Class Cheney in this act reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

DANIEL M. LOOMIS, 02006198, Second Lieutenant, Infantry Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Esenheim, Germany. When the company was advancing in the attack, they were held up by machine pistol fire from the flank. Lieutenant Loomis, realizing that the enemy gun must be silenced, expertly maneuvered his men into position by creeping and crawling. Then, personally leading a group, he successfully neutralized the enemy gun by leading his group close enough so that hand grenades could be thrown into the enemy position. The leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Loomis reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Bigsaw, Arkansas.

IV. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HENRY V. THOMAS, 35058125, Technician Grade Five, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Reichershausen, Germany. While pointing out enemy positions to the artillery forward observer, the enemy opened fire on them wounding the observer. Technician Grade Five Thomas carried the wounded man to cover over open terrain in the enemy's field of fire. He then dashed across the same ground to an armored car, and operating the guns of the armored car he diverted the enemy's fire, enabling the aid man to successfully evacuate the wounded man. The heroic action and devotion to duty of Technician Grade Five Thomas reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

ROBERT W. HALLS, 39564757, Technician Third Grade, Ordnance, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from El Monte, California.

JAMES J. ROSE, 31074186, Technician Grade Four, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 14 January 1945, to 21 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clinton, Massachusetts.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 100-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ALEXANDER DI PESA, 6139646, First Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 9 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East Boston, Massachusetts.

JAMES J. GORMAN, 32616665, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

NATHAN GUTTMAN, 32999989, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

LESLIE A. HANSON, 4201017, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 28 April 1945. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

FRANCIS J. HENRY, 32999134, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 8 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

WILLIAM A. HOOD, 34393980, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 8 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gadsden, Alabama.

RAY KIRKLAND, 39421715, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 14 March 1945 to 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hanford, California.

ROBERT M. MARKER, 35235687, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Canton, Ohio.

THOMAS J. MC CARTHY, 36685409, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service from 1 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East St. Louis, Illinois.

ROBERT G. MC COURT, 37340739, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

HENRY E. NOLAN, 20624400, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bremerton, Washington.

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DANIEL PARRY, 33609934, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Larksville, Pennsylvania.

CECIL MATTERSON, 14016050, First Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Moss Point, Mississippi.

EDWIN B. RASMUSSEN, 37692894, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 8 January 1945 to 28 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

ZALMON VENETSKY, 42009249, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

RICHARD F. WEST, 20620444, Corporal, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CLYDE E. WISENBURG, 6829763, Technician Fifth Grade, Ordnance, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rock Island, Illinois.

FRANK J. ZISO, 36874598, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 March 1945 to 21 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

ORIGINAL ORDER -

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 70-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

RUSSELL S. HUBBARD, JR., 15129688, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisbach, Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FRANK J. LANZETTI, 42008380, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 7 January 1945 to 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottveiller, France. Entered military service from Hoboken, New Jersey.

JOSEPH F. MEOLA, JR., 32999210, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company "B", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious achievement on 19 February 1945, in the vicinity of Klienblittersdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

GEORGE SONZONI, 31413631, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. Entered military service from Guilford Court, Massachusetts.

JOHN A. CHEKATIS, 20624311, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

EDWARD N. COLASANTO, 31355047, Corporal, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Haddam, Connecticut.

ROLAND G. GIOIA, 32573355, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Union City, New Jersey.

MARSHALL G. JENNINGS, 33663109, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 29 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pries, Virginia.

JOSEPH J. JOHNSON, 35052376, Technician Third Grade, Ordnance, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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WALTER J. MC DILL, 14005860, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

ROBERT E. SAYLES, 39468872, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yakima, Washington.

IRVIN SCHLOCKER, 55797898, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 23 January 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT STRULFF, 42050197, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Valhalla, New York.

WILLIAM G. SWEENEY, 6711156, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineer Company "A", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 9 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

JOSEPH G. SWINEHART, 36735921, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Company "I", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Neoga, Illinois.

EARLE WEBB, 33798019, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JAMES ZOZZARO, 32569615, Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "D", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 6 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Paterson, New Jersey.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HOWARD B. CANNADAY, 33655962, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 563d Signal Company, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Roanoke Virginia.

THURSTON G. CHANDLER, 14130602, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sulligent, Alabama.

HOWARD E. COLLIER, 35135851, Technical Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, Headquarters, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 3 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Iager, West Virginia.

JOHN R. COMEAU, 31431056, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lewiston, Maine.

CHESTER E. HELM, 39469671, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

NATHANIEL SCHWARTZ, 12124566, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

THEODORE KATSAVOS, 32540162, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RODNEY KIMBERLEY, 31350341, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from January 1945 to 7 March 1945, in France. Entered military service from Griswoldville, Massachusetts.

JESS E. LEWIS, 39707432, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 13 March 1945, in the vicinity of Sarriensming, France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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CLIFFORD E. PAGANO, 01172207, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mt. Vernon, New York.

BASIL J. REITZER, 36903630, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT D. RUDDEN, 31459888, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

SAMUEL C. WALLER, 0388040, Captain, Ordnance, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 January 1945 to 6 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Augusta, Georgia.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ARTHUR F. BUNDLER, 33700189, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH BRUSH, 37019705, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Gros Roderching, France. Entered military service from Amboy, Minnesota.

JOSEPH KOVACS, 31460228, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, German. Entered military service from Danbury, Connecticut.

FRANK J. LAZZARA, 32998426, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

CHARLES LIFINSKI, 33615063, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg Germany. Entered military service from Nanticoke, Pennsylvania.

ROY D. MC CONNELL, 35236169, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, German. Entered military service from Kilgore, Ohio.

JOSEPH MOSKO, 13040303, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwabisch Hall, Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FREDERICK L. BRÖSS, JR., 12160966, Technician Fourth Grade, Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

ROBERT W. ORLE, 39718683, Technician Fifth Grade, Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in

France and Germany. Entered military service from Upland, California.

WILLIAM DANHEFELZER, 59235358, Master Sergeant, Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Santa Monica, California.

JOHN W. DARGIS, 32492383, Technician Fifth Grade, Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kearny, New Jersey.

GERALD A. HANSEN, 20625370, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

DAVID L. G. LOCKE, 33700709, Technician Fourth Grade, Engineer Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Monaca, Pennsylvania.

HAROLD R. MARCELLUS, 52850344, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 7 February 1945 to 17 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oneonta, New York.

ANTHONY N. MOTTOLA, 32997638, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tuxedo Park, New York.


MURICE D. PORTMAN, 55937644, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

ERNEST E. WARD, 32370807, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lake George, New York.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 333)

- Award of the Soldier's Medal..... I
- Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal..... II
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal..... III
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... IV

I. AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ALBERT J. BOVA, 12425009, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual contact with the enemy on 22 July 1943, in the vicinity of Worthheim, Germany. A child, while swimming in the Main River, which was unusually rough as a result of high winds, was swept into deep water when she was noticed by Technician Bova. Disregarding the rocks that line the banks and dot the river bed at this point, Technician Fifth Grade Bova unhesitatingly went to her assistance. After the girl had gone down for the second time he reached her in approximately ten feet of water and twenty-five yards from shore. Reaching the shore with the unconscious girl he immediately applied artificial respiration and revived the child. The heroism displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Bova reflects credit upon himself and is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

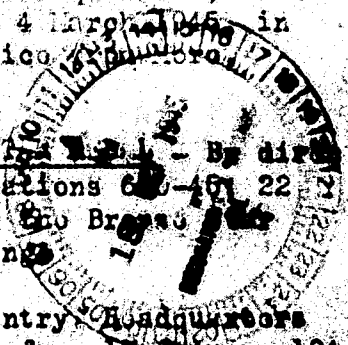
II. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

GORDON O. FRASER, 025364, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement on 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

III. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

NOE I. MAZZINO, 36874524, Technician Grade Five, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1944 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Battle Creek, Michigan.

HORACE D. POWERS, 36846352, Private First Class, then Private, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Jefferson, Wisconsin.



THOMAS W. SHEEHY, 01546376, Captain, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters, 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

IV. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

LUIS MACCOCCO, 36685765, Private Medical Department, Company "A", 363d Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 12 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Private Maccocco volunteered as a member of a four man litter squad to reach and evacuate the wounded. Although the route of approach was under heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire, he continued to move forward until he reached the wounded men. After administering first aid, he returned with them to where they could be evacuated to safety. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private Maccocco reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Cherry, Illinois.

MARDELL L. POE, 35242592, Sergeant, then Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 February 1945, in the vicinity of Blasbrucken Woods, France. During an attack, Sergeant Poe assumed command of his machine gun squad after his squad leader had been killed. Although under heavy small arms and mortar fire, he continued to move his position until he could obtain the most effective fire. When ordered to withdraw, he remained and continued to fire. Only when the last man had reached a position of safety did he displace his gun. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Poe reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Terre Haute, Indiana.

MELVILLE J. CARPENTER, 39718618, Technician Fifth Grade, Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

ROBERT G. HALEY, 33797646, Technician Grade Five, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

30 August 1945

NUMBER 634)

ORIGINAL ORDER

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

NEVIN L. MC CARTNEY, 0558781, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "D", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. When his platoon encountered heavy enemy fire from strongly emplaced enemy, causing many casualties, Lieutenant McCartney, platoon leader, exposed himself to the enemy fire to reorganize the remainder of the platoon and maneuver it fifty yards through the enemy defenses. Throwing hand grenades with great effect, the enemy was compelled to withdraw. Later when the enemy counterattacked, he crawled under intense fire to a vantage point and with captured enemy grenades and equipment, inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy, successfully repelling the counterattack and permitting his platoon to prepare hasty defenses. The leadership and aggressiveness displayed by Lieutenant McCartney reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jameson, Missouri.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

MOSE C. COLWELL, 35843636, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hartungshof, Germany. After having been wounded and on his way to the aid station, Private First Class Colwell observed an enemy group working their way behind one of the platoons. Armed only with a captured enemy pistol, he forced all but one of the enemy to flee. The remaining enemy turned a machine pistol on him as he steadily advanced. Despite the wound from the enemy fire, he fired his pistol, wounding the enemy and causing him to withdraw, abandoning his machine pistol. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Colwell reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Toulouse, Kentucky.

RAYMOND B. KEENER, 38569408, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Steinbachle, Germany. When the ammunition supply became low, Sergeant Keener sent three men back for more. The men were forced to leave their heavy load due

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to heavy enemy fire. Sergeant Keener, disregarding his own personal safety, crawled one hundred yards under heavy enemy machine gun fire to secure this abandoned ammunition and return with it to the guns. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Keener reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Boswell, Oklahoma.

JOHN A. VOLK, 36978155, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hockmuhl, Germany. When his squad was held up by enemy fire coming from houses on the edge of town, Private First Class Volk, disregarding his own safety, ran alone to the nearest house through heavy enemy fire. From there he directed the fire of his squad on the enemy positions, neutralizing them and allowing his squad and company to move forward and accomplish their mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Volk reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ARTHUR A. WATSON, 37638237, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Holbach, France. While the gun squad was sleeping, Private First Class Watson was alone on his post in front of the gun position. Suddenly shadows appeared, waiting he allowed them to approach until he had discerned that it was an enemy thirty-man combat patrol. He allowed them to come to about fifty yards in front of him; then he opened fire, placing such a terrific base of fire that the enemy fled after exchanging a few shots. By exposing himself and confronting the enemy alone he averted them from capturing or killing the other members of his squad. The heroism and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Watson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Laclede County, Missouri.

JOHN WILKERSON, 34966838, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. When the enemy counterattack had forced his squad to withdraw to new position Private First Class Wilkerson noticed a wounded man. Disregarding his personal safety, he exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to administer first aid and carry the wounded man to a position of safety. He then returned to his squad to help repel the counterattack. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Wilkerson in accomplishing this act of mercy reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Dillon, South Carolina.

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OFFICIAL:

BYRON C. DE WINTER  
Lt. Colonel, G. S. C.  
Adjutant General

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Award of the Silver Star.....  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... II

I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

LEROY A. MEIER, 17143452, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 253d Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 25 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gumburg, Germany. Volunteers were called for to form a patrol to clear out the woods on the flank of town. Private First Class Meier, in charge of the patrol, successfully crossed open terrain under a full moon without being detected by the enemy. After placing his men in strategic fields of fire, he went forward to attack an enemy position. His surprise attack wounded two of the enemy and completely disorganized the rest. After a short fire fight they became so demoralized that they surrendered. Because of the skillful handling of his patrol of four men, they captured fifteen of the enemy. The gallantry in action displayed by Private First Class Meier reflects the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wimbledon, North Dakota.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, to the following:

WILLIAM C. CANFIELD, 13200551, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. Private First Class Canfield volunteered to go forward, through the intense artillery fire which had just caused the abandonment of his previous mission to evacuate seriously wounded men. He crept and crawled forward through heavy artillery fire to where the wounded man was laying. The gravity of the man's wounds and loss of blood made it necessary for immediate aid. Without thought of personal safety, Private First Class Canfield picked up the wounded man and carried him to the aid station. He made repeated trips thru the intense shell fire and his courage was undoubtedly responsible for saving several lives. The bravery and devotion to duty of Private First Class Canfield reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD S. C. MARTZ, 33875130, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 26 April 1945, in the vicinity of Leipheim, Germany. Private First Class Martz realized that the communications with the forward elements became difficult and confused due to the fact that all calls to and from the attacking elements had to be relayed through the already overworked forward switchboard. Through a hail of intense enemy fire, he managed to reroute his approach to the board with the wire and complete the job successfully, thus clearing a communication hazard that was steadily becoming

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and more serious. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Martz reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

JAMES L. SORENSON, 36685465, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Emsheim, Germany. Staff Sergeant Sorenson, a machine gun section leader, volunteered to fire a bazooka at an enemy pillbox. Working his way through intense machine gun and mortar fire for a distance of one hundred and seventy-five yards, he opened fire on the pillbox, allowing the riflemen to assault and neutralize the enemy position. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Sorenson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Des Moines, Iowa.

JULIUS L. SPAGNOLI, 42070862, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Although seriously wounded, Private First Class Spagnoli remained at his position as gunner on a 60mm mortar. He kept up a supporting fire so that the riflemen could advance to their objective with the least possible delay. By remaining at his post, he enabled the company to accomplish a successful mission with the least possible casualties. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Spagnoli reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Woodhaven, New York.

VERNON D. TALKINGTON, 37730581, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken Woods, Franco. Private First Class Talkington, ammunition bearer, machine gun squad, while moving in the attack, observed the assistant gunner fall seriously wounded. Dropping one box of ammunition, he picked up the machine gun and continued to move to the position where the gun was to be placed. Private First Class Talkington's initiative and coolness under fire enabled the squad to deliver effective fire upon the enemy. This action reflects credit upon Private First Class Talkington and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Clements, Kansas.

CHARLES J. VAN WINKLE, 02007095, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unterhof, Germany. During a strong enemy counterattack a portion of Lieutenant Winkle's platoon was held up. Locating the source of the heavy enemy fire, and with little regard for his own safety, he rushed the enemy position and successfully captured the enemy gun and its crew. Lieutenant Van Winkle's bravery and aggressive action contributed greatly to the success of the attack and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

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*30 August 1945*

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NUMBER 636) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1942, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

FRANK E. BRAZICKI, 42009255, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unterhof, Germany. When Sergeant Brazicki, platoon sergeant, observed enemy tanks and half tracks approaching, he ran to an open field before the town in direct line of the enemy vehicles, and waving his arms and shouting warned his men, who were in houses, of the approaching enemy vehicles. Then, procuring a bazooka, he directed the fire on these vehicles, successfully causing them to withdraw. The brave action and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Brazicki saved many lives and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

GODFREY MORRIS, 32331913, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Bapfeldhausen, Germany. When his platoon was held up, Technician Fourth Grade Morris, a rifleman, jumped up and ran to the enemy's flank. He opened fire on them, drawing fire so that the other men in his company could spot them and fire on them. In this action he was seriously wounded in the leg and stomach. Although wounded, he remained in his position drawing enemy fire until the enemy was repulsed. The unflinching courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fourth Grade Morris reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WILLIAM A. BRACKETT, 32800464, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lynbrook, Long Island.

RONY L. CANCORS, 39001513, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dixon, California.

MICHAEL J. DELUCA, 42178391, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

ALFRED R. DURANCO, 16020282, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 26 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany.

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MARTIN FALKOWITZ, 42055138, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

RUSSELL L. GANSKE, 37692839, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sunner, Idaho.

ALEXANDER L. GRANT, 12114104, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

WILBUR G. HICKS, 33501191, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 12 February 1945 to 7 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Montgomery, Pennsylvania.

ERNEST HORK, 39467575, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

DAVID L. JAMES, 34456003, Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Stokes, North Carolina.

JOHN F. H. MURRAY, 31427313, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Beverly, Massachusetts.

AUSTIN W. SMITH, 38249382, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 26 March 1945 to 3 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harlingen, Texas.

JAMES L. WHITNEY, 32330457, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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30 August 1945

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WALTER C. GOINES, 33329530, ~~Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment~~, for meritorious service from 10 March 1945 to 20 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bliersbach, Germany. Entered military service from Winnfield, Louisiana.

STEPHEN E. HORNYAK, 31195073, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 March 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wallingford, Connecticut.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ROBERT E. BENNETT, 36764031, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 8 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JESSE D. BOUMAN, 38418064, Technician Third Grade, Ordnance, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Converse, Louisiana.

LOIS W. GILBERT, 20822599, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Antitank Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 18 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sante, Texas.

HAROLD E. HAGAN, 39338804, Corporal, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 8 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bond, Oregon.

PHILIP L. HARRIS, 33656213, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Floyd, Virginia.

EDLISON R. MELLIS, 33267988, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 8 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cambridge, Pennsylvania.

HARRY E. KOB, 36669824, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ROBERT C. MC CLELLAN, 13006848, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

THOMAS M. MC PHAIL, JR., 36120423, Technician Grade Four, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

ROBERT B. MORRISON, 36597493, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JUNIOR A. RICHARDSON, 39138838, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 26 December 1944 to 18 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Eata, Oklahoma.

CHARLES RUI, 32238922, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 March 1945 to 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mannville, New Jersey.

RICHARD W. SCOTT, 35547980, Technician Grade Five, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

LAUREL M. STANFORD, 54883638, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

EDWARD R. WILBUR, 32546988, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elmira, New York.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ALBERT J. GUERINI, JR., 35244238, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Comersheim, Germany. While moving the mortar squad into position an enemy sniper began firing, preventing the squad from operating. Private First Class Guerini left his mortar in the hands of another man and with his rifle moved down an open road trying to locate the enemy. He succeeded in engaging the enemy sniper in a fire fight, thus diverting attention from the mortar crew. He eliminated the menace and remained in his forward position to direct his squad against an enemy machine gun. Under his direction the enemy position was neutralized. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Guerini reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ash-tabula, Ohio.

ROBERT W. PERKINS, 35244030, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Achen, France. When his platoon leader was killed and the platoon was held up by enemy sniper and machine gun fire, Private First Class Perkins, acting on his own initiative moved forward in the face of deadly enemy fire to a position where he could throw a grenade to silence the machine guns. His act gave the needed time to his platoon sergeant to organize the platoon and to continue on to their objective. The bravery and aggressiveness of Private First Class Perkins reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

CLYDE E. PATTON, 35848305, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken Woods, France. While delivering a message to one of the platoons, Private First Class Patton observed a number of men held up in their attack by heavy enemy fire. Procuring a bazooka and ammunition, he crawled forward to within range of the strongly emplaced enemy. Firing the bazooka he successfully neutralized the enemy position, killing all its occupants, thus allowing the men to continue the advance. The bravery and aggressiveness of Private First Class Patton reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Clarksville, West Virginia.

ARTHUR K. KEITH, 38675731, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissbach, Germany. When one of the rearmost men of his machine gun section was wounded by an enemy sniper, Private First Class Keith, without hesitation, went to his aid. Although continually being fired at by enemy small arms, he continued to administer first aid and succeeded in evacuating the wounded man from his hazardous position. Through his prompt action and disregard

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for his own safety, the life of the wounded man was saved. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Keith reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Jourdanton, Texas.

JAMES HILT, 32825868, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Hardt Forest, France. During an attack through the woods, Private First Class Hilt's platoon encountered a bunker with two machine guns and five enemy riflemen in communication trenches protecting it. On his own initiative, he crawled forward and occupied one end of the trench. In the fire fight that followed he killed one enemy rifleman with hand grenades, which opened an avenue of approach and led to the capture of the position and ten prisoners. He was wounded in this action and was evacuated. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Hilt reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

HUGH M. DUGAN, 12225936, Private, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Enslingen, Germany. When the company was held up by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire, Private Dugan, disregarding his personal safety, advanced to an exposed position and engaged the enemy in a fire fight that caused the enemy to withdraw. He assisted in repulsing the enemy counterattack and then voluntarily led a patrol which led to a fierce battle and again inflicted a number of enemy casualties. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Dugan reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Port Chester, New York.

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Chief of Staff

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Adjutant General

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NUMBER 639) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLIAM S. LANHAM, 35692762, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 19 March 1945 to 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Ommerheim, Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

HOLLIS P. LEIGHLEY, JR., 16120140, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Blicsbrucken Woods, France. Entered military service from Rantoul, Illinois.

NICK M. BARON, 36679456, Private, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Henryetta, Oklahoma.

DONALD C. FARNSWORTH, 33529278, Technician Third Grade, Infantry, Medical Detachment, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hot Springs, Virginia.

JAMES O. FRENCH, 31401390, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waterville, Maine.

LEROY W. HEGGE, 39175331, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spirit Lake, Idaho.

JAMES J. HUGHES, 20365202, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH P. JOHNSTON, JR., 34966744, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. George, South Carolina.

FRANK W. JONES, 34234986, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Shreveport, Louisiana.

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KENNETH F. LEEDER, 36842600, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Janesville, Wisconsin.

STEPHEN B. MASON, 34833812, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

JOHN J. MC MAHON, 35700174, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, 63d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT E. MC RORIE, 32545483, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cicero, New York.

VINCENT D. MONTIMER, 35711006, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 21 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rimersburg, Pennsylvania.

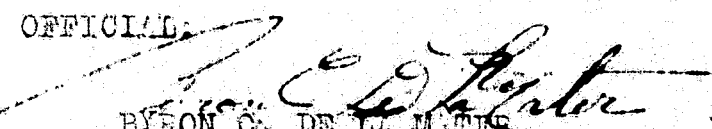
CLYDE SMITH, 35428290, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pike County, Kentucky.

LUTHER C. SWANSON, 36830754, Corporal, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ironwood, Michigan.

VINCENT M. TRILUTA, 32616859, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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Adjutant General

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Chief of Staff

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NUMBER 640)

Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous).....  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star is Posthumously awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

FRANCIS J. COELMAN, 36876410, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Next of kin: Mrs. Germaine Coelman (Wife), 7342 Weigand Street, Center Line, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

KENNETH GILES, 36977334, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Private First Class Giles materially aided the advance of his platoon by firing his bazooka effectively into enemy pillboxes. During an intense barrage of enemy artillery, a fellow soldier's leg was shattered. He saved his comrade's life by quickly and carefully carrying him to a covered position and rendering first aid. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Giles reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Nashville, Illinois.

JOSEPH P. ALFONSI, 33883554, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JOHN R. BENDER, 35899973, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

HAROLD G. BROWN, 32740048, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hudson, New York.

VINCENT T. CLAUINO, 33795397, Private First Class, Infantry, Medical Detachment, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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ALBERT J. EDWARDS, JR., 37604940, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 15 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from University City, Missouri.

WILLIE FLIR, 34882555, Private First Class, Infantry, Medical Detachment, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elizabethton, Tennessee.

EDWARD G. HORN, 42178455, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Comack, New York.

JESSE A. HOTTEN, 39338889, Private First Class, Cavalry, 63d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

ROBERT J. LABRY, 38617817, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Abbeville, Louisiana.

JEROME OKONSKI, 15101143, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

BENEDICT PARENTI, 33613032, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

DONALD H. SCHRADER, 36734433, Technician Fourth Grade, Cavalry, 63d Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, 63d Infantry Division, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HENRY ZUBER, 42010259, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CARL E. ALDERMAN, 35054184, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brookfield, Ohio.

MELVIN T. ANDERSON, 39197210, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hubbell, Michigan.

ROY W. BELMILLS, 31462968, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rohrback, Germany. Entered military service from Washburn, Maine.

CHARLES J. BOFF, JR., 42120126, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 9 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

BENNIE N. BRANHAM, 38175589, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 21 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

RAYMOND C. CAPUTO, 31448315, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

BEALS B. CUMMINGS, 18035859, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Childress, Texas.

LOUIS F. GATTARDI, 42112942, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Atlantic City, New Jersey.

DONALD M. HOPCRAFT, 42056153, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Scarsdale, New York.

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JAMES E. JOHNSON, 34833773, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 20 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

HORACE F. JONES, 39725254, Priv to First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 March 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

EDWARD F. MAJOR, 42042273, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

FREDERICK V. MALWARD, 31420035, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 26 December 1944 to 13 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ROBERT M. MILLARD, 37102593, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rohrback, Germany. Entered military service from Batesville, Arkansas.

GLENN SUTTON, 33700797, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 14 March 1945 to 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Butler, Pennsylvania.

EARL W. SELLW, 33190067, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Antitank Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 28 March 1945 to 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arlington, Virginia.

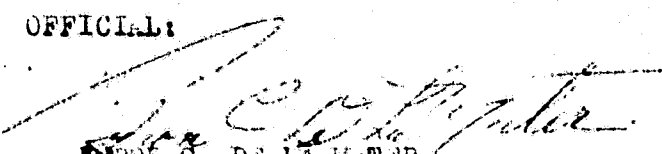
FLOYD J. VINCENT, 38490243, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 April 1945 to 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Lake Charles, Louisiana.

FERRY R. WARD, 37011645, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rohrback, Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Kansas.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -  
AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 20 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

IRVING L. BRADBURN, 39217675, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hottviller, France. Entered military service from Bellingham, Washington.

NORMAN R. BRYSON, 33699094, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 20 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ollmersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Greenock, Pennsylvania.

ORVILLE CHOTT, 37392959, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisbach, Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

GEORGE S. DAUGHERTY, 32065525, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 17 to 21 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. Entered military service from Newark, Delaware.

FLOYD DAVIS, JR., 36902880, Second Lieutenant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubinga, Germany. Entered military service from Chrisman, Illinois.

EDWARD L. FRENCH, 33835754, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. Entered military service from Morristown, Pennsylvania.

BORIS J. GEZZER, 33700114, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshein, Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES W. HEWITT, 35242746, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 18 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ollmersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Marion, Indiana.

S. HOWARD JACOBSON, 36556731, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 18 to 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ollmersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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ELMY S. MC KEE, 35906758, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Waldenburg, Germany. Entered military service from Newbern, Tennessee.

GEORGE R. MIKESH, 37692814, Corporal (then Private First Class) Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ensheim, Germany. Entered military service from Belmont, Iowa.

JOHN J. MILLER, 32693068, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neckarbischofsheim, Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

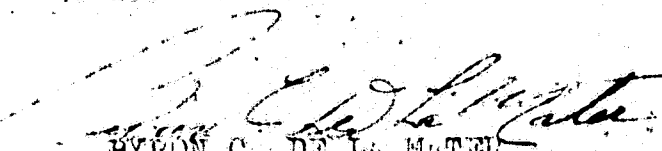
CARL MASK, 39138786, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 19 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ollmersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Salinas, California.

MURRAY ROSENBLUM, 32542221, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 6 February 1945, in the vicinity of Weiswiler, France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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GENERAL ORDERS)  
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ORIGINAL ORDER -

- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal... I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal - Missing in Action..... II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... III

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN J. O'CONNOR, 20624401, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 23d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 7 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

II: AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - MISSING IN ACTION - In direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following individual, missing in action:

CARLE C. CHRISTENSEN, 39865385, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hesselental, Germany. Private First Class Christensen was attached to a platoon of tanks and was removing mined road blocks. When a mined road was discovered, he started in clearing the road, manually picking up thirty-two mines in less than ten minutes. One of the mines exploded and as result he was reported missing in action. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Christensen are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. Gusder A. Christensen (Father), Hippicus, Washington.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN J. SALKAUSKAS, 33548839, Corporal, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neufels, Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JOHN V. SIMSHAUSEE, 36448208, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Saarguemines, France. Entered military service from Bloomington, Illinois.

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PAUL E. TACHS, 31456785, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G" 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 10 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ommersheim, Germany. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

JOHN WIGHTMAN, 35927962, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Enslingen, Germany. Entered military service from Euclid, Ohio.

ROBERT H. BAUER, 33703299, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rohrback, Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM L. BURNS, 32955832, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 20 February 1945 to 18 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newport, New Jersey.

WILLIAM H. EVAUL, 13129401, Corporal, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service from 5 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Palmyra, New Jersey.

ALEXANDER GIFFORD, JR., 31026440, Technical Sergeant, Infantry Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Concord, New Hampshire.

EDWARD J. ROSENKRANZ, 36975756, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE G. GIBBY, 35927867, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

STANLEY E. WALKER, 12169886, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company "A", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lockport, New York.

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31 August 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HAROLD G. BROWN, 32740048, First Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Salzbach, Germany. Sergeant Brown's mission was to set up a mortar section in the center of a town so that his fire would cut off the enemy retreat. Stored enemy ammunition was burning and exploding near to the position he was to use. Knowing that the success of the attack depended on his fire, he set up his mortar despite the heavy concentration of enemy fire and exploding ammunition. In addition to scoring heavy losses on the retreating enemy, he eliminated an enemy machine gun with its entire crew, that was covering the retreat. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Brown reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Hudson, New York.

JOSEPH N. DURDALLER, 01286456, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 26 February 1945, in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JOHN F. MILLER, 01326765, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 30 March 1945, in the vicinity of Plankstadt, Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

CLAUDE T. T. SHERMAN, 33747738, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Habkirchen, Germany. Entered military service from Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN R. FIELD, 13138614, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 25 April 1945, in the vicinity of Landsberg, Germany. When the patrol, of which Private First Class Field was a member, was on a mission to contact the left flank of the battalion, they were sighted by the enemy and fired upon. Private First Class

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Field, on his own initiative and with little regard for his personal safety, circled the flank of the enemy, firing his rifle as he moved. The enemy surrounded came forward in surrender. Private First Class Field's courage and aggressive action contributed greatly in the capture of nineteen enemy and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Brooklyn Park, Maryland.

HARRY M. NICOLSON, JR., 01080891, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bubingen, Germany. In order to accomplish his mission with a minimum of danger to his own troops, Lieutenant Nicolson, with little regard for his own safety and despite intense enemy fire directed by the enemy into the company positions, got out of his hole and took up a standing position for an extended period of time behind the most forward rifle fox-holes. He was able to adjust the mortar fire very close to our own positions, killing several of the enemy, without inflicting any casualties on his own troops. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Nicolson reflect the highest credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Redwood City, California.

ROBERT J. WIEDEMAN, 15359850, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 16 February 1945, in the vicinity of Bliesbrucken, France. Private First Class Wiedeman, messenger during an attack, kept contact with the company commander and the light machine gun section. When he was severely wounded, he kept communications with the guns, informing them exactly where the company commander wanted the guns placed. Only after the seizing of the company's objective did he return to the rear for medical care. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Wiedeman reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Garrett, Indiana.

ARTHUR J. BAUCHNER, 42101176, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

ERASTUS W. ROSS, JR., 0351601, Captain, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 to 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wiggins, Mississippi.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

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Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

*Byron C. DeWinter*  
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Adjutant General

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30 August 1945

*Richard J. Tenberg*  
*J.P.H.*

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 645)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

FREDRICK A. KARLSON, 19119890, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Esheim, Germany. Sergeant Karlson volunteered to operate a flame thrower against enemy positions, but conditions made it impossible to use it so he discarded it and attached himself to the company as a rifleman. While waiting for an enemy counterattack, the area was subjected to fierce enemy artillery barrages, wounding the artillery forward observer. He immediately took over as forward observer and directed the artillery fire. He remained in an exposed position directing accurate and effective fire on the enemy until the action had ceased. The enemy had been completely routed, leaving over seventy killed and many wounded. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Karlson reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Lake Grove, Oregon.

ERNEST A. MEAULT, 31430984, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisbach, Germany. Sergeant Meault, while attempting to lead his platoon across a bridge, received fire from enemy snipers. He located the enemy position and then crossed the stream at a point further down. Before he reached the position, he was again fired on, but disregarding his own safety he ran directly toward the position firing on it as he ran. This allowed the platoon to cross the bridge and continue on their mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Meault reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Dracut, Massachusetts.

RALPH K. SMITH, JR., 11128425, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Habkirchen, France. Private First Class Smith, a scout observer, volunteered to accompany a patrol as radio operator. Walking ahead of the patrol until about twenty yards from an enemy position, he radioed a prearranged signal to the artillery, which laid down a barrage. The patrol then attacked the position and destroyed it, killing two and capturing eleven of the enemy. When the patrol was returning, one of the men stepped on a mine, wounding Private First Class Smith in the chest. Despite his wound, he directed the medical men to the side of a more seriously wounded man, and remained until the wounded man was evacuated. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Smith reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Sewickley, Pennsylvania.

JAMES A. STORER, 33841548, Private First Class, Cavalry, 63d Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in action on 31 March 1945, in the vicinity of Neckerhausen, Germany. Private First Class Storer was on an aggressive

mission with his reconnaissance team, when embarking. Not thinking of his own personal safety, Private First Class Storer volunteered to remain in an exposed position drawing enemy fire. While the rest of his reconnaissance team withdrew to a covered area. The bravery and outstanding devotion to duty of Private First Class Storer under hazardous conditions reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

SOLLIE ELSENER, 12161165, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

DONALD W. FRY, 20657375, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin.

JAMES A. HUBBELMAN, 36685784, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Springfield, Illinois.

FRED D. MOFFITT, 34679190, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baton Rouge Louisiana.

WILLIAM C. RATCHFORD, 34213374, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gastonia, North Carolina.

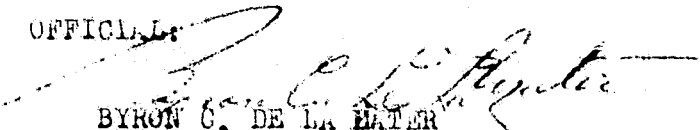
THEODORE SCHAUPP, 20204166, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hollis, New York.

FRANCIS X. SULLIVAN, 37416777, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

CHARLES W. WHITE, JR., 6667297, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Antitank Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bluefield, West Virginia.

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Adjutant General

EARLE G. WESSLER  
Colonel, U. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff



1 September 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 646)

- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal... I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal..... II
- Award of the Air Medal..... III
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal..... IV
- Award of the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal..... V

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

LOUIS F. CERVIANO, 35632214, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 14 February 1945 to 28 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bellaire, Ohio.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CYRUS H. WHEELLOCK, JR., 6568918, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 19 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Auburn, Wyoming.

JESSIE C. PHILLIPS, 33385423, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Barclay, Maryland.

ARTHUR J. SALMINEN, 36830832, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harley, Wisconsin.

RICHARD G. SIMONS, 39927780, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hazelton, Idaho.

CHARLES K. TALLMAN, SR., 35080175, Private First Class, Infantry Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clarksburg, West Virginia.

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IRVIN D. WINGO, 35158356, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boone Hill, Virginia.

III. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL - BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

DANIEL H. WALL, III., 02011670, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over enemy territory from 27 February 1945 to 16 March 1945. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

IV. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL - BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

DANIEL H. WALL, III., 02011670, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over enemy territory from 16 March 1945 to 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

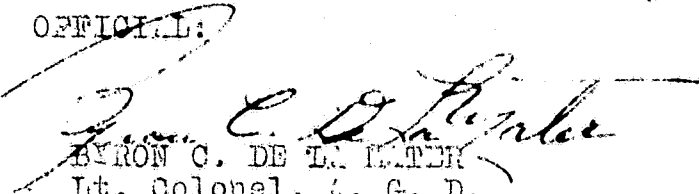
V. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL - BY direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

DANIEL H. WALL, III., 02011670, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over enemy territory from 3 April 1945 to 27 April 1945. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By a section of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ANTHONY BARATTA, 36651139, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kankakee, Illinois.

JAMES J. BRENFAN, 32609178, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ISRAEL BROWN, 33561225, Corporal, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ALONZO CARVER, JR., 32958748, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

CHRIS J. CUMINGS, 33933691, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN GALLANT, 42010468, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sewaren, New Jersey.

RICHARD L. JOHNSTON, 36001011, Technical Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago Illinois.

LAWRENCE W. KNOEBEL, 33267682, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company "A", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN R. LEWIS, 16055345, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 29 January 1945 to 1 March 1945, in

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France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

GEORGE W. PFERDEORT, 33972050, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 25 January 1945 to 27 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Williamsburg, Pennsylvania.

JOE SHOPLKTER, 31233276, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

JOSEPH F. WELSH, 31025612, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East Templeton, Massachusetts.

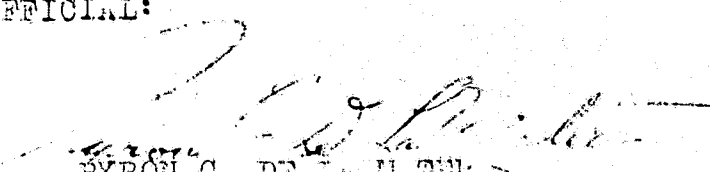
DALE A. WINTERS, 39329477, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sherwood, Oregon.

JOHN E. WION, 36105868, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

GEORGE A. ARVAY, 42008374, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.

JOHN CERWAK, 42031525, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rockville Center, New York.

ROYAL H. DURST, 32999480, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

JOSEPH P. FALKENSTEIN, 15676261, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

ROBERT HECK, 3356573, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 9 April 1945 to 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Saxon, Pennsylvania.

FRANK J. KINGSBURY, 36248190, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 25 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wauwatosa, Wisconsin.

JAMES R. KRUG, 17025745, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 11 April 1945 to 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Huron, South Dakota.

RUDOLPH E. KUMPAK, 32579167, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Johnstown, New York.

LOUIS G. MARVINWEY, 42010101, Private First Class (then Private), Corps of Engineers, Company "C", 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

FREDERICK C. MC BRIDE, 37488559, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Blair, Nebraska.

FRANCIS F. MC GUIRE, 36685346, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rockford, Illinois.

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PETER MERUSI, 52210253, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kingston, New York.

MICHAEL T. MORAN, JR., 32399433, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

JACOB PERCZYK, 32510315, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

ELI FODLESMEY, 32983893, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Floral Park, New York.

WILLIAM B. ROBINSON, 20953737, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.


WILLIAM J. SPICOTT, 16144717, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM TERKAVICK, JR., 32512348, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
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Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....I  
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I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

RICHARD E. HILL, 35600959, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Canton, Ohio.

WILLIAM C. RIMM, 35596183, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

HARVEY R. SETHI, 34105592, Private, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Deatsville, Illinois.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN E. ALFF, 38110590, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

WILBERT W. CARPENTER, 20644222, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cheboygan, Michigan.

THADDEUS A. GRYSS, 31460130, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

RONNIE HENCILEY, 01326327, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Osterville, Massachusetts.

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THURMAN A. HORNE, 6396742, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

WILLIAM H. MADIGAN, 42075191, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

IRVING F. MINTS, 42102731, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.

ROBERT F. NEWTON, 39471514, Corporal, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newburg, Oregon.

EDWARD J. ZARROWSKI, 36342851, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

FRED A. VON RINOW, JR., 16007440, Technical Sergeant, Infantry Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

HERVIN L. WHITAKER, 13146551, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ogletown, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD B. WILLIAMS, 37771499, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clarissa, Minnesota.

VIRGIL C. WORLEY, 35570505, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Castle, Indiana.

BY ORDER OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ARTHUR W. BOWMAN, 35000960, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in action from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Marion, Ohio.

EDWARD D. DONNELLY, 31460191, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bethel, Connecticut.

WILLI G. GOLDSCHMIDT, 33797885, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Antitank Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

HENRY J. GOTHERMAN, 38861046, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wattensaw, Arkansas.

JOHN R. GRAY, 35361236, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Seymour, Indiana.

ANTHONY GRUDNOSKI, 36830801, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Marquette, Michigan.

CHARLES C. HANSON, 33875101, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milton Pennsylvania.

LELAND B. HARDISON, 44013128, Private, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Williamston, North Carolina.

RODGER W. HUNTZER, 15382347, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

JOSEPH JOHNSON, 37071368, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Centerville, South Dakota.

ROBERT J. KARCZYNSKI, 33703312, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 17 February 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Natrona, Pennsylvania.

PHILIP W. CARIMARO, 36779112, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

LOUIS J. OLKESKI, 36686152, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Ill.

ROLAND W. SCHMIDT, 36826240, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

VORLEY J. SMITHSON, 36848325, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

JAMES C. THOMSON, 33794970, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD R. TROUTH, 38631741, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Graham, Texas.

FRANK J. WARZAK, 16175340, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Ill.

FRED J. WEBER, 42187169, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hackensack, New Jersey.

VIRGIE T. ZEPEDA, 39049656, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN LEEAH JR., 36984353, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

BURNER B. ALLEN, 37594460, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

JOHN P. COOKSON, 33684889, Private, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Canonburg, Pennsylvania.

BERNARD D. DAVIS, 38547839, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bon Wiek, Texas.

ROBERT R. HAZEL, 34966413, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Augusta, South Carolina.

ELMER D. JOHNSON, 35748577, Private, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Morgantown, West Virginia.

GEORGE J. EASHIONE, 33925190, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

JAMES P. MC FADDEN, 31389955, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

GEORGE A. MITCHELL, 32730400, Corporal, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

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BARTLS J. ROZAL, 37625818, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mountain Grove, Missouri.

CARL J. SCHUM, 35392670, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kingsford Heights, Indiana.

DOHOVAN G. SCHUSLER, 35765790, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company 263d Engineer Combat Battalion, for meritorious service from 4 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elyria, Ohio.

JOHN W. SCOTT, 39953419, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Vernal, Utah.

GILBERT B. SHRIVER, 37661565, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 26 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

JOSEPH J. SIRAGUSA, 20624424, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JOHN F. SELANIK, 42186494, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

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OFFICIAL:

BALDE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CARL D. ANGEL, 35226287, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Athens, Ohio. ✓

WILLIAM M. BOWYER, 33884688, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Riner, Virginia. ✓

SIDNEY COHEN, 19182889, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California. ✓

MAX DEAKTER, 33700714, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Aliquippa, Pennsylvania. ✓

ROBERT J. FORD, 12239346, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Binghamton, New York. ✓

FREDERICK K. GROSSMAN, 32835964, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rochester, New York. ✓

ROBERT T. HASTINGS, 39567796, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California. ✓

JOHN HAUKE, 16049963, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin. ✓

LEON H. MURPHY, 35096322, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pendleton, Indiana. ✓

LEON S. KENNEDY, 39057101, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania. ✓

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WALTER J. MAC MULLIN, 39385542, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Edmonds, Washington.

JOSEPH P. MOONEY, 42083878, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Audubon, New Jersey.

LEO A. IGLINO, 31295429, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bedford, Massachusetts.

STEPHEN SKOLNIK, 33841543, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Allegheny, Pennsylvania.

JAMES A. SMITH, 34871528, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lytle, Mississippi.

GEORGE A. STOCKERT, 36050585, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pekin, Illinois.

WALTER STEVALL, 34971194, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Athens, Alabama.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Walter C. De la Mater*  
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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS)  
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ORIGINAL ORDER

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regula-  
tions 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf  
Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding  
General to the following:

ROBERT CHRISTMAN, 18228109, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meri-  
torious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and  
Germany. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

REY GILLEN, 36876192, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th  
Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to  
1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from  
Dansville, Michigan.

ORVIN H. LEGETTE, 34961285, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E",  
255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February,  
1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military serv-  
ice from Moncks Corner, North Carolina.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President,  
under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943,  
as amended; the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding  
General to the following:

ADOLPH BALL, 37168661, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company  
Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service  
from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered  
military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

DALE BEASEY, 35249702, Private First Class, Infantry, Company  
"G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 Feb-  
ruary 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military  
service from Gary, Indiana.

JOSEPH A. BEAUREGARD, 02011766, Second Lieutenant, Infantry,  
Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from  
1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered mil-  
itary service from Mineral Wells, Texas.

HENRY F. BOBKOWSKI, 31410323, Private First Class, Infantry,  
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for  
meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France  
and Germany. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut

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ELBERT J. BRIDGES, 34253711, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Winnsboro, Louisiana.

VERYL E. CARNEY, 33700594, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Park Township, Pennsylvania.

DEAN R. DE MERRITT, Jr., 38693959, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

BERTRAM ELKINS, 12229399, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOHN J. FLYNN, 32998868, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lawrence, New York.

CARL G. JOHNSON, 37742856, Private, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN R. MAC DOUGALL, 15171432, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

\* EDWARD A. MC KIMMARA, JR., 20111574, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clinton, Massachusetts. *Amended to read 1st dlc to B.M. in view of previous award of 332 awarded in post 286 44.638 of this 24 June 45. (PO)*

GENTIL PERRY, 12161525, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOSEPH C. ELLER, 33730864, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Camerach, Virginia.

HARRY R. GAMBLE, 33733696, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Northeast, Maryland.

JOHN L. GIBSON, 33843405, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portlock, Georgia.

ANDREW HANCUKAK, 33432129, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Edwardsville, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH A. JOHNSON, 37071364, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarter Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Centreville, South Dakota.

JAMES E. KELLETT, 31225516, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milford, Massachusetts.

LESTER O. LABBE, 20625578, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CARSON H. LEONARD, 32898702, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarter Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

MICHAEL MARYKAS, 33608737, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Latlin, Pennsylvania.

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ROBERT NELSON, 36756446, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.

OBIE OBAMON, 20822943, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Arlington, Texas.

STANLEY PICHOWITZ, 02014893, Second Lieutenant, then Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

HENRY FOPLER, 36898588, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milan, Michigan.

ARTHUR P. PURDY, 15304058, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elizabeth, New Jersey.

IRVIN L. SMITH, 33795063, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

HAROLD T. STONE, 31293824, Corporal, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

ANDREW STUDLEY, 31446694, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

JOHN SUCICH, 33815768, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

CHARLES SURIK, 43006448, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Raritan, New Jersey.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIAL:

*Byron C. De La Motte*  
BYRON C. DE LA MOTTE  
Lt Colonel, U. S. A.,  
Adjutant General

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

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GENERAL ORDERS)  
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MINUTE ORDER

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

EDGAR A. GOODRIDGE, 35115306, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Taylorsport, Kentucky.

LONNIE L. HESS, 33888634, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Richlands, Virginia.

PHILIP MARINARO, 36779122, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ISIDORE POLLEVOY, 01080230, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

MARK J. BARTLETT, 39919232, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tridell, Utah.

LEWIS H. BAYLISS, 36991565, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rochester, Michigan.

HAROLD D. BLACK, 31348667, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Leverett, Massachusetts.

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ZANE E. BOLIN, 38582771, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Roswell, New Mexico.

FREDERICK CARMADILLE, 38652648, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lafitte, Louisiana.

ARTHUR E. CARPENTER, 42115654, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

LEON D. R. DALTON, 36276179, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Edgerton, Wisconsin.

BURTON EVANS, 31460193, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bethel, Connecticut.

LUCIAN KENNETH, 35835107, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Indiana.

EARL W. KIPP, 36875590, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

RICHARD KLINEDINST, 13092730, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spring Grove, Pennsylvania.

FRANCIS KLOTT, 37634020, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Helmann, Missouri.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIALS:

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Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

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NUMBER 656) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the commanding General to the following:

JAMES J. AMBROSIO, 12158940, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Allentown Pennsylvania.

JOHN R. BLANKS, SR., 54980414, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Macon, Georgia.

ROBERT J. BOLLER, 38217876, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harwood, Oklahoma.

JOSEPH W. HEIM, 35882989, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

NICHOLAS LA BROSE, 31433841, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clinton, Massachusetts.

EDWIN F. NIXON, 37600526, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Frederick, South Dakota.

BERNARD G. PASTOR, 32999432, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cedarhurst, New York.

JAMES PELLEGRIN, 35848696, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fairmont, West Virginia.

WINTON PROPHET, 38569464, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, Oklahoma.

BILLY O. RHODES, 44033131, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ozark, Alabama.

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ROBERT F. ROSE, 38050135, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

GEORGE F. ROTH, JR., 42102779, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Brunswick, New Jersey.

JOSEPH V. SALB, JR., 35908136, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jasper, Indiana.

WALDO H. SCHUMAKER, 36685833, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Cannon Company 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lafayette, Indiana.

ROBERT N. SMITH, 33888616, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Beachmont, Virginia.

WALTER A. STOKES, 37240086, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clinton, Missouri.

GORDON S. WOODS, 38339786, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Paris, Texas.

JOHN F. ZAINO, 36608538, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*[Signature]*  
BYRON C. DE LA MATIER  
Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.  
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOSEPH R. BUSTOS, 36326112, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

THOMAS J. BYRNE, JR., 32510202, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Suffern, New York.

ANTHONY S. D'AMINA, 33908785, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

PAUL C. FERRAR, 32612341, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

JOHN F. GAINES, 37638207, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Laclede County, Missouri.

PAUL G. GILLESPIE, 20528270, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Crab Orchard, West Virginia.

EDWARD R. GRAHAM, 33797657, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

FREEMAN KELLEY, 35776253, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hylton, Kentucky.

CLIFFORD K. HANSON, 36299417, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

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STEVE W. RAIDER, 35398702, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Monticello, Indiana.

FRANCIS D. ROGERS, 33700128, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LOUIS RUSSOTTO, 42009463, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

DENNIS F. SMITH, 0557141, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Unknown.

MARVIN TRUEPOWER, 38482085, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Clear Spring, Maryland.

RICHARD F. TUTTLE, 20508081, First Sergeant, Infantry, Company "K", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.


EUGENE VAN HORN, 02007089, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portage, Wisconsin.

LOUIS A. VIDAL, 32965789, Corporal, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Woodside, New York.

VENNON A. WORSTER, 31450178, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Prentiss, Maine.

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1 September 1945

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, to the following:

HOLLIE J. ARTHUR, 36874597, Corporal, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kincaid, Illinois.

ANTHONY J. CARBONE, 32235945, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JAMES T. FURRY, 31084971, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salem, Massachusetts.

GEORGE W. GOODWIN, JR., 31453753, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Braintree, Massachusetts.

ARTHUR W. JACO, 30111010, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

HOMER L. JOEL, 34897995, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gibsonville, North Carolina.

RICHARD W. MATHER, 39338357, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trail, Oregon.

VICTOR I. OLSON, 39603921, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missoula, Montana.

ROYCE PHARR, 39052926, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rialto, California.

KENNETH V. RABENOLD, 38024736, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ripley, Okla.

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JACK E. RICKETS, 39928233, Private First Class, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

JAMES M. ROBERTSON, 39479989, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bellingham, Washington.

BENJAMIN C. SPENCER, 33854588, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Norfolk, Virginia.

EDWARD J. STANOVICH, 33766835, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Stump Creek, Pennsylvania.

HERBERT G. TAGLER, 37698845, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dyersville, Iowa.

RAYMOND A. TOLLIN, 35027333, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Avon Lake, Ohio.

NORMAN L. VEBOTE, 16016143, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mattoon, Illinois.

JOHN F. WALKER, 35907201, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from La Porte, Indiana.

FRANCIS M. YAGER, 32578870, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ellion, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL: *[Signature]*

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BYRON C. DE LAETER  
Lt Colonel, U. S. G. D.,  
Adjutant General

AGDP-CE 211 Haves, Frank J.  
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15 August 1952

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

**TO:** Mr. Frank J. Haves  
590 Cherry Street  
Salon, Ohio

So much of General Orders 659, Headquarters 4th Infantry Division, dated 1 September 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal with reads "Frank J. Haves" is amended to read "Frank J. Haves".

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

*J. H. Newman*  
Adjutant General

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 659)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILBUR A. BOYD, 34920407, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

FOREST BURTON, 6714878, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

ELDRED P. CAIN, 31460260, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gardiner, Idaho.

ANTHONY J. DOMONA, 42008888, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Union, New Jersey.

ALBERT S. FINELLI, 42027123, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mangum Falls, New York.

JACK J. GAROFANO, 42180177, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

HARRY B. GRUPE, JR., 37639963, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

FRANK S. KURES, 35925929, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Salem, Ohio.

HOWARD C. LARSEN, 31433221, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Woburn, Massachusetts.

FLOYD E. LIMBURG, 35834459, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

JOSEPH LIVELY, JR., 35215190, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tullahoma, Tennessee.

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THOMAS LUCAS, 17165441, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ainsworth, Nebraska.

JAMES L. LYKINS, 39260975, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Beauna Park, California.

JAMES MICHAEL, 33506686, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

LOUIS W. OSTROSKA, 39699901, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

LOUIS P. POLITI, 42178926, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

HUDSON C. RIEFBERRICK, 33883949, Corporal (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oil City, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT SMITH, 31410601, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

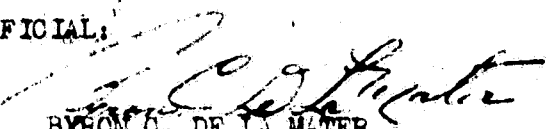
MICHAEL F. VETELL, 32727407, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bayside, New York.

EVERETT R. WHITE, 31458463, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Saco, Maine.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
BYRON G. DE LA MATER  
Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 410 US ARMY

*Belmont*

*9/17*  
*1 September 1945*

GENERAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 660)

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

VANCE B. HARDESTY, 33921165, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Richeyville, Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH E. STRAKA, 33297544, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wesleyville, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JACK P. COOK, 39469068, Private First Class, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

GEORGE S. DOUGHERTY, 32065525, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

JOHN H. FRANKS, 33753811, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

DONALD GREEN, 35242457, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

BERNARD GROSSMAN, 12026121, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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JOSEPH O. HARDEE, 34966332, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Conway, South Carolina.

ROBERT H. RETHLE, 35349421, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Auburn, Indiana.

HYMAN LANDY, 42008425, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hoboken, New Jersey.

JAMES J. MALONE, 36685792, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ANTHONY R. MORABITO, 42031116, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Verplanck, New York.

JOHN F. MOSON, 42071016, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

MICHAEL J. PELIERI, 33585517, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

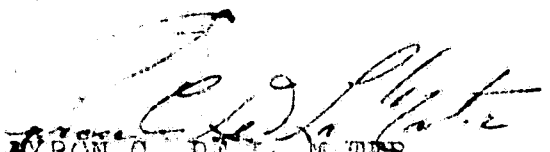
HAROLD PETRIE, 35814403, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Maceo, Kentucky.

ROBERT L. STEVENS, 32488205, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIAL:

E. RILEY B. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

  
BYRON C. DE LA MOTTE  
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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 410 US ARMY

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GENERAL ORDERS)

1 September 1945

NUMBER 661)

PLANS 45134

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

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

WILLIAM B. JENNINGS, 0532689, Second Lieutenant, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hepkibah, Georgia.

WILLIAM G. LOSIENICE, 01179133, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOHN A. AREWDS, 36908996, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hanna City, Illinois.

GEORGE E. BROADWAY, 14021047, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oswego, South Carolina.

STEVE W. CHERNICH, 39850900, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lowell, Arizona.

ROBERT F. CHRISTIAN, 38634160, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Slidell, Texas.

JOB G. CLINTONS, 34999737, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Florence, Alabama.



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CHESTER W. COOLIDGE, 17045818, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery Service Battery, 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

LOUIS EVANSICH, 39177550, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

ABRAHAM GERSTEIN, 32614922, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

VINCENT C. LARIEL, 02011736, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery Battery "A", 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gibsonburg, Ohio.

DELBERT LATIMER, 38104383, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

TED D. LETTIER, 36831364, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CYRUS M. MAYS, 33854683, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Virginia.

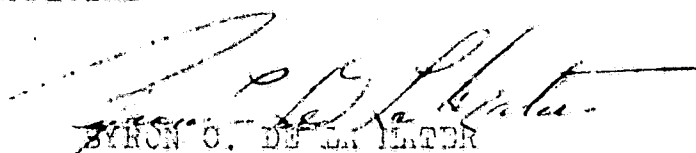
HAROLD MILLER, W2132183, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Service Battery, 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

FORREST R. MOORE, 35836998, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Montpelier, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIAL:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

  
BYRON C. DE LA HATER  
Lt. Colonel, G. S. C.  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 410  
US ARMY

*Approved by [Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

1 September 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 662)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CHARLES BARRY, 31410539, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

RUSSELL F. BUSAM, 35730663, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Tell City, Indiana.

GEORGE FORGACH, 33174489, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

HAROLD O. FREDMAN, 36171726, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kevil, Kentucky.

MARTIN HELIGMAN, 37631873, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

CECIL L. JOHNSON, 0499423, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wamego, Kansas.

LOUIE JOHNSTON, 34945744, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Phenix City, Alabama.

WAYNE F. LOWDEN, 37692987, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Davenport, Iowa.

PIUS R. MARTIN, 33873264, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Oxford, Pennsylvania.

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ROBERT MC ALISTER, 01312782, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Great Falls, Montana.

SIMON F. LEMDOZA, 39263611, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

JOHNNIE M. RAY, 44033010, Private, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Weogufka, Alabama.

GEORGE H. SERGEENA, 36907690, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

MAYNARD SHEPPARD, 34313731, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, North Carolina.

ARTHUR F. SMITH, 02007073, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Danbury, Connecticut.

HENRY WELCH, 39239668, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Duston, Oklahoma.

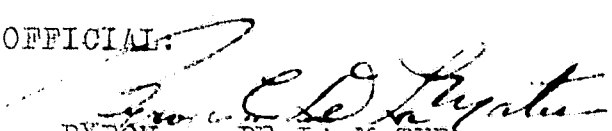
WILLIAM N. YANEY, 34913617, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Joelton, Tennessee.

MICHAEL K. ZELEZNAK, 17047333, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

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BYRON E. DE LA MOTTE  
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Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 410 US ARMY

*Specialty*  
9/30/45  
1 September 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 663)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JAMES A. BARNETT, 38651176, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

WILLIAM T. BRIGHT, 34851487, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elizabeth City, North Carolina.

ALBERT C. BROOKS, 35842995, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

HARRY N. FIELDS, 33704086, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Perryopolis, Pennsylvania.

EDGAR G. JOBE, 39470789, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Craigmont, Idaho.

LOUIS J. LEPARI, 37495416, Corporal, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

ERNEST B. MILKE, 37636745, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

ROBERT J. MINARD, 42009886, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

NICHOLAS J. MECCA, 32511843, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Rochelle, N.Y.

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FRAZIER P. O'SHEA, 33700031, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM OW, 39424477, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

THOMAS E. OWENS, 33615719, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Susquehanna, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD L. PENCE, 35440103, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Union, West Virginia.

VERNON PRICE, 13722084, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

JAMES D. PRIDDY, 35701330, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

RONALD K. SCHOCH, 33763000, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Troutville, Pennsylvania. *THIS FILED OLD SEE*

GLENN M. STODDARD, 37693163, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Northwood, Iowa.

ALFRED J. TRACY, 12226491, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

CHARLES G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

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FRANK C. DE LA LARRE  
Lt Colonel, A. G. D.  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63d INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 419 US ARMY

*Reserve*  
*1 September 1945*

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER (664)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CECIL E. CARPENTER, 35203415, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Quaker, West Virginia.

ALTON P. CHAWLEY, 34403553, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Palm Beach, Florida.

DAVID L. DAVIS, JR., 36767622, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Anna, Illinois.

ARTHUR R. ELLSWORTH, 32289506, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pulaski, New York.

ROBERT D. GROSS, 37511671, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Independent Missouri.

KNOLICE HAMILTON, 34241454, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Niceville, Florida.

HENRY R. RUPP, 35070633, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ft. Thomas, Kentucky.

ARTHUR JOHNSON, 36539270, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

WILBUR H. KIPPMEYER, 36876251, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

JAMES KONTIULES, 31240923, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lynn, Massachusetts.

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LEB T. MASON, 34266176, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Manning, South Carolina.

PETE MERCURIO, 42051253, Private First Class, Infantry, Antitank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

ORLANDO L. STRACCONER, 12037598, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Manhattan, New York.

ROYCE L. STRETT, 13155160, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Angelo, Texas.

HERBERT R. SWANOFF, 34254247, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gastonia, North Carolina.

MORRIS Y. RAMP, 01220764, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Langhorne, Pennsylvania.

GORDON A. TRINKLER, 3044856, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from De Pere, Wisconsin.

EARNEST WHITAKER, 35340785, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mount Vernon, Kentucky.

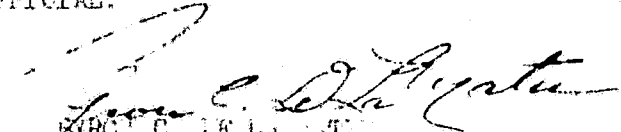
CHARL WENGLER, 34548312, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Batos, Texas.

WALLACE D. ZEPHRY, 13077731, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Joy, Pennsylvania.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WENGLER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
BYRON C. LEBLANC  
Lt. Colonel, A. G. C.,  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63RD INFANTRY DIVISION  
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*Speedy Return*  
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1 September 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 665) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

THOMAS J. CAREY, 33827843, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Easton, Pennsylvania.

PAUL W. GETTINGS, 35277153, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

ANTHONY HOGH, 39094626, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

ELWOOD R. KING, 32042572, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "J", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cherry Plain, New York.

HENRY LAVERLIERE, 31154383, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lewiston, Maine.

JOHN J. MILLER, 13078475, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

KOURKAN T. NABIGIAN, 31387273, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

ROY A. NEBERMAN, 36673909, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Freeport, Illinois.



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EARLE W. ROBERTS, 31402835, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Caribou, Maine.

JOSEPH RUSCITO, 31447786, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Uranston, Rhode Island.

WARREN R. RYAN, 31458519, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milford, Conn.

THOMAS G. SHERWOOD, 42008058, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Englewood, New Jersey.

ROBERT L. SMITH, 34966637, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Glensprings, South Carolina.

SETH E. STOUT, 38609414, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Biglake, Texas.

CLAYTON E. VALALE, 36874936, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wyandotte, Michigan.

FRANK VAN VRANKEN, 38009970, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
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OFFICIAL:

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Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-43, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JAMES ALBRIGHT, 34883084, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jellico, Tennessee.

PAUL R. BAILEY, 33012864, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from York, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD L. CARTER, III, 37637181, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Moberly, Missouri.

HOMER M. CORNETT, 44030984, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cullman, Alabama.

PAUL J. DURST, 39718191, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

ELON J. EDICK, 22493819, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ilion, New York.

EDWARD E. ELDER, 13088526, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Eminton, Pennsylvania.

DELMAR R. HOLLAND, 33702688, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chiopyle, Pennsylvania.

NICHOLAS P. IANUZZI, 32501859, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JOSEPH L. KEPLER, JR., 12206511, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

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CHRIS KLOOSTRA, 36874831, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

HAROLD W. KNULL, 32853008, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from North Tonawanda, New York.

JOHN B. LAKER, JR., 13007786, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JAMES K. LATHAM, 35248307, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Penrod, Kentucky.

FRANK LONGUEVILLE, 36977348, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Moline, Illinois.

ROBERT C. REICHE, 35922826, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Euclid, Ohio.

THEODORE C. TRAPP, JR., 37742479, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Beverly, Kansas.

NATHAN VALENTI, 36978695, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Benton Harbor, Michigan.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL: - )

*Byron C. De La Motte*  
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Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.  
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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*Thelma J. Beck*  
*24 Sept. 1945*

1 September 1945

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*11/2/45*

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NUMBER 667)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

MEICHER M. ARROYO, 39156643, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Anaheim, California.

JACKIE L. BARNES, 38559540, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Austin, Texas.

JOSEPH BRAY, 34883587, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

PAUL J. BRINKWORTH, 12131168, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

FREDERICK COWART, 3229354, Sergeant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jefferson, Georgia.

GEORGE F. DIEHL, 33795930, Corporal, Infantry, Headquarters First Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

DONALD P. EXNICIOUS, 38616386, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "F", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Houma, Louisiana.

KEITH L. FECKLEY, 37660392, Tech Sgt, Infantry, Headquarters Company Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

LLOYD F. FOSS, 42009302, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Stewartville, New Jersey.

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EDWIN C. GRIFFIN, 31460112, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Raymond, New Hampshire.

WALTER S. MC FARLANE, 32042334, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Davenport, New York.

THOMAS KIEWIERSKI, 42052013, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kings County, New York.

JOHN J. O'BRIEN, 32653398, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

LOUIS PEREZ, 39118420, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Decoto California.

LOREN T. PHILLIPS, 35002990, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Gallipolis, Ohio.

DOMINIC N. RIGGI, 33811362, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945, to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

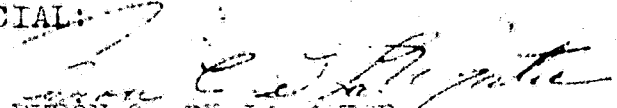
HENRY P. ROARK, 20755680, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C" 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Anderson, Missouri.

FRANK B. WOOD, 36447031, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rock Island, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

  
BYRON C. DE LA MATER  
Lt. Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Adjutant General

GENERAL ORDERS)

1 September 1945  
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NUMBER 668)

ORIGINAL ORDER

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

I. AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL -  
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ROBERT J. CRAIG, 32952872, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Spring Lake, New Jersey.

GOLDEN W. RATLIFF, 37591027, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bunker, Missouri.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

GIRARD ARCAD, 31417207, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Turner Falls, Massachusetts.

HOWARD W. COLLIER, 35135851, Technical Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jaeger, West Virginia.

RAYMOND O. HAGEN, 39196571, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bremerton, Washington.

RICHARD HITZEMAN, 36657955, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "H", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Elgin, Illinois.

LAWRENCE JAWORSKI, 32544968, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

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BILLY M. KEITH, 38608599, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Floydada, Texas.

HOWARD N. KLEIN, 12226895, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York, New York.

EUGENE N. KNAPP, 35204028, Corporal, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ripley, West Virginia.

JOHN M. KNESS, 42130585, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

JOHN J. MORAN, 32766145, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

EVERETT B. OLSON, 19103756, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

WILLIAM J. RIFTERY, 12163949, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West New York, New Jersey.

DANIEL H. SHEEHAN, 31294364, Corporal, Infantry, Company "E", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from East Boston, Massachusetts.

DURPHY J. SHOATS, 38491431, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lake Arthur, Louisiana.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.  
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Lt. Colonel, G. S. C.  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 410 US ARMY

*Approved by  
Major General*

1 September 1945

*W. J. Fitzgibbon*

GENERAL ORDERS)

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NUMBER 669)

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

CARL J. ADAMS, 35110644, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky. ✓

FREDERICK H. BING, 32999757, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dobbs Ferry, New York. ✓

DANIEL P. CARROLL, 52408454, Corporal, Ordnance, 763d Ordnance Company, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York City New York. ✓

ROBERT W. COMB, 32544058, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rochelle Park, New Jersey. ✓

DAVID R. COX, 6256801, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas. ✓

THOMAS C. DONAHUE, 32510326, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rye, New York. ✓

DAVIS G. DEHALL, 952129, Captain, Medical Corps, 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware. ✓

MILTON J. HALSTEAD, 51132769, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island. ✓

SEEFGER T. HOCKADAY, 0449046, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, Battery "B", 361st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lanexa, Virginia. ✓



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WARREN A. HUFF, 37211223, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Company "C", 363d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from El Dorado, Kansas.

JOHN E. KING, 31434447, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

EDWARD L. LLOYD, JR., 0440431, Captain, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Princeton, New Jersey.

MILAN MILKOVICH, 35699985, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN T. MOORE, 01176737, Captain, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Green Bay, Wisconsin.

MIKE MURRY, 38044266, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery Headquarters and Service Battery, 863d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

THEODORE R. PENNINGTON, 34814530, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Brownville, Alabama.

ALBERT R. STITZ, 33733260, Private First Class, Infantry, Cannon Company, 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

OFFICIAL:

EARLE G. WHEELER  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff

  
BYRON C. DE LA MOTTE  
Lt. Colonel, U. S. A.,  
Adjutant General

1 September 1945  
*M. G. ...*

GENERAL ORDERS)

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

FELIX M. ANGELILLIS, 32571254, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dumont, New Jersey.

JOHN D. AUGUSTINE, 12016854, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Dunkirk, New York.

GEORGE BILLINGS, 31338599, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Second Battalion, 25th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

VIRGIL C. BLEWIKOST, 0405281, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 802d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Syracuse Nebraska.

GORDON B. BORING, 34375668, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Johnson City, Tennessee.

PROSPERO CASTELLANO, 42046570, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, N.Y.

CLAIR S. HAMMER, 33572047, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 718th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo Mills, Pennsylvania.

WESLEY HICKS, 38587496, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Reddessa, Louisiana.

SUCENE B. KONCICKI, 36736792, Corporal, Field Artillery, Service Battery, 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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JOSEPH L. MESSER, W2124461, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Service Battery, 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

WILLIS H. SANDERSON, 01120032, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Aurora, Indiana.

JOHN C. SEASON, 0516659, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Lafayette, Indiana.

JOHN C. SNEY, 37178339, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Corps, Company "B", 383d Medical Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Le Center, Minnesota.

RALPH W. STROM, 36786032, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Victoria, Illinois.

WILLIAM THOMPSON, 6815874, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

ROBERT T. TRAVIS, 33948447, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Harrisville, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM E. VANDERROOT, 16105064, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Grand Haven, Michigan.

THOMAS H. MERRIN, 32999471, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 253d Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

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HEADQUARTERS 63D INFANTRY DIVISION  
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GENERAL ORDERS)  
NUMBER 671)

OFFICIAL ORDER # 3044

Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.....i  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....ii

I. AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JOSEPH G. CACIOFFO, 35922995, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

CLARENCE W. CYR, 026753, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "A", 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Niagara, Wisconsin.

ZURHA A. GOLLEHER, 39343709, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washougal, Washington.

HARRY N. HEGARDT, 39304827, Private, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Redman, Oregon.

JOEL M. LE SUEUR, 0314505, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ore Bank, Virginia.

MORRIS GINSBURG, 35079753, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 15 January 1945 to 28 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Williamson, West Virginia.

RICHARD C. THOMAS, 33144888, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 861st Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Homer City, Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

ELMER J. BALLOR, 36576944, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bentley, Michigan.

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ROBERT E. CREAMER, 31367214, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

WALTER A. KOWALSKI, 35849599, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Berea, Ohio.

EARL E. LAMOY, 32042282, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Chazy, New York.

FRED L. MYERS, 01058618, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

JOHN R. MORRIS, 34684829, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

ERNEST L. PAYETTE, 31227144, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "C", 862d Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New Bedford, Massachusetts.

JAMES V. RICHARDS, 39843149, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "I", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Towson, Maryland.

JEROME SHORE, 02907082, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

EDWARD H. TODD, 31074124, Private First Class, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Athol, Massachusetts.

HAROLD C. VAN HOOK, 37693001, Corporal, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Maxwell, Iowa.

CARROLL N. VITTUM, 31106902, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", 254th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Bristol, New Hampshire.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

1 September 1945

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*ORIGINAL ORDER 4*

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous).....  
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.....I

I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS) - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is Posthumously awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

JAMES J. MATTEUCCI, 39602336, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 18 March 1945, in France and Germany. Next of kin: Mrs. Emogene Matteucci (Wife), 406 6th Avenue, Great Falls, Montana.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

DAVID H. ADAMS, 35771984, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Tiefenbach, Germany. Under a heavy haze of enemy automatic weapons fire, Sergeant Adams set up his machine gun. From this position, he inflicted many casualties on the enemy until he was forced to leave when enemy machine guns concentrated on him. Under this heavy fire he displaced his gun and again set up positions. He resumed fire with such effectiveness that three enemy machine gun positions were eliminated, thus enabling the company to continue its advance and take their objective. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Adams reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Welch, West Virginia.

ROBERT E. BECK, 02005989, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "I", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Enshein, Germany. While waiting for an inevitable enemy counterattack, Lieutenant Beck moved from one position to another, checking each man so they could effectively defend the positions against the expected counterattack. While checking these positions, an intense enemy artillery barrage fell on them, wounding all the squad leaders, making it necessary for him to control the entire organization by himself. In order to reach all squads it was necessary to cross open space that was covered by enemy small arms and artillery fire. Despite the obstacles he continually moved about controlling his unit throughout the counterattack, successfully repulsing the enemy attack. The enemy, upon retiring, left fifty killed and seventy-five wounded. The outstanding leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Beck reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Englewood, N.J.

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FRANKLIN O. KILIAN, 31195637, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", 255th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 30 March 1945, in the vicinity of Heidelberg, Germany. When his platoon was held up by enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class Kilian crawled into the open, dangerously exposing himself to the enemy, to locate the gun. After locating the position he moved out over the open ground to the flank of the platoon exposing himself to heavy small arms fire so as to set up his gun in a much better position. He quickly put his gun into action and opened up with long bursts, killing the enemy machine gunner and allowing his platoon to once again move forward. The courage and devotion to duty of Private First Class Kilian reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Woodbridge, Connecticut.


FRANK M. KUZMANIC, 36912221, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "M", 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Orsch, Germany. When the enemy laid very heavy concentrations of artillery and mortar fire down, Sergeant Kuzmanic, under this heavy fire, led his men to safety. Upon reaching cover, he discovered three men were missing. Leaving his position of safety, he went back to them and was leading them to safety when he was seriously wounded; refusing to leave he remained until all had safely reached cover. By his actions, he undoubtedly saved his men and gained the respect and admiration of all those that knew him. The courage and devotion to duty of Sergeant Kuzmanic reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

MATTHEW C. RYAN, JR., 13120419, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 254th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 6 February 1945, in the vicinity of Kunheim, France. Sergeant Ryan volunteered to make a reconnaissance patrol to the Rhine River to obtain vital information concerning an enemy operated ferry. While he and another man were observing the ferry, they were discovered, and received direct machine gun and small arms fire from two enemy pillboxes. He refused to leave and remained until all information was obtained. He then returned that same night and destroyed the ferry that was being used to bring reinforcements to the enemy. His coolness and courage under fire enabled him to successfully carry out his mission and reflect credit upon himself and upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Charlottesville, Virginia.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

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

**TO:** Mr. Anton J. Ostir  
187 Bridge Street  
Joliet, Illinois

Paragraph of General Orders 673, Headquarters 63d Infantry Division, dated 1 September 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal which reads "Private" is amended to read "Private First Class".

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

*E. C. Hoag*  
Adjutant General

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GENERAL ORDERS)

ORIGINAL ORDER 3

1 September 1945

NUMBER 673) AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General to the following:

HAROLD J. BLOOMER, 31427435, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Watertown, Massachusetts.

THEOPHYL J. BRYL, 36290065, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

LEE R. BUNCH, 38211273, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Garland, Texas.

JOHN B. CLARK, 36330731, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Rock Island, Illinois.

JOHN L. GASEY, 6916954, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

THRULLIN R. HARRIS, 19051823, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Santa Clara, California.

JACK A. HARVILL, 38413275, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Fred, Texas.

ROBERT E. HESS, 35560563, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "E", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

RHYS T. LEWIS, 42025799, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Corning, New York.

CARREL MARTIN, 3135186, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement on 14 March 1945, in the vicinity of Sarreguemines, France. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

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JOY E. MC DANIEL, 35848755, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Hall, West Virginia.

WILLIAM T. HEAL, 37519838, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Lexington, Missouri.

ANTON J. OSBIR, 36766039, Private, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Joliet, Illinois.

EDWARD R. P. SCIUTTI, 32994690, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 63d Division Artillery, for meritorious service from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Astoria, New York.

FRANK C. REED, 42023004, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 January 1945 to 29 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oswego, New York.

CRUZ E. SERBANTEZ, 38372469, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Red Rock, Texas.

VINCENT SILVA, 31431390, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

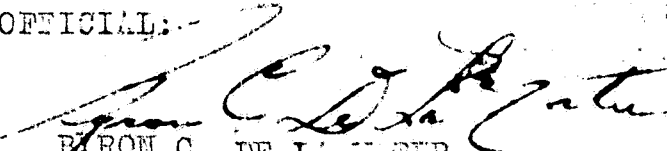
JOHN F. STRAUSS, 42113948, Private, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Amsterdam, New York.

RICHARD P. THIEL, 35227435, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "M", 255th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 22 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Edgerton, Ohio.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HARRIS:

CHARLE G. WHEELER  
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SECTION I - Award of Silver Star.  
SECTION II - Award of Bronze Star Medal.

### I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Silver Star is awarded to:

Technical Sergeant Joseph W. Hairston, 38147344, Company "L", \* \* \* Infantry, for gallantry in action near \* \* \*. On 10 March 1945, Technical Sergeant Hairston, a Company "L" Weapons Platoon Sergeant, led a volunteer four-man daylight patrol across the \* \* \* River. His patrol crossed the river in a rubber boat under direct hostile fire. As a result of his effectual leadership and advance planning, evidenced in the skillful employment of his patrol and coordination of supporting fire, his patrol succeeded in attacking a pillbox, killing two and forcing twelve enemy soldiers to surrender. Under heavy enemy fire, he returned, shuttling the prisoners and his patrol across the river in four separate crossings without loss. His outstanding courage under fire, initiative and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon Technical Sergeant Hairston and the Army of the United States.

### II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Staff Sergeant William R. Gray, Jr, 34854281, Company "L", \* \* \* Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an armed enemy near \* \* \*. On 10 March 1945, Staff Sergeant Gray, a Company "L" Squad Leader, crossed the \* \* \* River with a volunteer four-man daylight patrol in a rubber boat. Reaching the enemy held side of the river after a dangerous crossing under direct hostile fire, Staff Sergeant Gray and three comrades attacked a pillbox, killing two enemy soldiers and forcing twelve others to surrender. Staff Sergeant Gray and members of the patrol then succeeded in reaching the river bank with their prisoners, and while under heavy enemy fire, shuttled the prisoners across the river in four separate crossings without losses. His courage under fire and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon Staff Sergeant Gray and the Army of the United States.

Sgt Hubert Lee, 34466657, Company "L", \* \* \* Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an armed enemy near \* \* \*. On 10 March 1945, Sgt Lee, a Company "L" Assistant Squad Leader, crossed the \* \* \* River with a volunteer four-man daylight patrol in a rubber boat. Reaching the enemy held side of the river after a dangerous crossing under direct hostile fire, Sgt Lee and three comrades attacked a pillbox, killing two enemy soldiers and forcing twelve others to surrender. Sgt Lee and members of the patrol then succeeded in reaching the river bank with their prisoners, and while under heavy enemy fire, shuttled the prisoners across the river in four separate crossings without losses. His courage under fire and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon Sgt Lee and the Army of the United States.

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Technician fifth grade Nathan Lynch III (then Private first class), 34762304, Company "L", \* \* \* Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an armed enemy near \* \* \* \*. On 10 March 1945, Technician fifth grade Lynch, a Company "L" Light Mortar Crewman, crossed the \* \* \* River with a volunteer four-man daylight patrol in a rubber boat. Reaching the enemy held side of the river after a dangerous crossing under direct hostile fire, Technician fifth grade Lynch and three comrades attacked a pillbox, killing two enemy soldiers and forcing twelve others to surrender. Technician fifth grade Lynch and members of the patrol then succeeded in reaching the river bank with their prisoners, and while under heavy enemy fire, shuttled the prisoners across the river in four separate crossings without losses. His courage under fire and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon Technician fifth grade Lynch and the Army of the United States.

By command of Major General REINHART:

WILLIAM J. EPES,  
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain Harold E. Gould 025174, Infantry, \*\*\*\* Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near \* \* \* \* \*. On 11-12 March 1945, Captain Gould voluntarily led a twenty-man night combat patrol across the \* \* \* River in three assault boats. Upon reaching the enemy held side of the river, he led the patrol to an enemy observation and listening post, captured a German soldier, demolished a strongly reinforced building, and returned the patrol safely across the river. During the entire operation the patrol was exposed to intermittent automatic weapons fire and to enemy observation by illuminating flares fired from enemy positions. His superior leadership, courage and resourcefulness reflect great credit upon Captain Gould and the Army of the United States.

By command of Major General REINHART:

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SECTION I AWARD OF PURPLE HEART  
SECTION II AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

I AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to:

Technician Fifth Grade Raymond H. Wilson Jr. (Army Serial No. 33547164), Medical Department, United States Army, for wounds received in Germany on 12 March 1945.

Private First Class Charles D. Flure (Army Serial No. 36698545), Field Artillery, United States Army, for wounds received in Luxembourg on 1 March 1945.

II AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Private Richard M. Held (Army Serial No. 33416961), Field Artillery United States Army, for wounds received in Germany on 12 March 1945.

By command of Major General REINHART:

VILLIAM J. PFEF,  
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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following Officers and Enlisted Men, for wounds received in Germany on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE FOUNDED</u>
Major Fred L. Brundage, 0214195, Infantry	7 March 1945
Captain Raymond O. Wolfe, 0136404, Infantry	21 March 1945
First Lieutenant Alfred D. Lempert, 01056441, Infantry	18 March 1945
Second Lieutenant James H. Dickerson, 0555099, Infantry	18 March 1945
Second Lieutenant Earl S. Edmundson, 0555321, Infantry	11 March 1945
Second Lieutenant Eugene M. Hill, 0552140, Infantry	12 March 1945
Second Lieutenant Harry J. Simon, 0555600, Infantry	13 March 1945
Second Lieutenant Chester A. Simpson, 0558132, Infantry	17 March 1945
Staff Sergeant William R. Gray, 31854284, Infantry	11 March 1945
Staff Sergeant Dale K. Gulbransen, 39921338, Infantry	11 March 1945
Staff Sergeant Wilbur E. Hovi, 6902987, Infantry	9 March 1945
Sergeant Walter G. Arnold, 36824391, Infantry	13 March 1945
Sergeant Bruce L. Denial, 6968083, Infantry	11 March 1945
Sergeant David M. Dimberger, 27542094, Infantry	16 March 1945
Sergeant Frank R. Machcinski, 35222459, Infantry	9 March 1945
Sergeant Charles A. Scmulson, 37033904, Infantry	10 March 1945
Corporal James R. Kiely, 19012096, Infantry	17 March 1945
Technician Fifth Grade Jose P. Martinez, 38359810, Infantry	15 March 1945
Private First Class Albert L. Anderson, 34820765, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private First Class Richard N. Andrews, 33830385, Infantry	11 March 1945
Private First Class Alfred E. Cecchetti, 33916558, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private First Class Darvl D. Conroy, 39694008, Infantry	7 March 1945
Private First Class Roy R. Gibson, 37361211, Infantry	7 March 1945
Private First Class Andrew B. Hebert, 38417220, Infantry	11 March 1945
Private First Class Vernon W. Kesteloot, 36304501, Infantry	17 March 1945
Private First Class Wallace S. Mayo, 21400752, Infantry	16 March 1945
Private First Class Charles E. Prince, 37100600, Infantry	7 March 1945
Private First Class Joseph Racz, 42035173, Infantry	8 March 1945
Private First Class Stephen Rokosi, 36981922, Infantry	14 March 1945
Private First Class Walter J. Reinke, 36979334, Infantry	14 March 1945
Private First Class Ford R. Young, 37361211, Infantry	7 March 1945
Private First Class Edgar D. Zeak, 39586321, Infantry	12 March 1945
Private Paul T. Barnes, 34831045, Infantry	7 March 1945
Private Andrew Cordisco, 33931045, Corps of Engineers	11 March 1945
Private Theodore Dorn, 39342591, Infantry	9 March 1945
Private Jimmie R. Jeffers, 38599549, Field Artillery	16 March 1945
Private James V. Martin, 7005598, Infantry	22 March 1945
Private Frank T. Morrison, 37296177, Infantry	12 March 1945

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SECTION II REVOCATION IN GO NO 11 THIS HQ CS.

I AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-25, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following Officer and Enlisted Men, for wounds received in France on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>
Captain Robert C. Miller, 01822027, Field Artillery	9 October 1944
Corporal Henry A. Peresie Jr., 32417278, Field Artillery	9 October 1944
Technician Fifth Grade Marvin P. Lenning, 35109296, Field Artillery	1 November 1944
Private First Class Richard M. Held, 32416061, Field Artillery	9 October 1944
Private First Class John D. Neely, 38124005, Field Artillery	17 October 1944
Private First Class Martin J. Rick, 32458083, Field Artillery	1 November 1944
Private First Class Joseph J. Tomashunis, 32459053, Field Artillery	21 November 1944
Private First Class Joe A. Uryzo, 35425903, Field Artillery	27 November 1944
Private First Class Lloyd A. Fhorley, 32537722, Field Artillery	17 November 1944

II REVOCATION IN GO NO 11 THIS HQ CS

So much of General Orders No 11, *never issued and from* this headquarters, 2 April 1945, as awards the Purple Heart to Sergeant Edward P. Pfeiffer, 26508127, is revoked.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following Enlisted Men, for wounds received in Germany on dates indicated.

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE AWARDED</u>
Staff Sergeant Owen T. Burcham, 6862267, Infantry	7 March 1945
Staff Sergeant George F. Clark, 20212437, Infantry	13 March 1945
Technician Fifth Grade Vanzo F. Drennon Jr., 37657223, AA Artillery	20 March 1945
Technician Fifth Grade Albert J. Marincio, 36475102, Infantry	14 March 1945
Private First Class Daniel DeVita Jr., 10187429, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Talmage Chavis, 34663914, AA Artillery	20 March 1945
Private First Class John Csiti, 42104570, Infantry	8 March 1945
<del>Private First Class Harry F. Gover, 33772394, Infantry</del>	<del>19 March 1945</del>
Private Joseph J. Lindvay, 33934959, Infantry	21 March 1945
Private Harry W. Falker, 37626332, Cavalry	22 March 1945
Private Den S. Warren, 39585859, Infantry	19 March 1945

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- SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
- SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous Award)
- SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Missing in Action)
- SECTION IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
- SECTION V - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Silver Star is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel Charles G. Cooper, 0355465, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for gallantry in action near Dillingen, Germany. On 17 and 18 March 1945, Lieutenant Colonel Cooper, commander of the second battalion, repeatedly exposed himself to danger in leading his men to the successful accomplishment of their mission. He walked along the front, in full view of the enemy, shouting the needed encouragement to his men. He personally led a platoon across the Saar River. Later when communications with battalion headquarters were disrupted he calmly walked through mined territory to the forward company and led this company through mined and boobytrapped areas. Lieutenant Colonel Cooper's qualities of composure, leadership and courage were an inspiration to his men and are worthy of the highest tradition of the Army. Entered military service from South Carolina.

First Lieutenant John W. Carley 026571, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for gallantry in action near Waldwisse, France, on 10 March 1945. Lieutenant Carley, a Company "I" platoon leader, voluntarily led a four-man daylight reconnaissance patrol across the Saar River. Upon discovery of a well camouflaged pillbox on the enemy held side of the river, the patrol was subjected to heavy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Lt Carley continued to move forward; however, the increased intensity of fire eventually forced him to withdraw, but only after he had obtained valuable information. While withdrawing he repeatedly risked his life in an attempt to return his men safely. The devotion to duty which Lt Carley displayed reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous Award)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to:

Sergeant Murray Davis, 32003876, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Fremersdorf, Germany. On 9 March 1945, Sergeant Davis, a reconnaissance sergeant of Battery "B", was acting as forward observer. At 0720 and again at 1425, the enemy laid down an artillery and mortar barrage which covered the communications line each time. On each occasion Sergeant

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Davis and a fellow observer volunteered to repair the wire. They accomplished this under intense artillery and mortar fire, in full view of the enemy and with complete disregard for their own safety. Their courageous act enabled them to direct fire on and silence the hostile elements. His courage, ability and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Sergeant Davis and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Missing in Action)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Sergeant George W. Fendley, 14045108, Infantry, 261st Infantry, Missing in Action. For heroic achievement against an enemy of the United States near Waldwisso, France. On 10 March 1945, Sergeant Fendley, a Company "I" squad leader, crossed the Saar River with a four man daylight reconnaissance patrol. On the opposite shore the patrol was subjected to heavy enemy fire from a well camouflaged pillbox. Disregarding personal safety, Sergeant Fendley returned fire and hurled grenades at the pillbox before seeking cover himself. Later upon withdrawal across the river the patrol was forced to abandon the rubber boat. Sergeant Fendley was struck by enemy fire at that time and has been missing since. Throughout the operation Sergeant Fendley exhibited unusual eagerness and desire to carry the fight to the enemy. His aggressiveness and courage under fire reflect great credit upon Sergeant Fendley and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain Willard T. Dolman 0360703, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany. From 17 March to 21 March 1945, Captain Dolman, Commanding Company "K", led his troops for approximately 25 miles through enemy held territory. Before crossing the Saar River, Captain Dolman evacuated eleven German deserters from the opposite bank of the river exposing himself to possible enemy fire. He personally led his troops across the Prims River, in an attack resulting in the capture of Saarwellingen and pushed forward to drive approximately 400 of the enemy from the town of Hellenhausen. The qualities of courage and leadership which Captain Dolman demonstrated to his men are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Entered military service from California.

Captain Oliver L. Stone 0328303, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of Dillingen, Saarlautern and Saarwellingen, Germany. On 17 March 1945, "G" Company, of which Captain Stone was commander, was pinned down by enemy fire. Captain Stone, without regard for his own safety, braved enemy fire to reach a forward CP in order to direct supporting artillery. In full view of the enemy he repeatedly moved among his troops supervising and assisting them in crossing the river. When it became necessary to withdraw, Captain Stone continually risked his life to

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assure the withdrawal of every man. On 18-19 March 1945, Captain Stone's superb skill, courage and cool leadership in commanding his company resulted in the hasty withdrawal of the enemy and aided materially in the capture of Saarlautern and Saarwilligen. Entered military service from Texas.

Second Lieutenant John M. Hattala, 0555951, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Fremersdorf, Germany. On 10 March 1945 an "L" Company combat patrol with 12 prisoners was pinned down by enemy fire on the enemy held side of the Saar River with no means of recrossing the river to friendly lines. Lieutenant Hattala, observing the situation seized a rubber boat and paddled across the river. As a result of skillful planning he succeeded in shuttling the patrol and twelve prisoners back across the river in four crossings under heavy enemy fire in broad daylight. His effectual leadership, outstanding initiative and courage under fire reflect great credit upon Lieutenant Hattala and the military service. Entered military service from Nevada.

Staff Sergeant George R. Clement, 6578720, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Waldwisse, France. On 10 March 1945, Staff Sergeant Clement, a Company "I" squad leader, crossed the Saar River with a four man daylight reconnaissance patrol. When enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire forced the patrol to withdraw, Staff Sergeant Clement, without regard for his own safety, stood his ground and covered the withdrawal by hurling grenades at an enemy pillbox. Reaching the river's edge Staff Sergeant Clement plunged into the water and guided the boat containing the rest of the patrol, across the river until the intensity of fire forced abandonment of the boat. Staff Sergeant Clement's resourcefulness, courage under fire and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Corporal Jack C. Miodic 33417085, Field Artillery, 691st Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany. On 11 March 1945 the second platoon, Company "A", engaged in destroying enemy pillboxes, was brought under direct enemy anti-tank and small arms fire. Discovering that communications between his platoon's guns and the OP had been destroyed, Cpl Miodic, without regard for his personal safety, left his fox-hole and repaired the communications line while he was subjected to small arms and anti-tank fire under direct enemy observation. As a result of Cpl Miodic's act, the platoon was able to continue its fire on enemy installations and accomplish its mission. Cpl Miodic's conspicuous courage, initiative, and heroic act reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Elmer J. Walcott, 36890330, Medical Department, Medical Detachment 265th Engineer Combat Battalion, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Saarlautern, Germany. On 22 March 1945, Cpl Walcott was administering aid to an injured civilian in a heavily mined house when a fellow soldier stepped on a booby trap injuring his leg. Cpl Walcott warned others approaching of the danger and instructed his comrade to lie down. He then noticed that the injured man's head was resting on another booby trap. Calmly and with ingenuity he removed him from his precarious position, proceeded to improvise a splint and a litter, and carried him from the house, carefully avoiding other mines and booby traps. Cpl

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Walcott's cool judgment and heroism reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Jack C. Martin, 39215955, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Fremersdorf, Germany. On 9 March 1945, Technician Fifth Grade Martin, a wire corporal of Battery "B", was acting as forward observer. At 0720 and again at 1425 the enemy laid down an artillery and mortar barrage severing the communications each time. On each occasion Technician Fifth Grade Martin and a fellow observer volunteered to repair the wire. They accomplished this under intense artillery and mortar fire, in full view of the enemy and with complete disregard for their own safety. Their courageous act enabled them to direct fire on and silence the hostile elements. His courage, ability and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Technician Fifth Grade Martin and the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class James Shingobe, 17109809, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Waldwisse, France. On 10 March 1945 Pfc Shingobe, a Company "I" mortar gunner, crossed the Saar River with a four man daylight reconnaissance patrol. As the patrol prepared to assault a pillbox Pfc Shingobe observed an enemy soldier, fired at him and alerted the entire patrol. The ensuing enemy fire forced the patrol back across the river. On the return crossing the patrol was forced to abandon the boat and swim. On reaching the friendly shore Pfc Shingobe, still under enemy fire and without regard for his own life, crawled along the river bank and assisted other members of the patrol to safety. Pfc Shingobe's alertness, courage and heroism reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Ray Smith, 31408482, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Wallerfangen, Germany. On 17 March 1945, Pfc Smith was serving as a forward OP telephone operator of an 81 mm Mortar Platoon in support of two rifle company squads which had crossed the Saar River. Three times enemy fire severed the telephone line and each time Pfc Smith braved extremely heavy enemy mortar and 88mm fire to follow the line to the break, and repair the damage. Solely through Pfc Smith's courageous action, fire was adjusted enabling the two squads to return safely across the river with information of extreme value in influencing future tactics. The courage, initiative and ability of Pfc Smith uphold the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Connecticut.

V - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following Officers and Enlisted Men, for wounds received in Germany on dates indicated:

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<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>
Captain Harold R. Aaron, 026207, Infantry	10 March 1945
First Lieutenant Frederick J. Keifer Jr, 026927 Infantry	12 March 1945
Second Lieutenant Clifford D. Hensel 0549955 Infantry	10 March 1945
Technical Sergeant Frank Falk, Jr, 35501082, Infantry	18 March 1945
Staff Sergeant Joseph T. Behan, 37325836, Infantry	19 March 1945
Staff Sergeant John L. Inhof, 13060536, Infantry	20 March 1945
Staff Sergeant Clifford H. Schaake, 39214218, Infantry	22 March 1945
Technician Third Grade John M. Reinking, 17053439, Medical Department	18 March 1945
Sergeant William S. Griffin, 35810026, Infantry	12 March 1945
Sergeant Richard O. Hall, 6948097 Infantry	23 March 1945
Sergeant Elmer T. Hill, 39382361, Infantry	19 March 1945
Sergeant Edmund E. Korduszewski, 12028893, Infantry	23 March 1945
Sergeant Michael G. Murcko, 31104745, Infantry	18 March 1945
Sergeant John B. Perdue, 37054800, Infantry	18 March 1945
Technician Fourth Grade Charles N. Wright, 12003856, Medical Department	18 March 1945
Technician Fifth Grade John F. Goring, 33273239, Infantry	13 March 1945
Private First Class John S. Borowski, 36512590, Infantry	16 March 1945
Private First Class Donald R. Brown, 33350299, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private First Class George Christopolis, 31069795, Infantry	11 March 1945
Private First Class Joseph J. Ferrero, 32974381, Med- ical Department	19 March 1945
Private First Class Walter R. Geron, 42084947, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private First Class Anthony F. Gianninoto, 12020756, Infantry	22 March 1945
Private First Class Peter Laput, 12226472, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Remus J. Mackey, 36003329, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private First Class Clifford L. Odum, 36951752, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Bruce Peshlakai, 38013878, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Charles S. Rhoades, 42080776, Medical Department	20 March 1945
Private First Class Serapio Serenil, 38671009, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Owen L. Shutt, Jr, 35295984, Infantry	10 March 1945
Private First Class Edward J. Smith, 32873117, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private First Class Woodrow F. Smith, 20406515, Infantry	10 March 1945
Private First Class McClelland C. Snyder, 36979041, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Milton C. Stafford, 17140563, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private First Class Phillip W. Vessels, 36980965, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private Harvey E. Brandon, 34926037, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private Martin H. Clemens, 32416273, Infantry	15 March 1945
Private Robert H. McCutchin, 36837760, Medical Depart- ment	16 March 1945
Private Floyd H. Nobles, 6292060, Infantry	19 March 1945
Private Ralph E. Shepard, 37180968, Infantry	18 March 1945
Private Ernest B. Tompkins, 37594955, Infantry	19 March 1945

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Sergeant Ralph M. Towers, (then Private First Class), 39471443, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in action against an enemy of the United States near Dillingen, Germany. On the night of 16-17 March 1945, Sergeant Towers, a Company E scout, volunteered as a member of a combat patrol. Suddenly the crossfire from four enemy machine guns pinned down the patrol near a railway embankment. Sergeant Towers crawled to the top of the embankment, brought counterfire on the enemy guns and, firing his weapon, diverted attention from the remainder of the patrol. Creeping forward and silencing one machine gun with a grenade, he aided in covering the withdrawal of the patrol from the trap. The coolness, initiative and heroic courage exhibited by Sergeant Towers are worthy of the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Idaho.

Private First Class James L. Perryman, 37413348, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Dillingen, Germany. On the night of 16-17 March 1945 Private Perryman, an E Company automatic rifleman volunteered as a member of a patrol which crossed the Saar River. The patrol was surprised by four enemy soldiers, two of whom Private Perryman killed. Later he discovered an enemy pillbox and, when the occupants opened fire, Private Perryman, disregarding his own safety, returned fire to draw attention to himself while the patrol withdrew. Upon reaching the river bank Private Perryman swam across in an attempt to locate a means of transporting the remainder of the patrol back to safety. The courage and selflessness of Private Perryman are in keeping with high military tradition. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Claude L. Powell, 37573547, ~~MP~~, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Besseringen, Germany. On 16 March 1945 a member of a patrol pinned down near the Saar River, lay wounded on the river bank in full view of the enemy. Private Powell, of the 1st Battalion Medical Detachment, disregarding his own safety, crawled 150 yards under heavy enemy fire, to where the man lay. Forced to stand up in order to administer aid Private Powell nevertheless proceeded with his work and stayed with the injured man until he could be evacuated under cover of darkness. The bravery and skill displayed by Private Powell with the result saved the wounded man's life and reflect great credit on Private Powell and the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Private First Class Daniel E. Shea, 12239278, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Besseringen, Germany. On 16 March 1945 Private Shea, a member of a patrol which was pinned down by enemy fire, volunteered to crawl 150 yards over flat, open terrain to bring medical aid to a wounded comrade. Private Shea reached safety, located a medical aid man and led him back to the casualty over the same hazardous terrain. Only after assisting in the evacuation of the wounded man did Private Shea leave the scene of action. The courage and solicitude for his fellow comrade shown by Private Shea are in keeping with the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from New York.

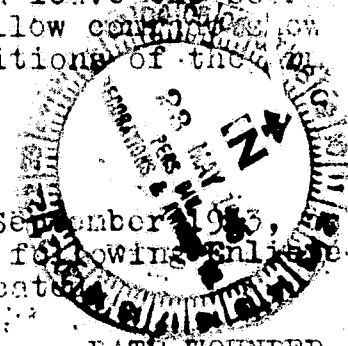
V - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following soldiers, for wounds received in Germany on dates indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>
Sergeant Benjamin F. Matuliewicz, 33511744, Infantry	6 April 1945
Technician Fifth Grade Dale E. Hulick, 37658263, AA	7 April 1945

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<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>
Private First Class Elmer M. Dahl, 37471424, AA Ar- tillery	5 April 1945
Private First Class James H. Hughes, 38519966, Infan- try	31 March 1945
Private First Class Harold H. Lau, 36670851, AA Artillery	4 April 1945
Private First Class Kenneth C. Nichols, 38682077, Inf- antry	31 March 1945
Private First Class Ernest R. Pearson, 31280938, AA Artillery	7 April 1945
Private First Class Charlie L. Townsend, 33662131, Infantry	31 March 1945
Private T. J. Stafford, 38446853, AA Artillery	4 April 1945

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous Award)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to:

Second Lieutenant Anthony C. Pallotta, 01014267, Infantry (armored), Company C, 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action 18 March 1945, near Saarlautern, Germany. Hearing that friendly infantry was pinned down and in need of ammunition, Lieutenant Pallotta loaded ammunition on his tank and drove across open terrain under hostile observation, disregarding the threat of enemy anti-tank weapons, and delivered one load of ammunition. While making a second attempt, his tank was knocked out and destroyed by an anti-tank gun. He was observed evacuating one man to safety. This brave officer was later found, killed in action, about eighty-five yards from his tank. Lieutenant Pallotta's gallantry 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 New Jersey.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Silver Star is awarded to:

Private Alphonse Mancini, 31249104, Infantry (armored), Company C, 748th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action in Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. During the bitter fighting in Saarlautern, Private Mancini was serving as a driver for a tank company officer. Upon learning that a wounded infantryman was pinned down in a house by enemy machine gun fire from another house, he borrowed a rifle, grenade launcher, and grenades, crossed a mined area under fire, eliminated the machine gun and its crew, placed the wounded soldier on his back, and carried him back across the mined area to safety. On the return trip he was again fired upon from enemy concealed in surrounding houses. His heroism and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous Award)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to:

Technical Sergeant Charles E. Weiper, 35130065, Infantry, 261st

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Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Dillingen, Germany. On 18 March 1945, Technical Sergeant Weiper was leading his platoon into Dillingen where the enemy had been resisting bitterly, and as a result strong opposition was expected. On two occasions, when the platoon was met by nothing but deathly silence, Technical Sergeant Weiper noticed his men falter slightly. Each time he halted the platoon and went forward, alone, to search the nearest building. On entering the second building a concealed booby trap exploded, instantly killing Technical Sergeant Weiper. The courage and leadership shown by Technical Sergeant Weiper set an example of lasting effect upon the men and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

#### IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

First Lieutenant Charles H. Pozarnsky, 0441294, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Besseringen, Germany. On 16 March 1945 Lieutenant Pozarnsky, leading his patrol across the Saar River on a fallen bridge, was halted by the intensity of fire and forced to take cover. At that time Lieutenant Pozarnsky noticed one of his men lying wounded nearby. Exposing himself to increasing enemy fire he crawled to the injured man, carefully carried him to a protected position and covered him with his field jacket. He remained with the injured man until medical aid arrived and then assisted in evacuating the casualty while still subject to heavy fire. The courage and selflessness shown by Lieutenant Pozarnsky reflect great credit upon him and the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

First Lieutenant John W. Stare, 01181468, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Dillingen, Germany. On 17 March 1945, Lieutenant Stare, assigned as forward observer with G Company, 261st Infantry, set up his OP on a hill overlooking the Saar River in an effort to relieve enemy pressure upon the men of this Company. Although his OP was subjected to incessant small arms and artillery fire Lieutenant Stare, without regard for his own safety, continued to adjust artillery fire on enemy targets. By his courage and cool deliberate thinking Lieutenant Stare was able to lay accurate fire on the enemy assisting immeasurably in evacuating Company G with a minimum of casualties. His heroic action, ability, and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Lieutenant Stare and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant Richard C. Barnes, 0549944, Infantry, 261st Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Dillingen, Germany. On 17 March 1945, Lieutenant Barnes led a daylight patrol of two squads across the Saar River. After gaining a railroad bridge which crossed the Prims River, the patrol was pinned down by enemy machine gun and artillery fire. Lieutenant Barnes was painfully wounded, but disregarding his personal safety he constantly moved among his men for four hours, controlling their fire and directing them to more advantageous positions. Slowly and skillfully he withdrew his men from their untenable position and recrossed the Saar River without the loss of a single man. The valor and fortitude exhibited reflect great credit upon Lieutenant Barnes and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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**I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous Award)**

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

Second Lieutenant Henry C. Ost, 0558401, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action near Melsungen, Germany. On the night of 31 March 1945 Lieutenant Ost, leading a patrol, ordered the occupants of an enemy held building to surrender, whereupon one of the enemy appeared in a doorway and opened fire on an enlisted man of the patrol. Lieutenant Ost, without a moment's hesitation, threw himself in the path of the bullet receiving a mortal wound, but at the same time saving the life of the enlisted man. In giving his life for another, Lieutenant Ost performed a deed never to be forgotten by his men. His outstanding courage and heroic selflessness reflect the greatest credit upon Lieutenant Ost and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

**II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR**

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Silver Star is awarded to:

First Lieutenant Frank E. Lamothe, Jr., 01116504, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action near Dillingen, Germany. On the night of 16-17 March 1945, Lieutenant Lamothe, a Company E platoon leader, was searching buildings with a patrol when it was surprised by two enemy soldiers who fled when fired upon. Lieutenant Lamothe pursued them, killed one in hand-to-hand combat and with the aid of another patrol member succeeded in killing the remaining enemy soldier. In spite of having alerted the enemy garrison Lieutenant Lamothe continued on, searching the two dead Germans and hurriedly flushing the remaining buildings before returning the patrol safely across the river. Lieutenant Lamothe's cool leadership and courage inspired his men to the successful completion of their mission and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Washington D. C.

Private First Class David T. Politzer, 16125469, Infantry 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action near Beiseforth, Germany. On 31 March 1945, the second Battalion commander, accompanied by Private Politzer, was inspecting a bridge over the Fulda River when the enemy suddenly opened up with machine-gun and small arms fire seriously wounding the commander. Private Politzer immediately returned fire and then without regard to his own life, lifted the commander to his feet and shielding him with his own body, carried him through a hail of fire to safety. His heroic action and unselfish devotion to duty bring the highest credit to Private Politzer and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain Prentiss H. Clayton, 0328220, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Eschwege, Germany. On 5 April 1945, Captain Clayton, senior tactical officer guarding the captured town of Eschwege was aware of potentially aggressive enemy action against his meager forces. By skillful organization of the few tactical troops and service elements at his disposal, he made maximum strategic use of his assets. Then, by personally leading a combat patrol, he successfully located centers of enemy concentrations upon which he later directed artillery fire and thus discouraged enemy attack. The courage, executive ability and unusual ingenuity shown by Captain Clayton are worthy of the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Florida.

Captain James H. Cook, 01048316, CAC, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery, Automatic Weapons, Battalion. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Konnefeld, Germany, on 2 April 1945. When the 65th Division was ordered to attack across the Fulda River, Captain Cook obtained information of the only available bridge. On his own initiative he set up antiaircraft coverage at the site and, in the absence of the traffic control agency, assumed the duty of estimating loads and of denying crossings to vehicles which might destroy the bridge. By his initiative, quick estimation of the situation and good judgment, an early crossing of the Fulda River was accomplished. This most noteworthy achievement by Captain Cook reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Sergeant Russell H. Weitzel, 37003269, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Dorna, Germany, 7 April 1945. When "I" Company withdrew from Dorna, Germany, First Sergeant Weitzel and 11 men were left to hold outposts until all men and equipment were cleared. Shortly thereafter the town was surrounded by enemy troops. Setting up a defensive position First Sergeant Weitzel and his men held out until ammunition was exhausted and 25 enemy soldiers killed. Knowing relief was imminent First Sergeant Weitzel surrendered. Later when the relief forces had pinned down the enemy and his own men, First Sergeant Weitzel, employing a clever ruse, brought about the surrender of 124 of the enemy. First Sergeant Weitzel's courage and cool deliberate action under pressure are a great credit to him and the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Joseph Carbone, 20210435, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Malsfeld, Germany. On 31 March 1945, Sergeant Carbone and two other enlisted men were assigned the task of constructing a footbridge over the Fulda River. In spite of heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, and with bullet landing inches from them these three men proceeded with their job and completed the bridge. This action enabled the second Battalion to cross the river and establish a bridgehead. Even after completion of the job these three men remained exposed to the enemy fire in order to assist others in crossing the bridge. Sergeant Carbone's courage and perseverance under such hazardous conditions are worthy of the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from New York.

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Staff Sergeant John C. Peacock, 38040763, Infantry (armored), 748th Tank Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, 18 March 1945. Sergeant Peacock's tank had been supporting the attack of elements of the 65th Division just east of Saarlautern. Having exhausted his supply of ammunition, he began to withdraw toward the town to reload. While still in the open and under sniper and mortar fire, Sergeant Peacock discovered two wounded American Infantrymen lying in the field. With his driver he dismounted, exposing himself to the enemy fire, loaded the wounded men on his tank and brought them back to the aid station. Sergeant Peacock's heroism reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Third Grade Robert A. Stacy, 33400763, Medical Department, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. When their vehicle and a truck were involved in an accident caused by enemy machine-gun fire, Technician Stacy and a medical officer were the only ones of five passengers uninjured. Technician Stacy and the officer started to aid the injured when the officer was shot through both legs. Technician Stacy carried on alone aiding the officer and then crawling about under intense machine-gun and sniper fire aiding the other injured men. Technician Stacy, without thought of his own safety, though constantly under fire, continued to aid the injured until relief arrived. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Technician Stacy and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Clarence R. Walters, 38431725, Infantry (armored), 748th Tank Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. Technician Walters' tank had been supporting the attack of elements of the 65th Division just east of Saarlautern, Germany. Having exhausted his supply of ammunition, he began to withdraw toward the town to reload. While still in the open and under sniper and mortar fire, Technician Walters discovered two wounded American Infantrymen lying in the field. With his tank commander, he dismounted, exposed himself to the enemy fire, loaded the wounded men on his tank and brought them back to the aid station. Technician Walters' heroism reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal Arnold J. Dodge, 31427036, Medical Department, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. Corporal Dodge, with full knowledge of the hazard involved, risked his life to rescue an injured soldier pinned in a truck within enemy lines. Braving heavy enemy machine-gun and sniper fire Corporal Dodge skillfully removed the injured man from the truck, splinted his fractured leg, obtained a litter and carried him to a waiting vehicle. As the vehicle ran the gauntlet of machine-gun and 88mm fire back to friendly lines, Corporal Dodge steadied the litter and calmed the injured man. His courage, selflessness and devotion to duty bring great credit to Corporal Dodge and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class George R. Dunn, 42061085, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Malsfeld, Germany. On 31 March 1945 Private Dunn and two other enlisted men were assigned the task of constructing a footbridge over the Fulda River. In spite of heavy enemy machine-gun and sniper fire and with bullets landing inches from them these three men proceeded with their job

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and completed the bridge. This action enabled the second Battalion to cross the river and establish a bridgehead. Even after completion of the job these three men remained exposed to the enemy fire in order to assist others in crossing the bridge. Private Dunn's courage and perseverance under such hazardous conditions are worthy of the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Manual J. Gonzales, 42000662, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Malsfeld, Germany. On 31 March 1945, Private Gonzales and two other enlisted men were assigned the task of constructing a footbridge over the Fulda River. In spite of heavy enemy machine-gun and sniper fire and with bullets landing inches from them these three men proceeded with their job and completed the bridge. This action enabled the second Battalion to cross the river and establish a bridgehead. Even after completion of the job these three men remained exposed to the enemy fire in order to assist others in crossing the bridge. Private Gonzales' courage and perseverance under such hazardous conditions are worthy of the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain Arthur B. Majdoch, 01106921, Corps of Engineers, 265th Engineer Combat Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Eastern France and Germany, from 5 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant Joe Cowan, 37240917, Corps of Engineers, 265th Engineer Combat Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Eastern France and Germany, from 6 March 1945 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

IV - AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named Officers for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

First Lieutenant George B. Brown, Jr, 026623, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant William R. Dodd, 01179371, Field Artillery, Hq 65th Division Artillery, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Alabama.

First Lieutenant Rollie F. Gallagher, 01179858, Field Artillery, 867th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Oregon.

First Lieutenant Robert W. Hellriegel, 01170001, Field Artillery, 720th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant Jerald B. Ingle, 01176382, Field Artillery, 867th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

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First Lieutenant Cameron E. Kepler, 01182882, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant George W. Knoff, 01176695, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant Bill M. Latham, 0389647, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Jay C. Leatherman, 01177499, Field Artillery, 867th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Robert L. Moninger, 0522618, Field Artillery, 867th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 3 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

First Lieutenant George S. Wicker, 01182996, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

First Lieutenant Roland F. Bondt, 01175612, Field Artillery, 720th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.


Second Lieutenant Harry W. Larson, 0534940, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Oregon.

Second Lieutenant James L. McKendree, Jr., 0536189, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, from 9 March 1945 to 4 April 1945. Entered military service from Florida.

By command of Major General REINHART:

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Posthumous Award)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously to:

Staff Sergeant Richard W. Boeglin, 31445393, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action at Dorna, Germany, on 7 April 1944. When forced to withdraw from outpost positions as a result of enemy attack, Sergeant Boeglin, a light machine-gun section leader, saw that his men lacked time to prepare adequate defenses. Without regard to his own life, Sergeant Boeglin left his protected position and, singlehandedly, engaged the enemy in a duel of fire. By diverting the enemy in this manner, his men were afforded the necessary time to fortify their positions and continue a rear guard action. During the operation Sergeant Boeglin was mortally wounded. His outstanding valor and courageous leadership reflect the highest credit upon Sergeant Boeglin and the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Second Lieutenant Charles L. Ely, 0552142, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For gallantry in action at Saarlautern, Germany on 18 March 1945. During the attack on Saarlautern, Lieutenant Ely distinguished himself on several occasions. When two mortar squads had dropped out of action, he worked his way back through enemy machine-gun fire and reactivated them. Later, when fire from an enemy pillbox raked front line positions, he walked through a barrage of artillery to locate and direct tanks against the enemy positions. Again braving intense enemy fire, he personally reorganized positions of forward elements against an enemy counter-attack. During this action Lieutenant Ely lost his life, but the aggressiveness and courage he displayed will continue as an inspiration to his men. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Joseph Hecht, 32216380, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For gallantry in action in Saarlautern, Germany on 18 March 1945. On the morning of 18 March 1945, a Company F rifle squad, commanded by Sergeant Hecht, was caught in the open by grazing fire from a German machine-gun emplacement which was also inflicting casualties on the entire platoon. Showing no hesitancy and at the cost of his life, Sergeant Hecht charged the gun emplacement singlehandedly in an effort to destroy it. As a result of his heroic action, his men were afforded the needed time to secure cover. His undaunted courage in sacrificing his life for the men of his squad reflects the highest credit upon Sergeant Hecht and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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Second Lieutenant John G. Solar, 0558131, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For gallantry in action in Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. During offensive operations against the enemy on the morning of 18 March 1945 in Saarlautern, Germany, Lieutenant Solar and the platoon which he commanded were pinned down behind a rockpile by enemy machine-gun fire. In order to continue the attack across the street, Lieutenant Solar reorganized his platoon under hazardous conditions. Without any hesitation, he started across the street alone after he had instructed his platoon to follow him if he were successful. In crossing he was struck by enemy machine-gun fire and was instantly killed. Lieutenant Solar's leadership and courageous devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

### II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (Oak Leaf Cluster)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel Carl E. Bethers, 0290937, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For gallantry in action in Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. In full view of the enemy and in spite of raking fire from artillery, mortar and small arms, Colonel Bethers, Commanding the Second Battalion, proceeded directly to his company on the right flank in order to facilitate the battalion attack. Upon reaching the Company OP, he was momentarily knocked unconscious by fragmentation. Recovering consciousness, he refused evacuation and, in spite of intense pain, insisted upon directing the course of this company and relaying vitally important tactical information to the regimental commander. His fortitude and tenacity of purpose was a source of inspiration to his men and in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Ohio.

### III - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Captain Henry A. Barber, III, 025568, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For gallantry in action in Fraulautern, Germany, from 7 March to 10 March 1945. During this period two rifle companies were being harassed by enemy snipers. Captain Barber, although a heavy weapon Company Commander, organized several patrols to seek out and silence the snipers. Constantly encountering heavy mortar fire which wounded one of his men, Captain Barber continued until he had completely cleared the area. On 10 March, disregarding his own safety, he volunteered to guide medical aid men through heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to the rescue of two men who had been wounded, one of them fatally. His initiative, aggressiveness and outstanding courage under fire reflect the greatest credit upon Captain Barber and the military service. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Corporal Irving Fink, 32701701, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion. For gallantry in action in Struth, Germany, 7 April 1945. At the height of a vicious enemy counterattack, Corporal Fink and another enlisted man voluntarily endangered their lives in order to rescue a comrade lying in the town square. While returning the wounded man to safety, the soldier assisting Corporal Fink was mortally hurt and had to drag himself to the Infantry Command Post where he died a short time later. Although left by himself and facing murderous enemy fire, Corporal Fink continued the

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rescue. His solicitude for our wounded and his courage reflect the highest credit upon Corporal Fink and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Walter H. Offen, 37736084, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action near Geismar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. Private Offen, a Company G driver, while acting as a guide for a field artillery observer; stopped his jeep to render aid to three soldiers pinned beneath an overturned vehicle. Suddenly 12 German soldiers appeared. Ignoring their orders to surrender, Private Offen opened fire upon them, drawing intense fire upon himself. In spite of the overwhelming odds he continued to hold off the enemy until assistance arrived. This courageous and decisive action in the face of superior forces saved the lives of several men and reflects the highest credit upon Private Offen and the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class Welding D. Owen, Jr., 33886166, Corps of Engineers, 265th Engineer (C) Battalion. For gallantry in action at Saarlautern, Germany on 19 March 1945. When a tank, knocked out by mines, was found to be resting upon a necklace of unexploded anti-tank mines, Private Owen, knowing full well the extreme danger of his mission and in spite of deadly fire from nearby pillboxes, dashed to the tank and disarmed the unexploded mines. Due to a previous blast these mines were rendered very sensitive and subject to detonation by the slightest erroneous move. Private Owen's ability, ingenuity and outstanding courage reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Washington D. C.

Staff Sergeant Dorus L. Powell, 35867477, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action at Muhlhausen, Germany on 4 April 1945. Advancing with his platoon towards a bridge which he had been ordered to take and hold, Sergeant Powell saw a German soldier preparing to blow up the bridge. Racing forward, through a veritable hail of enemy fire, he seized the enemy soldier before he could detonate the charges and compelled him, at bayonet point to rip out all the wires. Still under heavy fire, he forced the German to remove six hundred pounds of dynamite from the bridge. This accomplishment permitted the successful advance of our armored forces. Sergeant Powell's alertness, courage and outstanding aggressiveness reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant William G. Sheehan, 31428808, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For gallantry in action at Saarlautern, Germany on 18 March 1945. When twelve riflemen of Company F were pinned down by heavy machine-gun fire from enemy pillboxes; Sergeant Sheehan, going to their support, led his machine-gun squad through heavy enemy fire and mine fields. Showing great skill in maintaining control of his squad under hazardous conditions, he neutralized the enemy fire, and provided the twelve riflemen an opportunity to withdraw. During the operation he suffered severe fragmentation wounds, the loss of his right arm, and the possible loss of his right eye as a result of a mine explosion. Sergeant Sheehan's outstanding courage, leadership and determination reflect the greatest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

#### IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Oak Leaf Cluster)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

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Captain James H. Cook, 01048326, CAC-AA, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery, AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Sergeant James D. Anderson, 38446603, CAC, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

First Lieutenant Clyde M. Ardin, 01321007, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. Lieutenant Ardin voluntarily lead a rescue party, under intense enemy fire in order to aid a wounded driver pinned beneath his truck. Reaching the scene of the accident, Lieutenant Ardin quickly determined the rescue procedure to be followed. When enemy fire made it impossible to continue the rescue work, Lieutenant Ardin exposed himself and manned the machine-gun on his truck. In so doing he neutralized enemy fire sufficiently to permit the completion of the rescue work and the evacuation of all personnel. Lieutenant Ardin's leadership, courage and perseverance are a great credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade Andrew J. Blossom, III., (then Private First Class) 39420343, Medical Department, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Werkel, Germany, on 31 March 1945. Technician Blossom was attached to Company K machine-gun platoon when the platoon was forced to cover by a fury of enemy fire. Hearing faint cry for help coming from among the forward elements Technician Blossom, without a moment's hesitation, left the comparative safety of his rear position and ran through a hail of machine-gun, mortar and 88mm fire to where the wounded man lay. The man was seriously wounded and Technician Blossom's timely and skillful first aid unquestionably saved his comrades life. His bravery, ability and unselfish response to the call for help are in keeping with the high traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered the military service from California.

Private First Class Gerald D. Bosley, 16010365, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Private Bosley and three other men volunteered to go forward under an intense barrage of enemy fire to evacuate seven injured men. Placing the needs of his fellow soldiers above his own safety Private Bosley advanced directly into fire within twenty yards of the enemy to accomplish the removal of the wounded. Three times he made the trip back to the battalion aid station disregarding enemy fire which sprayed the buildings and ground around him. Private Bosley's unselfish act and heroic devotion to duty resulted in the saving of the lives of seven men and are in keeping with the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Private First Class Glendal R. Brewer, (then Private) 37063225, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. Private Brewer was serving as a BAR man for the first platoon of Company E which was attacking an enemy fortified hill position. Suddenly the enemy opened up with heavy machine-gun crossfire followed up by a fierce counter-attack cutting off Private Brewer's platoon. With utter disregard for his own safety Private Brewer began firing his weapon and kept up a continuous stream until the enemy lost superiority and was forced to withdraw. Private Brewer's courage and heroism prevented possible annihilation of his platoon and are worthy of the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class Martin F. Broderick, 31429773, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Groszburschla, Germany. On 4 April 1945, Private Broderick, a Company H machine-gunner, and a fellow soldier were guarding a bridge over the Werra River. Observing a figure approaching, Private Broderick, covered by his companion, stepped forward to challenge. Discovering the person to be a German soldier he leaped forward, disarmed the enemy and forced him to call "Kamerad" to other enemy soldiers nearby. Fifteen members of a thirty-five man patrol surrendered. Their objective had been to destroy the bridge. The quick thinking and action of Private Broderick and his companion frustrated the enemy's plans. Private Broderick's courage and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Theodore C. Brown, 31080414, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Private Brown and three other men volunteered to go forward under an intense barrage of enemy fire to evacuate seven injured men. Placing the needs of his fellow soldiers above his own safety Private Brown advanced directly into fire within twenty yards of the enemy to accomplish the removal of the wounded. Three times he made the trip back to the battalion aid station disregarding enemy fire which sprayed the buildings and ground around him. Private Brown's unselfish act and heroic devotion to duty resulted in the saving of the lives of seven men and are in keeping with the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Colonel William E. Carraway, 015244, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany, during the period 17 March to 7 April 1945. Throughout the entire period Colonel Carraway, sagaciously and aggressively, led his regiment in a series of attacks which materially assisted the advance of our forces from the Saar River to a line beyond Eisenach, Germany. On one occasion in Struth, Germany, the Third Battalion 261st Infantry was bearing the brunt of a hostile counter-offensive. Colonel Carraway, displaying decisive leadership, rallied the reserve elements of his regiment, and then personally led his troops in checking and repelling the counter-offensive. Colonel Carraway's courage, executive ability and inspirational leadership reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Sergeant Richard W. Carroll, 35748011, CAC, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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First Lieutenant Claude E. Cooke, 01049774, CAC-AA, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Joseph R. Colletta, 33472841, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Saarlautern Germany, 18 March 1945. Private Colletta, a Company F Medical Aid Man undertook to rescue three wounded soldiers lying deep in enemy territory. Accompanied by another man, Private Colletta braved artillery and mortar fire from both enemy guns and our own. As he proceeded through heavily mined areas he was captured by the enemy and later released when the Germans retreated. Upon making his way back to friendly lines through our artillery fire, Private Colletta was able to report the withdrawal of the Germans. Private Colletta then guided a vehicle back through the mined areas to pick up the wounded men. His courageous action and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Private Colletta and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain Allen Crenshaw, Jr., 0447159, Medical Detachment, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class John L. Daves, 36951502, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Groszburschla, Germany. On 4 April 1945 Private Daves, a Company H machine gunner, and a fellow soldier guarding a bridge over the Werra River, observed a person approaching. As his companion stepped forward to challenge, Private Daves covered him with his machine-gun. The approaching individual was a leader of a thirty-five man German patrol whose objective was to destroy the bridge. Protected by Private Daves, the other enlisted man was able to bring about the surrender of the patrol leader and fifteen members, and to disperse the remaining men, thereby frustrating their plans. The courage and efficiency of Private Daves reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Truman E. Diamond, 14002293, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. Sergeant Diamond, together with an officer and an enlisted man, volunteered to drive three fourths of a mile under intense enemy fire to rescue a wounded driver pinned beneath his truck. Disregarding their own safety, these men, who were constantly subjected to enemy mortar, machine-gun and 88mm fire, freed the injured man from the vehicle and proceeded to evacuate him in their truck. Elements of H Company, pinned down by the enemy fire in the vicinity, were also picked up and returned to safety. The courage, bravery and selflessness shown by Sergeant Diamond reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

Staff Sergeant Richard L. Ginther, 35895898, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Fraulautern, Germany, from 5 March to 14 March 1945. Sergeant Ginther, a Company G Rifle Squad Leader, was in charge of carrying parties bringing food

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water and ammunition to two outposts which were exposed to direct fire from active pillboxes one hundred and fifty yards to the front. Sergeant Ginther made numerous trips to the outpost along a route which was under mortar, machine-gun and sniper fire. His careful planning and leadership kept the forward positions well supplied, without the loss of any men in the carrying parties. Sergeant Ginther's courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant Laconia H. Hance, 0550212, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Eastern France and Germany, from 3 March 1945 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade Richard L. Hatfield, 38515632, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, 5 April 1945. Technician Hatfield voluntarily undertook to guide and assist two rifle squads in releasing a driver trapped in an overturned two and one half ton truck seventy-five yards from the enemy. Although the rifle squads were pinned down by enemy fire a mile from the truck, Technician Hatfield and two companions decided to continue forward in order to release and evacuate the injured driver. In accomplishing their mission Technician Hatfield and his companions exposed themselves to constant danger from machine gun, mortar and 88mm fire. The courage and efficiency shown by Technician Hatfield reflect great credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Ray R. Hayden, 01048397, CAC-AA, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Albert H. Johnston, Jr., 31391809, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Hearing that a lineman had been gravely wounded Private Johnston and two litter bearers volunteered to go to his rescue. The wounded man had been struck by a mortar burst and lay in the street about six hundred yards from the battalion aid station. Although continually subjected to machine-gun and mortar fire, Private Johnston covered the distance safely, administered first aid and returned the wounded man to safety. By endangering his own life to save that of another, Private Johnston exemplified the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Captain Jack F. Kincannon, 01048445, CAC-AA, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal Joseph R. Kosack, 31416350, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Corporal Kosack and three other men volunteered to go forward under an intense barrage of enemy fire to evacuate seven injured men. Placing the needs of his fellow soldiers above his own safety Corporal Kosack advanced directly into fire

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within twenty yards of the enemy to accomplish the removal of the wounded. Three times he made the trip back to the battalion aid station disregarding enemy fire which sprayed the buildings and ground around him. Corporal Kosack's unselfish act and heroic devotion to duty resulted in the saving of the lives of seven men and are in keeping with the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant John E. Krenarik, 37471349, CAC, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Sergeant William A. Little, 37568472, CAC, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany, from 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Lewis McCallister, 35202885, Infantry, 26th Infantry. For heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany. On the night of 13 March 1945 an artillery shell dropped through the ceiling of a room occupied by Private McCallister and members of his platoon. It failed to explode, but the danger to the whole building was great. Without hesitation, Private McCallister seized the shell and carried it outside, thereby removing the threat of danger to his companions. Private McCallister's decisive action and resourcefulness reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Robert E. McCracken, 39216048, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. Corporal McCracken, together with an officer and an enlisted man, volunteered to drive three fourths of a mile under intense enemy fire to rescue a wounded driver pinned beneath his truck. Disregarding their own safety, these men, who were constantly subjected to enemy mortar, machine-gun and 88mm fire, freed the injured man from the vehicle and proceeded to evacuate him in their truck. Elements of H Company, pinned down by the enemy fire in the vicinity, were also picked up and returned to safety. The courage, bravery and selflessness shown by Corporal McCracken reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class John J. Mooney, 31391843, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Hearing that a lineman had been gravely wounded Private Mooney and two litter bearers volunteered to go to his rescue. The wounded man had been struck by a mortar burst and lay in the street about six hundred yards from the battalion aid station. Although continually subjected to machine-gun and mortar fire, Private Mooney covered the distance safely, administered first aid and returned the wounded man to safety. By endangering his own life to save that of another, Private Mooney exemplified the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant Reino Nurmi, 37323352, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany. On the night of 11 March 1945 an enemy artillery shell landed in a room occupied by Sergeant Nurmi and some of his platoon members, and failed to explode. Fearing that one of his men might stumble on the

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shell in the darkness and cause it to explode, Sergeant Nurni, without hesitation, picked up the projectile and removed it from the building. His bravery and consideration for the safety of his men reflect great credit upon Sergeant Nurni and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Lawrence D. Pearson, 35840609, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 19 March 1945. As a member of a volunteer five-man patrol attacking heavily fortified houses, Private Pearson distinguished himself by his achievement under terrific rocket and rifle grenade fire. With the enemy blasting away on two sides of the patrol, one of our soldiers was killed and another wounded. In spite of the intense machine gun and rifle fire to which he was subjected at all times, Private Pearson assisted in getting the wounded men back to safety. Private Pearson's courage under fire and his devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Marion J. Price, 39922739, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Hearing that a lineman had been gravely wounded Private Price and two litter-bearers volunteered to go to his rescue. The wounded man had been struck by a mortar bullet and lay in the street about six hundred yards from the battalion aid station. Although continually subjected to machine-gun and mortar fire, Private Price covered the distance safely, administered first aid and returned the wounded man to safety. By endangering his own life to save that of another Private Price exemplified the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Idaho.

Private Mike Santo, 35777815, Medical Department, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. Private Santo, a Company F Medical Aid Man, undertook to rescue three wounded soldiers lying deep in enemy territory. Accompanied by another man, Private Santo braved artillery and mortar fire from both enemy guns and our own. As he proceeded through heavily mined areas, he was captured by the enemy and later released when the Germans retreated. Upon making his way back to friendly lines through our artillery fire, Private Santo was able to report the withdrawal of the Germans. Private Santo then aided a vehicle through the mined areas to pick up the wounded men. His action and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Private Santo and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

First Lieutenant Earl T. Schmalle, 01547780, Medical Corps, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 8 March 1945. Lieutenant Schmalle and three other men volunteered to go forward under an intense barrage of enemy fire to evacuate seven injured men. Placing the needs of his fellow men above his own safety Lieutenant Schmalle advanced directly into the main twenty yards of the enemy to accomplish the removal of the wounded. Three times he made the trip back to the battalion aid station disregarding enemy fire which sprayed the buildings and ground around him. Lieutenant Schmalle's unselfish act and heroic devotion to duty resulted in the saving of the lives of seven men and are in keeping with the high traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Oregon.

Technician Fifth Grade Cecil C. Short, 35261365, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, from 16 March to 18 March 1945. During this period, Technician Short made twelve trips in his one-quarter ton truck across the Saar River between Saarlautern and Fraulautern, Germany. The bridge was under enemy observation and subject to heavy fire. On the night of 17 March 1945 he voluntarily transported an Engineer platoon across the river and in doing so, made ten additional trips under intense enemy fire. This accomplishment aided materially in the continuation of the advance against the enemy. The bravery and skill displayed by Technician Short reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

First Lieutenant Salvatore B. Simeone, 0550753, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Lisdorf, Germany, on 15 March 1945. While leading his platoon in the task of clearing buildings in Lisdorf, Germany, Lieutenant Simeone observed two enemy soldiers hiding in a cellar room. As an enemy soldier called out "We Surrender", he hurled a grenade out of the room at the searching party. Lieutenant Simeone immediately entered the room alone, firing his weapon as he entered. As a result of his action one enemy soldier was wounded and both were captured. Lieutenant Simeone's courage and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Second Lieutenant Harry J. Simon, 0555600, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Fraulautern, Germany, on 14 March 1945. When the cellar of a building, occupied by Lieutenant Simon and his platoon, was blown in by a charge placed by the enemy during the night, he and three of his men were partially buried. The enemy followed up the explosion with anti-tank grenades and heavy machine-gun fire. Extricating himself from the debris Lieutenant Simon, with amazing coolness, placed each man in a position affording maximum protection. He then coordinated supporting fire from platoons in the rear, placed smoke on the enemy positions and led his men to safety. Lieutenant Simon's courage, calmness and clear thinking reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private Joseph B. Skofstad, 36953946, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. Private Skofstad was in charge of a wire crew that became separated from its battalion. In spite of hazardous obstacles Private Skofstad urged his party forward. When pinned down by enemy fire, he talked by telephone to the rear, describing his position, in an effort to correlate his location with that of the Battalion Commander, and at the same time assisted greatly in the attack by reporting his observations of troop movements. Still under heavy enemy fire he left comparative safety to locate the Battalion Commander. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Private Skofstad and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Bobbie G. Spicer, 39476573, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Saarlautern, Germany. On 18 March 1945 Private Spicer, on several occasions, displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty. Knocked down by the concussion of an exploding shell, while standing guard at an outpost, he refused to be replaced and stayed on duty. Later, dur-

during the same barrage, when communications were knocked out, he volunteered to brave the heavy fire and make personal contact with the second platoon. Then, still under direct mortar and machine-gun fire, Private Spicer proceeded to repair the broken telephone lines restoring communications. His tenacity, aggressiveness and courage under fire reflect great credit upon Private Spicer and the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

Corporal Louis S. Vollano, 42051723, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Geismar, Germany, 5 April 1945. Corporal Vollano voluntarily undertook to guide and assist two rifle squads in releasing a driver trapped in an overturned two and one half ton truck seventy-five yards from the enemy. Although the rifle squads were pinned down by enemy fire a mile from the truck, Corporal Vollano and two companions decided to continue forward in order to release and evacuate the injured driver. In accomplishing their mission Corporal Vollano and his companions exposed themselves to constant danger from machine-gun, mortar and 88mm fire. The courage and efficiency shown by Corporal Vollano reflect great credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Paul W. Wolf, 33066917, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Mihla, Germany, on 4 April 1945. While pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Private Wolf noticed a comrade wounded by a shell burst. Without hesitation he left the safety of his fox-hole and assisted the wounded man to the road. He then ran up the road to his vehicle, turned it around, helped the wounded man into the vehicle and drove him to safety in the rear. During the entire time Private Wolf was subjected to enemy fire from an anti-tank gun, an 88mm gun and small arms. His decisiveness and courage helped to save the soldier's life and reflect great credit upon Private Wolf and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Captain Raymond O. Wolfe, 01286404, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Struth, Germany, 7 April 1945. Captain Wolfe's skillful and determined leadership was instrumental in rescuing a battalion of infantry which had been surrounded by a large enemy infantry and armored force. Although his supporting tanks had been delayed, Captain Wolfe realized the acuteness of the beleaguered battalion's plight and requested permission to go into the town without waiting for armored support. Upon receiving this authority, he engaged the enemy and succeeded in gaining access to the town. The outstanding courage and decisive leadership displayed by Captain Wolfe reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

VI - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART (Oak Leaf Cluster)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following named enlisted men whose wounds received in Germany on date indicated:

<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>
Sergeant Dale K. Fidler, 37039000, Field Artillery	9 March 1945

VII - AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in Germany on dates indicated:

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<u>RANK, NAME, ASN AND BRANCH</u>	<u>DATE WOUNDED</u>
Technician Fourth Grade Howard H. Hallman, 34595008, Field Artillery	9 March 1945
Private First Class Carl M. Brackett, 34595539, Field Artillery	9 March 1945

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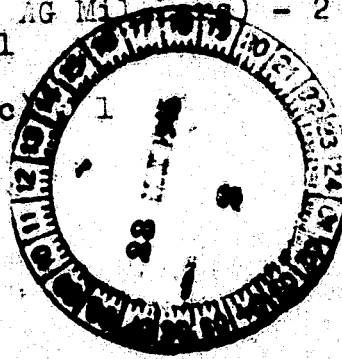
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**I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR**

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel John D. Cone, 017683, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action at Struth, Germany, on 7 April 1945. During an unexpected enemy attack Colonel Cone, commander of the Third Battalion, displayed extraordinary leadership and coolness in handling an extremely threatening situation. Although one enemy tank broke through and succeeded in blasting the command post, Colonel Cone, in the midst of the confusion, reorganized the command post and initiated measures for the counterattack. Personally reconnoitering the area under a continual hail of fire, he ascertained the strength of the enemy and devised new measures for defense until relief arrived. Colonel Cone's outstanding valor and inspirational leadership contributed materially to the courageous and successful resistance of his men against overwhelming odds. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Francis V. Fox, 02049555, Medical Administrative Corps, 259th Infantry. For gallantry in action at Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 to 19 March 1945. For twenty-four hours, Lieutenant Fox directed removal of casualties from the battlefield. Through mined areas and in the face of continued artillery, mortar and small arms fire he tirelessly sought out and brought aid to our wounded and dying. One after another, as his litter teams became exhausted, Lieutenant Fox organized fresh teams and continued relentlessly on his mission, assembling, in all, seven teams of litter bearers. Throughout the entire operation Lieutenant Fox personally led these teams without loss of a single man. His superb leadership, untiring devotion to duty and heroic courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade Harry E. Goldstein, 42052436, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For gallantry in action at Struth, Germany, on 7 April 1945. Seeing an enemy tank roaring towards his Battalion CP, Technician Goldstein, a message center clerk, ran through intense enemy fire to a place of concealment. When the tank was within close range he jumped out of hiding, caught the tank commander by surprise and, with deliberate aim, succeeded in killing him. The enemy tank, now partially blinded and with one machine-gun out of operation, fell easy prey to our Tank Destroyers. His complete disregard for his personal safety, his courage and alertness in fire reflect the highest credit upon Technician Goldstein and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Lieutenant Colonel Emory S. Hunt, Jr., 0362891, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For gallantry in action in Langensalza, Germany, on 6

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April 1945. Leading forward elements of his battalion, supported by five medium tanks and four tank destroyers, Colonel Hunt proceeded to the outskirts of Langensalza, Germany, and there captured one-hundred enemy troops. Despite excellent hostile observation, and continuous heavy fire from enemy small arms, machine-guns and 20mm automatic weapons, accompanied by air strafing and bombing, Colonel Hunt continued his advance through the town, personally supervising the removal of a road block, and captured the city inflicting approximately two-hundred casualties on the enemy and capturing one-hundred and sixty men. Colonel Hunt's outstanding qualities of leadership in directing his troops exemplifies the highest standards of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private Joseph J. Marcello, 35924471, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For gallantry in action at Saarlautern, Germany, On 18 March 1945, Private Marcello, while carrying a load of much needed ammunition to his machine-gun squad, was wounded in both legs. Realizing the urgency of his mission he carried on and delivered his load. Bandaging his own wounds, he completed a second trip before accepting first aid. Then before submitting to further medical attention, he helped man a machine-gun for four hours, materially assisting in breaking up an enemy counter attack. His fortitude, staunch determination and devotion to duty under the most trying circumstances reflect the highest credit upon Private Marcello and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

### II - AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Soldiers Medal is awarded to:

Private First Class Earl L. Sparks, 20367878, Medical Department, 259th Infantry. While a member of the armed forces of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, in Neufferweiler, Germany, on 11 March 1945. Returning from a vehicle collision where he had aided in the evacuation of four injured men, Private Sparks was hailed by a driver requesting information. Turning from the truck after answering the questions, Private Sparks saw a jeep rapidly approaching from the opposite direction directly toward an officer standing nearby. Instantly realizing the danger, he jumped into the path of the oncoming vehicle and pushed the officer to safety. Unable to avoid the jeep himself, he fell beneath the wheels, fracturing his foot. Private Sparks' courage and instant action despite grave personal danger to himself are a great credit to himself and military traditions. Entered military service from Virginia.

### III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Oak Leaf Cluster)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

First Lieutenant John W. Stare, 01181468, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, at Gelsonar, Germany, on 5 April 1945. Hearing of enemy troop concentrations, nearby, Lieutenant Stare, in spite of enemy machine-gun and small arms fire, moved forward to direct artillery fire upon these concentrations. Enroute he discovered six American vehicles and two squads of riflemen pinned down by strong enemy fire. Using his radio, he called for artillery fire to neutralize the enemy fire, disrupting their support to within seventy-five yards of his own



position. Lieutenant Stare's accuracy, daring and ability permitted the withdrawal of all the trapped men and vehicles and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous Award)

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Private First Class William M. Harminson, 36302556, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Fraulautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 10 March 1945, Private Harminson, a Company D driver volunteered to drive his jeep to a machine-gun position in order to evacuate a wounded soldier. As he drove through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Private Harminson received a wound which later resulted in his death; in spite of the seriousness of his wound, he continued to the gun position and reported to the platoon leader that his vehicle was available for the evacuation. His courage, fortitude and perseverance reflect the greatest credit upon Private Harminson and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Philip A. Walz, 12007352, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 18 March 1945 during an attack upon the enemy at Saarlautern, Germany, Private Walz, volunteered with another soldier to notify his Company that twelve men had become separated and were trapped in a cellar by intense machine-gun fire. Required to traverse a heavily mined area under a hail of machine-gun bullets, Private Walz was killed as he ran for assistance, but his companion accomplished the mission. Through the volunteer action of these two men, many lives were saved. The devotion to duty of Private Walz and his bravery in the face of extreme danger reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. 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 Circular Number 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as supplemented, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Staff Sergeant Robert R. Bain, 36547340, Infantry, 259th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 18 March 1945. After placing his three machine-gun squads in position on a fortified hill just taken by his unit, Sergeant Bain while checking the positions found a rifle squad which had lost its leader and had become disorganized. He quickly reorganized the squad and assumed command. Immediately after this, the enemy launched a fierce counterattack, employing automatic weapons at point-blank range. As a result of his leadership, Sergeant Bain resisted capture, and by effective control of his machine-gun and rifle fire forced the enemy to retreat. Sergeant Bain's decisive action and courageous devotion to duty are in keeping with the high traditions of the armed services. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Paul M. Barton, 33712000, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During the period 17 to 18 March 1945, when an attack was being launched by the Second Battalion at Saarlautern, Germany, Private Barton, in the midst of a continuous hail of bullets and mortar shells, kept the telephone

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lines in constant operation. For hours without rest and in the face of constant danger, he laid and repaired lines, with no regard for his own personal safety. The effectual work of Private Barton as well as his spirit of devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant William A. Bishop, 38599631, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, at Saarlautern, Germany. On 10 March 1945, Sergeant Bishop led a six-man patrol deep into enemy territory with the mission of determining the location of enemy gun emplacements. In the accomplishment of this mission, members of the patrol encountered stiff resistance and at several points were pinned down by heavy enemy machine-gun and mortar fire. Through shrewd planning and intelligent leadership, Sergeant Bishop was able to lead the patrol to the successful completion of the mission without sustaining a single casualty. His coolness under fire and his ability as a leader reflect great credit upon Sergeant Bishop and the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Corporal Henry G. Boyd, 14176045, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Fraulautern, Germany, on the night of 8 March 1945. Corporal Boyd, as a member of an observation party which was serving with forward elements of the Infantry, volunteered to repair wire lines to the Battalion Fire Direction Center, which had been damaged by enemy artillery and mortar fire, and without which it was impossible to conduct necessary fire missions. Although subject to direct and heavy artillery fire, Corporal Boyd repaired the wire lines, and reestablished communications. The courage, ability, and devotion to duty of Corporal Boyd reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the high standards of the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Wray W. Bunge, 36670686, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 9 March 1945. Private Bunge, serving as a rifleman, seeing that important communication lines between company and platoon command posts had been severed by enemy mortar fire, assumed the responsibility of repairing them. Without regard for his personal safety, and within close range of enemy small arms, he traced the telephone lines, discovered and repaired several break points, and thus re-established vital communications. During his mission, Private Bunge was pinned down for about twenty minutes by an intense hostile machine-gun concentration before he could continue his work. His initiative and personal bravery are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Elmer F. Burke, 42121269, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, on 5 April 1945. While enroute to Geismar, Germany as a member of a forward observing party in a radio jeep, enemy machine-gun fire forced Private Burke to jump from the vehicle into a roadside ditch occupied by Infantry units. Seeing that enemy riflemen only one hundred yards distant were firing upon himself and the Infantry elements, he rose from his relatively safe position exposing himself to enemy fire and with another man alternated in radioing for an artillery barrage upon the enemy. The resulting concentration not only released Private Burke and other men, including evacuation cases, but also two Infantry squads isolated in Geismar. Entered military service from New York.

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First Lieutenant Frederick C. Carleton, C1283209, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany. From 12 March 1945 to 19 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant Bernard L. Cutler, 0556193, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Muhlhausen, Germany, on 4 April 1945. Moving toward the outskirts of town, Lieutenant Cutler, commanding a reserve platoon, noticed an enemy soldier standing near a cave. Realizing the danger of an attack from the rear, he halted his platoon, and swiftly moved toward the cave. Finding the entrance unguarded, he called in German several times for the occupants to come out or "I'll turn all my fire power into the Cave". This action resulted in the surrender of forty-four enemy soldiers, all heavily armed. Lieutenant Cutler's immediate appraisal of the situation averted a probable attack from the rear and resulted in gaining important tactical information. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal Marvin O. Farley, 34795832, Field Artillery, 867th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, and Quierschied, Germany, from 18 March 1945 to 20 March 1945. During this time Corporal Farley was a member of an observation party working with leading elements of the Infantry. Although under incessant enemy machine-gun, artillery, and mortar fire, he relayed important fire mission to the Fire Control Center. Throughout the moving fire fight, he succeeded in keeping communications open at all times. During a continuous march into enemy territory on 20 March 1945, Corporal Farley assisted in the capture of twenty-two enemy officers and men in addition to maintaining communications. The exceptionally meritorious manner in which he fulfilled his mission and the courage shown by Corporal Farley reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

Sergeant Dennis D. Faulkner, (then Private First Class), 35203432, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany. On the morning of 13 March 1945, when an enemy mortar shell hit the upper floor of an outpost building occupied by Sergeant Faulkner and two companions, tons of grain were released burying them completely. Sergeant Faulkner managed to free himself and to extricate one companion. Realizing the need for more help in order to rescue the other companion, he ran, through a storm of machine-gun fire to another nearby outpost. Though his heroic attempt was unavailing in the second case, Sergeant Faulkner's herculean effort and his courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private Dudley M. Garvey, 39215508, Field Artillery, 869th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, on 5 April 1945. While enroute to Geisnar, Germany, as a member of a forward observing party in a radio jeep, enemy machine-gun fire forced Private Garvey to jump from the vehicle into a roadside ditch occupied by Infantry units. Seeing that enemy riflemen, only one hundred yards distant, were firing upon himself and the Infantry elements, he rose from his relatively safe position exposing himself to enemy fire and, with another man, alternated in radiating an artillery barrage upon the enemy. The resulting concern not only released Private Garvey and other men, including

cases, but also two Infantry squads isolated in Geismar. military service from Washington.

Staff Sergeant Franklin A. Gohlke, (then Sergeant), 38 Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 17 March 1945. When informed that two men had been trapped under falling timbers of an outpost building, Sergeant Gohlke volunteered to accompany another soldier in an attempted rescue. When they arrived, two of the men had freed themselves, but one remained pinned down. Though their position was continually raked by heavy machine-gun fire, the rescuers continued their work. When the imprisoned man was released, Sergeant Gohlke, still under fire, carried him upon his shoulders for seventy-five yards to another outpost. Sergeant Gohlke's bravery and willingness to risk his life for another reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant Harold G. Grant, 38466657, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, at Fraulautern, Germany, on 9 March 1945. When intense enemy mortar and shell fire severed wire connections between forward elements and the fire direction center, Sergeant Grant, acting as forward observer with the Infantry, in spite of a continuous hail of mortar shells, went out to an exposed position and repaired the wires. Accomplishing this mission at a time when communications were imperative, he contributed distinctly to the successful accomplishment of the Battalion's mission. Sergeant Grant's initiative and courage under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Sergeant Alfred J. Hassenstab, 37476425, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, during the period 8 March 1945 to 17 March 1945. Sergeant Hassenstab, performing his duty as a Company I Communications Sergeant, was frequently forced to leave the comparative safety of his position in order to maintain necessary communication lines between company and platoon command posts, as well as between all outposts. In spite of continuous hostile fire, the lines remained in operation at all times as a result of his work. On 17 March 1945 Sergeant Hassenstab was wounded, but until evacuated by aid men, he remained at his post and continued to repair vital wires. The devotion to duty shown by Sergeant Hassenstab is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Master Sergeant Kenneth C. Hay, 35405039, CAC, 546th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in France, Belgium and Germany. From 14 July 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Albert P. Hedrick, 39215926, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Fraulautern, Germany, on the night of 8 March 1945. Technician Hedrick, a member of an observation party which was serving with forward elements of the Infantry, volunteered to repair wire lines to the Battalion Fire Direction Center, which had been damaged by enemy artillery and mortar fire, and without which it was impossible to conduct necessary fire missions. Although subject to direct and heavy artillery fire, Technician Hedrick repaired the wire line, and reestablished communications. The courage

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ability, and devotion to duty of Technician Hedrick reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the high standards of the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

Corporal Joseph M. Kelly, (then Technician Fifth Grade), 33804956, Field Artillery, 867th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern and Quierschied, Germany, from 18 March 1945 to 20 March 1945. During this time Corporal Kelly was a member of an observation party working with leading elements of the Infantry. Although under incessant enemy machine-gun, artillery, and mortar fire, he relayed important fire missions to the Fire Control Center. Throughout the moving fire fight, he succeeded in keeping communications open at all times. During a continuous march into enemy territory on 20 March 1945, Corporal Kelly assisted in the capture of twenty-two enemy officers and men in addition to maintaining communications. The exceptionally meritorious manner in which he fulfilled his missions and the courage shown by Corporal Kelly reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Howard Kent, 35244900, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Struth, Germany, on 7 April 1945. When Private Kent, driving his jeep on a motorized patrol, was met by machine-gun and mortar fire, he remained at his mounted 30 caliber machine-gun. Swinging his gun into action, he observed eight enemy tanks racing toward friendly gasoline supply trucks with the obvious intent of capturing the fuel. Private Kent drove his jeep through enemy fire and in turn opened fire upon the supply vehicles, setting them aflame. He then turned his vehicle to pick up two wounded men despite the continuous fire directed upon him. Private Kent's quick appraisal of the situation and personal courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Henry D. Konisarz, 35319182, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Fraulautern, Germany. On 16 March 1945, when he was ordered to install and maintain a wire line from the Battalion Command Post to the Forward Observation Post, Technician Konisarz, a radio operator with Company F, carried out the orders under constant enemy observation and fire. Finding many road crossings, he elevated the lines in order to prevent damage by friendly tanks. This operation called for pole and tree climbing in full view of the enemy and under small arms fire. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Technician Konisarz and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Albert A. Laferriere, 31269104, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Fraulautern, Germany on 7 March 1945 to 9 March 1945. Despite the fact that patrolling was not a part of his regularly assigned duties, Sergeant Laferriere, a Company D Reconnaissance Sergeant, volunteered to organize a patrol to silence nests of snipers which had been making three main routes impassable. During the three days 7 March to 9 March 1945, he continued his patrolling, under constant firing from the snipers, until all nests had been cleared from the area. The success of his mission contributed materially to the advance of our men. Sergeant Laferriere's resourcefulness, courage under fire and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

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Corporal John Lambert, 16104842, Field Artillery, 868th Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, at Fraulautern, Germany. On 15 March 1945, when intense enemy mortar and shell fire severed wire connections between the forward elements and the Fire Direction Center, Corporal Lambert, acting as forward observer with the Infantry, went out to an exposed position and repaired the wire, in spite of incessant mortar concentrations. He accomplished this mission at a time when the maintenance of communications was imperative. His action contributed materially to the successful accomplishment of the Battalion's mission. The initiative and courage under fire shown by Corporal Lambert reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant Frank E. Lamothe, Jr., 01116504, Infantry, 261st Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Malsfeld, Germany, on 31 March 1945. Lieutenant Lamothe led his platoon across the Fulda River despite violent hostile machine-gun fire, to secure a small bridgehead and expedite construction of a footbridge. Upon placing his unit in position, he saw that one squad had been pinned down at the river's bank. Despite vicious machine-gun and sniper fire, Lieutenant Lamothe returned across an open field and rallied his men, leading them on. By bold action he then forced the enemy to retire. Lieutenant Lamothe's outstanding leadership and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Washington D. C.

Captain Ronald J. Lee, 01577467, Quartermaster Corps, 65th Quartermaster Company. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Eastern France and Germany. From 5 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant Alfred C. Levin, 12193304, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Saarlautern, Germany, on 9 March 1945. Sergeant Levin, serving as a communications Sergeant, seeing that important communications lines between company and platoon command posts had been severed by heavy enemy mortar fire, assumed the responsibility of repairing them. Without regard for his personal safety, and within close range of enemy small arms, he traced the telephone lines, discovered and repaired several break points, and thus restored vital communications. During his mission Sergeant Levin was pinned down for about twenty minutes by an intense hostile machine-gun concentration before he could continue his work. His initiative and personal bravery are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant Laddie J. Mayer, 36307634, Infantry (armor), 748th Tank Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Germany. From 1 February 1945 to 22 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant James T. McCorkle, Jr., 1857211, Infantry, 260th Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 11 March 1945 at Fraulautern, Germany, Sergeant McCorkle, a Company B Communications Sergeant, distinguished himself under fire on two separate occasions. While being constantly observed and fired upon by the enemy, he laid and repaired wire communications to all platoons and outposts. Later when the Company observation post had been hit by a mortar shell, he helped evacuate the wounded soldiers. Sergeant McCorkle's aggressiveness and outstanding courage under fire reflect great

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