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By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major DWIGHT HUNTER, 0391240, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 7, Section VI, General Orders No. 46, dated 5 September 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

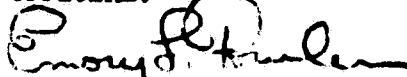
Major DWIGHT HUNTER, 0391240, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 4 February 1945 to 6 February 1945. A battalion commanded by Major HUNTER was assigned the mission of taking an important Japanese position near San Jose. After making a personal reconnaissance of the area, Major HUNTER found the Japanese were defending from a strongpoint, consisting of concrete and earth emplacements, dug-in tanks, 47mm guns, supported by machine guns and mortars. Major HUNTER decided to advance with two companies abreast. He secured a platoon of medium tanks to support both rifle companies. Prior to the attack Major HUNTER called for a heavy artillery barrage. He moved his troops up to within seventy-five yards of the artillery fire. The moment the barrage was lifted Major HUNTER ordered his troops forward in attack. They advanced so quickly that the enemy forward positions were overrun. Then Major HUNTER ordered a smoke screen and advanced the tanks to a forward firing position. In conjunction with the tanks his troops reduced the enemy positions and penetrated their entire defensive system. His aggressive leadership was an inspiration to his men and resulted in the successful accomplishment of the battalion's mission. Home address: Mrs. Alice A. Hunter, Wife, Iowa City, Iowa.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant MURRELL L. WATTS, 35487863, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 11, Section II, General Orders No. 44, dated 4 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant MURRELL L. WATTS, 35487863, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945. When a member of his squad was mortally wounded by enemy rifle fire, Sergeant WATTS rushed to the rescue of the wounded man. Despite the presence of hostile forces and thick undergrowth, Sergeant WATTS carried his comrade to the security of our lines. His courage in the presence of the enemy served as an inspiration to all his men and reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Watts, Wife, 503 West Market Street, New Albany, Indiana.

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APO 6

GENERAL ORDERS  
NUMBER 124

ORIGINAL ORDER -

29 June 1945

SECTION I - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART - POSTHUMOUSLY  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Section I - Awards of the Purple Heart - Posthumously

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private SERGIO ADONIS, 7082, Philippine Army. Killed in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Pacifico Adonis, Brother, Sibul, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Private CARLOS REYES, 7175, Philippine Army. Killed in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Teodora Halili, Mother, Magasawang Sapa, Sta. Maria, Bulacan.

Section II - Awards of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on the date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private ALEJANDRO AGUILAR, Philippine Army. On 10 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Juana de la Cruz, Mother, Hagunoy, Bulacan.

Private First Class BERNARDINO APOLINARIO, 7013, Philippine Army. On 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anastacia de la Cruz, Mother, Makinabang, Baliuag, Bulacan.

Corporal ANDRES ANINON, 7109, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margarita Ventura, Mother, Malolos, Bulacan.

Corporal ELADIO BUIDON, 7100, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Manuel Buidon, Father, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private First Class FRANCISCO CAIRO, 7075, Philippine Army. On 5 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Santos Cairo, Father, Maripepe, Leyte.

Corporal BIENVENIDO CRUZ, 7029, Philippine Army. On 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Ismael Cruz, Father, Malolos, Bulacan.

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Sergeant ANGEL DE LA CRUZ, 7116, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Miss Victoria de la Cruz, Sister, Longos, Malabon, Rizal.

Private First Class POLICARPIO ESTRELLA, 7045, Philippine Army. On 9 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Nicolas Estrella, Father, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private First Class PEDRO GUANZON, 7124, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Rosendo Guanzon, Father, Atlag, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private ELISEO GUBALLA, 7160, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agapital Guballa, Aunt, Magasawang Sapa, Sta. Maria, Bulacan.

Sergeant HERMOGENES JIMENEZ, 7010, Philippine Army. On 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cecilia Buison, Mother, Tiong, Baliwag, Bulacan.

Corporal HONORIO KATIPUNAN, 7019, Philippine Army. On 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maria Cunanan, Mother, Baliwag, Bulacan.

Private FEDERICO LAZARO, 7172, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Perpetua Agustin, Mother, Magasawang Sapa, Sta. Maria, Bulacan.

Sergeant FLAVIANO MERCADO, 7061, Philippine Army. On 9 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Juliana Cruz, Mother, Malolos, Bulacan.

Corporal CIRIACO NARCISO, 7168, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Trino Narciso, Father, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private MAXIMO ORTEGA, Philippine Army. On 13 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Gavino Ortega, Brother, Masagana, Bigaa, Bulacan.

Captain FELIPE C. SANTIAGO, 05030, Philippine Army. On 18 June 1945. Home address: Dr. Cristobal Santiago, Father, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private ANCEL SANTOS, 7311, Philippine Army. On 3 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Juana Tamayo, Mother, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

First Lieutenant URIAS TORRES, Philippine Army. On 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Salome Santiago, Wife, Calumpit, Bulacan.

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GENERAL ORDERS  
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30 June 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER

SECTION I - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION III - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

Section - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 13 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT H. GREEN, JR., 34540419, Cavalry, United States Army. Near the Payaman Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945, Technician GREEN saw the lead armored car of a patrol ambushed by the enemy. The crew were trying to dismount from the disabled armored car under intense enemy rifle and machine gun fire. Technician GREEN, with utter disregard for his own safety, stood exposed in the turret of his vehicle and placed 37mm gun fire upon the enemy. He succeeded in drawing the enemy fire upon himself, thus enabling his comrades to advance and rescue the men. After the wounded had been evacuated, Technician GREEN, still under enemy fire, turned his gun on the damaged vehicle and completely destroyed it to prevent it from falling into enemy hands. Home address: Mrs. Barbara H. Green, Wife, Box 293, North Miami, Florida.

Technical Sergeant CARL J. HABERMAN, 37029538, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, the patrol which Sergeant HABERMAN had volunteered to lead was halted by enemy rifle fire. Sergeant HABERMAN crawled seventy-five yards to the flank and, despite heavy fire, succeeded in killing two enemy riflemen. As he continued to move forward he was fired upon by enemy located in a cave. He worked his way to within throwing distance of the cave and hurled grenades into the mouth of the cave. Three Japanese were killed and a machine gun destroyed. His intrepid action enabled the patrol to continue its mission without suffering a single casualty. Home address: Mrs. Ida Haberman, Mother, Barnoy, North Dakota.

Captain RAYMOND H. HENSLEY, 01293949, Infantry, United States Army. Near Togalog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945, the advance of Captain HENSLEY'S company up a narrow mountain trail was halted by enemy machine gun fire. While Captain HENSLEY was forward surveying the situation, another machine gun opened fire, severely wounding one of his men in the abdomen and in the back near the spine. Realizing that the wounded man could not move from his exposed position, Captain HENSLEY ran across open terrain and maneuvered to a position from which he could place excellent covering fire on the enemy so that the casualty could be removed to a covered position. He remained and protected the wounded man until a litter team reached the casualty and carried him to safety. Home address: Mrs. Beverly K. Hensley, Wife, 8356 Curzon Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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Technical Sergeant ARVID OLSON, 37029759, Infantry, United States Army. On the evening of 16 June 1945 in the vicinity of Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Sergeant OLSON'S platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire coming from enemy concealed in bamboo thickets approximately seven hundred yards to the front of the patrol. Sergeant OLSON moved about his patrol and learned that four of his men were killed and another wounded. Because of the heavy machine gun fire, evacuation was not feasible at the time. Sergeant OLSON then exposed himself to enemy observation so that he could pinpoint the enemy. He ordered his support squad to flank the enemy positions, while he formed a base of fire with the remainder of his platoon. As the flanking elements of the platoon neared its objective, the enemy attempted to withdraw. Sergeant OLSON designated men to remain with the wounded man. He then led the remainder of the platoon in an assault through the thickets, destroying all hostile elements and succeeded in seizing the objective without further loss. Home address: Mrs. Anna Olson, Mother, Route #1, Hettinger, North Dakota.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class ARTHUR R. ANDERSON, 37029548, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945, the advance of his patrol was stopped by enemy machine gun fire from a well concealed enemy position. Private ANDERSON immediately maneuvered to a position from which he was able to locate the enemy pillbox. Three direct hits from his rocket launcher neutralized the enemy position and accounted for five enemy dead. His courageous act enabled the patrol to continue its advance and accomplish its mission. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Anderson, Mother, Starbuck, Minnesota.

Private First Class HAROLD C. COLEMAN, 36475185, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945, Private COLEMAN'S platoon was pinned down by machine gun fire from an enemy emplacement located on commanding ground. Private COLEMAN, despite enemy sniper and machine gun fire, worked his way to within five yards of the position and placed accurate fire directly into the aperture of the emplacement. The emplacement was destroyed and the enemy killed by tossing hand grenades into the position. His heroic act enabled his platoon to advance and seize the high ground. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Coleman, Mother, O'Fallen, Illinois.

Private First Class JAMES A. JOHNSON, 38342242, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, two advancing infantry platoons, attempting to effect a junction, were within hailing distance when the enemy opened fire. Cross-fire pinned Private JOHNSON'S platoon to the ground. On his own initiative, Private JOHNSON worked his way to an advantageous

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position on the flank and located the enemy position. His accurate fire destroyed two machine guns and killed nine of the enemy. Private JOHNSON then, voluntarily, assisted with the evacuation of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. James A. Johnson, Wife, Route #2, Happy, Texas.

Private First Class CARROLL S. KEY, 38731199, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, enemy machine gun and rifle fire pinned down Private KEY'S platoon. Private KEY crawled through heavy undergrowth to a position from which he was able to bring fire on the enemy machine gun emplacements, destroying two machine guns and killing nine of the enemy. Then, despite intense sniper fire, Private KEY, voluntarily, assisted with the evacuation of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Stella M. Key, Mother, Route #2, Box 104, Gordon, Arkansas.

Private First Class JAMES C. LEBERT, 31272015, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Private LEBERT'S platoon was pinned down by enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Private LEBERT crawled forward through heavy undergrowth to an advantageous position from which he was able to bring effective fire on two enemy machine gun emplacements, destroying two machine guns and killing nine of the enemy. Despite heavy enemy sniper fire, Private LEBERT then, voluntarily, assisted with the evacuation of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. James Lebert, Mother, 316 South Main Street, Deep River, Connecticut.

Corporal FRED E. MANNING, 35774096, Cavalry, United States Army. While on a reconnaissance mission near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945, one of our armored cars was ambushed by the enemy and knocked out. As the crew dismounted, enemy machine guns opened fire on them, causing several casualties. Corporal MANNING rushed to the aid of the wounded men. Under intense enemy small arms and machine gun fire, he succeeded in reaching the wounded and carried one of them to safety. Home address: Mrs. Dixie E. Manning, Wife, Jacobs, Kentucky.

Private First Class TROY F. PYLAND, 38019142, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, Private PYLAND was acting as a radio operator with a forward observer party. He brought his radio forward and put it into operation while under heavy sniper fire. Private PYLAND was wounded by a fragment from a hand grenade and, though two more grenades landed within five feet of his position, he remained at his post and called for artillery support. Private PYLAND did not leave his radio until an hour later when the objective of our forces had been taken and secured. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Pyland, Mother, Route #1, Talihina, Oklahoma.

Section III - Amendment of General Orders

So much of Section III, General Order No. 120, this headquarters, dated 26 June 1945 as pertains to Private First Class DONALD M. EBERT, 36907940, Infantry, is revoked.

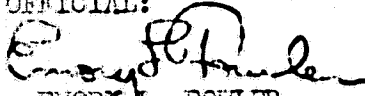
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So much of Section I, General Orders No. 122, this headquarters, dated 27 June 1945 as pertains to Staff Sergeant JAMES P. BRYANT, 33094800, Infantry, as reads "a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously" is deleted and the following substituted therefor: "in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant JAMES P. BRYANT, 33094800, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 33, dated 24 March 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him, posthumously".

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GENERAL ORDERS  
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ORIGINAL ORDER 7

1 July 1945

- SECTION I - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL
- SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
- SECTION III - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

Section I - Award of Soldier's Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull 8 WD 1926) and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and paragraph 3g, USAFFE Regulations 10-50, 17 August 1943, Subject: "Award of Decorations", a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class ROBERT H. HOLDEN, 37502656, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. In the vicinity of Bagabag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 June 1945, at great risk to his own life, Private HOLDEN went to the assistance of an infantryman who had been carried under the surface of the Lamut river and was in immediate danger of drowning. The infantryman was swept from his feet by the swift current while fording the stream with his rifle company. Private HOLDEN, who was working with an engineer platoon on a bridge a short distance downstream, heard the cry for help and dove into the water as the man was carried by his position. He succeeded in reaching the drowning man and, with great difficulty, brought the man to shore where he was revived. Private HOLDEN'S heroic act saved the life of the drowning soldier and his unselfish courage brings highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Edna Holden, Mother, 826 Indiana, Joplin, Missouri.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9119, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant FRANK J. BAUER, JR., 01045337, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 24 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor A. Bauer, Wife, 381 Anderson Street, Hackensack, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant GERALD A. DAWES, 17023870, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 7 June 1945 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Darnett L. Dawes, Father, 513 North Joplin Street, Joplin, Missouri.

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Private First Class JOHN W. FEELY, 39201925, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 June 1945 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella Feely, Mother, Box 117, Kingston, Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES L. JENSEN, 17025462, Medical Department, United States Army. At Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. James Jensen, Father, 140 East Rose Street, Owatonna, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade OSCAR P. JENSEN, 37081363, Cavalry, United States Army. At Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hilda A. Napper, Mother, Box 187, Grafton, North Dakota.

Private First Class CALVIN D. KNOTTS, 35905611, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bayombong, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Carl Knotts, Father, Route #3, Marion, Indiana.

Private First Class RALPH E. LANDERHOLM, 39140076, Cavalry, United States Army. At Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen L. Landerholm, Mother, 4535 N.E. 35th Place, Portland, Oregon.

First Sergeant VIRGIL L. McANALLY, 6285938, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rachel K. McAnally, Wife, 1100 South Robinson Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Technical Sergeant ERNEST M. MEYER, 37023685, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma M. Meyer, Wife, 615 East A Street, Iron Mountain, Michigan.

Private First Class JOE A. RUSSIAN, 36644715, Infantry, United States Army. Near Santo Domingo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Russian, Mother, 117 Ellsworth Street, Westville, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant SHELLY E. SELLERS, 37000826, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Miss Mary M. Sellers, Sister, 608 West Emma Avenue, Springdale, Arkansas.

First Sergeant LEROY SKINNER, 37008489, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys B. Skinner, Wife, 4220 McPherson, St. Louis, Missouri.

Section III - Awaras of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Third Grade CHARLES D. CARR, 17029616, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APC 6, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 24, dated 21 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Technician Third Grade CHARLES D. CARR, 17029616, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. May Dodson, Guardian, 2500 North Orchard, Chicago, Illinois.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class OTTIS L. DECKER, 38343606, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section II, General Orders No. 59, dated 29 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class OTTIS L. DECKER, 38343606, Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Janie C. Decker, Wife, 404 2d Street S.E., Childress, Texas.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Third Grade NED T. LAWRENCE, 34134080, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 2, Section I, General Orders No. 24, dated 21 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

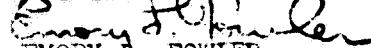
Technician Third Grade NED T. LAWRENCE, 34134080, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gussie Allen Lawrence, Mother, Route #3, Bradan, Mississippi.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant CLYDE W. MEEKS, 34088762, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 8, Section I, General Orders No. 23, dated 20 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant CLYDE W. MEEKS, 34088762, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ruth Robertson, Half-Sister, Alto, Georgia.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

2 July 1945

- SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR - POSTHUMOUSLY
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- SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUSLY
- SECTION IV - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
- SECTION V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant ROBERT E. ANDERSON, 39181166, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 17 June 1945, Sergeant ANDERSON was a member of a forward observer party with an infantry company. The mission of the company was to push up a narrow road to the town of Balog, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The infantry encountered an enemy road block and was forced to withdraw a distance of four hundred yards because of heavy machine gun fire. Sergeant ANDERSON, a radio operator, volunteered to go ahead of the infantry and maintain communications which would result in bringing our artillery fire on the road block. He did this, knowing that he would be exposed to enemy fire and that, with his radio, he would be a target of prime importance, if detected. By skillful maneuvering over the difficult terrain, Sergeant ANDERSON succeeded in setting up his radio in an advantageous spot and our artillery was adjusted on the road block. Before he could retire to a place of safety, Sergeant ANDERSON was shot and killed by an enemy sniper. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty merit highest praise and reflect credit upon the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Sylvia Olga Anderson, Wife, 2711 North 30th Street, Tacoma, Washington.

Section II - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted man:

Private First Class HAROLD ABER, 42183136, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Tagalog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945, an advancing column of our troops was suddenly halted by heavy machine gun fire coming from concealed enemy positions in a draw dense with undergrowth. The men were forced to take cover. Private ABER was cut off from the head of the column, but he continued to move forward until he encountered two enemy in a foxhole. One Japanese lunged at him with a bayonet. Private ABER killed him with fire from his M-1 rifle. As he attempted to shoot the second enemy soldier, his gun jammed.

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Private ABER seized the bayonet of the dead soldier and bayoneted the remaining Japanese. He then withdrew and rejoined his column. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Solonon, Mother, 201 Varet Street, Brooklyn, New York.

First Lieutenant SALVATORE V. SCOTTO, 01303039, Infantry, United States Army. Near Pingkian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945, Lieutenant SCOTTO was leading a platoon of self-propelled mounts in support of an infantry battalion attack. He went forward to determine the cause of delay in the advance. As he reached a point thirty yards from the leading elements, machine gun fire from the front forced the troops to take cover and inflicted several casualties. Lieutenant SCOTTO heard a call for help. Hastily summoning an aid man and a litter bearer, Lieutenant SCOTTO and the two men started to advance to the side of the wounded. When a burst of machine gun fire forced them to take cover, Lieutenant SCOTTO not wishing to jeopardize the lives of the other, took the litter and crawled along the bank of the road to reach a casualty. After administering first aid, Lieutenant SCOTTO effected the evacuation of the casualty. He then returned to the assault troops and his leadership materially contributed to the elimination of the enemy resistance, enabling the battalion to continue its advance. Home address: Mr. Dominick Scotto, Father, 195 Baltic Street, Brooklyn, New York.

First Lieutenant STANLEY C. SCRIBNER, 01173772, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 17 June 1945, Lieutenant SCRIBNER was in command of a forward observer party attached to an infantry company. The company's mission was to push up a narrow road to the town of Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At 1200 hours the infantry encountered an enemy road block and heavy enemy machine gun fire forced a withdrawal of about four hundred yards. Lieutenant SCRIBNER, with utter disregard for his own safety, went ahead of the infantry and skillfully maneuvered, while under enemy fire, to a point from which he could adjust our artillery fire on the enemy. The artillery fire completely destroyed the enemy road block and our infantry then proceeded forward without meeting further opposition. Lieutenant SCRIBNER'S courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. H. F. Scribner, Brother, 346 South Jackson Street, Casper, Wyoming.

Lieutenant Colonel FLOYD H. SIMMONS, 0351237, Infantry, United States Army. Near Pingkian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945, Colonel SIMMONS, while investigating a delay in an attack, had approached to within ten yards of a lead scout when two enemy machine guns suddenly opened fire. He observed that a casualty lay in an exposed position directly in the lane of fire. Requesting covering fire, he crawled forward to the side of the wounded man. He moved the casualty to the safety of a ditch and administered first aid. Still under fire, Colonel SIMMONS then removed the man to the rear. After the wounded man had been successfully evacuated, he and his assault troops eliminated the enemy machine guns, enabling the battalion to continue its advance. Home address: Mrs. Iris W. Simmons, Wife, Midwest, Wyoming.



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Section III - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec I, Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Corporal ROBERT K. GREEN, 35024957, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 24 February 1945, Corporal GREEN was serving as a member of a forward observation party with an infantry company engaged in an advance against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. The company's objective was secured late in the afternoon. Little time remained before dark in which to adjust defensive fires for the position. In order to obtain the best observation for adjusting these fires, it was necessary to proceed to high ground about three hundred yards ahead of the infantry position. This ground was receiving enemy artillery fire every few minutes. With disregard for his own safety, Corporal GREEN volunteered to go forward as a radio operator. When enemy shells started falling on his position, Corporal GREEN remained with his radio and maintained communication until he was hit by a shell fragment and killed. His initiative, courage and devotion to duty merit highest praise and reflect credit upon the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Fred Green, Father, Wright Street, Kingsville, Ohio.

Section IV - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LAWRENCE E. DeGREVE, 37040876, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Mac DeGrove, Wife, 911 Maple Avenue, Decorah, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant ORVILLE D. FORBES, 17003744, Field Artillery, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. George Forbes, Father, Pocahontas, Iowa.

First Lieutenant CHARLES B. GIBSON, 01294293, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Juanita H. Gibson, Wife, Box 207, Ackerman, Mississippi.

Technician Third Grade ROBERT F. MARTY, 36205290, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 14 May 1945. Home address: Miss Beatrice I. Marty, Sister, Eagle, Wisconsin.

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Captain LEE A. STEWARD, 0436675, Medical Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma J. Steward, Mother, 3312 Prairie Avenue, Mattoon, Illinois.

Captain EDWARD B. TYSON, 01688058, Medical Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances W. Tyson, Wife, 23 Farm Avenue, Salamanca, New York.

Captain SOLOMON WISE, 01291206, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Thelma T. Wise, Wife, 3213 Corlea Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Section V - Award of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Corporal LEYGHTON C. SEXAUER, 37579707, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 4, Section III, General Orders No. 11, dated 15 February 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). Citation is as follows:

Corporal LEYGHTON C. SEXAUER, 37579707, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nina B. Sexauer, Wife, 110 8th Avenue South, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

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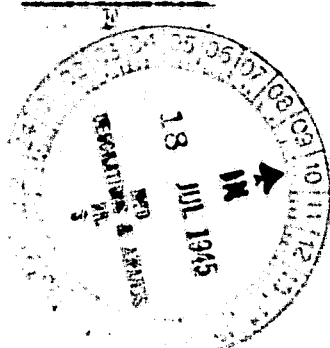
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on the date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following officer and enlisted men:

Private JESUS APAWAN, 6670, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Macaria Dukay, Mother, San Carlos, Occidental Negros.

Private First Class JOSE DE LA CRUZ, 6204, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Faustina Hernandez, Mother, Polong Gubat, Bigaa, Bulacan.

Corporal PERFECTO DE LA CRUZ, 6662, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Exequiel de la Cruz, Father, Norzagaray, Bulacan.

Corporal AMANDO ESTRELLA, 6663, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gregoria Cruz Torres, Mother, Guiguinto, Bulacan.

Private First Class TRINIDAD GONZALES, 6682, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Fernando Gonzales, Father, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Private FRANCISCO ICBAN, 6730, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Gonzalo Icban, Father, Canlubang, Laguna.

Sergeant ROBERTO MATIAS, 6653, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Apolonia Castro, Mother, Bustos, Bulacan.

Private First Class ERNESTO PANALIGAN, 6736, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Dioscoro Panaligan, Father, Canlubang, Laguna.

Private First Class CARLOS PENGSON, 6698, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josefa Tecson, Mother, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Sergeant RAMON PINEDA, 6656, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lourdes Pengson, Mother, Penaranda, Nueva Ecija.

Private First Class SERAPIO RAMOS, 6741, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leonora Laygo, Mother, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Staff Sergeant ANTONIO C. SANTIAGO, 6024, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 27 April 1945. Home address: Miss Lourdes C. Santiago, Sister, San Miguel, Bulacan.

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Lieutenant Colonel BIENVENIDO E. SANTIAGO, 05002, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maria Fe Crisostomo Santiago, Wife, Atlag, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private ADRIANO, TAYO, 6708, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Miss Leonila Tayo, Sister, San Miguel, Bulacan.

Private BENITO VILCORTE, 6710, Infantry, Philippine Army. 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anastacia Valisno, Mother, San Miguel, Bulacan.

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Revocation of General Orders

1. So much of General Orders 20, Headquarters, USAFIP Area Command, Camp Spencer, APO 70, 25 February 1946, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Ernesto P. Panaligan, 157 558, is revoked.
2. The Purple Heart was previously awarded to the above individual by General Orders 128, Headquarters 6th Infantry Division, dated 3 July 1945.

By Order of Wilber M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army:

  
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SECTION I - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUSLY  
SECTION III - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Section I - Awards of Silver Star

The President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress (Act No. 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at sea is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Private **BUTTI**, 33086379, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, in action on the Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, a gunner while firing on enemy positions, was seriously wounded by enemy fire from a .50 caliber machine gun and fell helpless. He stood up in the vehicle, fully exposed to enemy fire, in an attempt to staunch the blood flowing from his wounds. He remained a silhouetted target while another half-track vehicle drew alongside to remove him as a casualty might be removed. Technician BUTTI is awarded the Silver Star for having the life of his comrade. Home address: Route #2, Ginger Hill, Finleyville, Pennsylvania.

Private **LOPEZ**, 39591616, Infantry, United States Army, in action on 19 June 1945, machine gun fire from enemy positions temporarily halted our advance. Private LOPEZ bravely held his automatic weapon. Two grenades were thrown at him as he closed in on the enemy. When he reached the enemy emplacement, Private LOPEZ accurately fired his machine gun crew and destroyed their machine gun. His initiative in the face of enemy fire were instrumental in the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Cruz R. Lopez, California.

Private **THOMAS**, 39591616, Infantry, United States Army. In action on the Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945, when his squad was pinned down, he assumed his leader's duties in the face of enemy fire. He ventured to investigate a defiladed area in the enemy position. He advanced alone and was wounded. Despite his wounds, he maneuvered to launch a flank attack on the enemy emplacement. His initiative and courage reflect high credit. Home address: Mrs. Lucille Thomas, Mother, California.

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Section II - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Corporal ERNEST W. RUSSELL, 7083459, Field Artillery, United States Army. During operations on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 April 1945, Corporal RUSSELL was a member of a forward observer party with an infantry company. In an advance up a hill to take a company objective, the party, together with the infantrymen, was pinned down by enemy fire. Little cover was available and our forces fell back to the foot of the hill. In the withdrawal the party's radio operator was forced to drop his radio and seek the nearest cover. Corporal RUSSELL, seeing this and knowing there was a chance that our radio would be taken by the enemy, left his place of safety to recover the radio. Before he could reach the radio, he was hit by enemy fire and killed. Corporal RUSSELL'S courage and selfless devotion to duty reflect highest credit upon the military service. Next of kin: Mr. William J. Russell, Father, Route #1, Gallitan, Tennessee.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant NORBERT V. BORGSTADT, 37009013, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Pete O. Borgstadt, Father, Concordia, Missouri.

First Lieutenant VINCENT D. CARROLL, 01013451, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Carroll, Wife, 111 Region Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania

Private First Class RAYMOND L. GOELZHOUSER, 37059900, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Henry J. Goelzhouser, Father, 3214 Cherokee Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

First Lieutenant THOMAS A. HABIB, 01304068, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Golia Habib, Mother, 204 West Main Street, Watertown, New York.

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First Lieutenant DONALD E. IOTT, 01294136, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maxine J. Iott, Wife, 2401 Indiana Street, Topeka, Kansas.

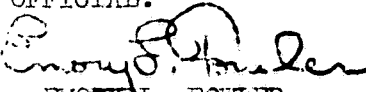
Sergeant IVAN L. KENNEDY, 37057709, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 22 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Luther E. Kennedy, Father, 709 Nesbit Street, Canton, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade FRED R. RIFFLE, 32846141, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margret E. Riffle, Wife, Adamstown, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade ARTHUR E. VANHAMAN, 37201098, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Freda L. Vanhaman, Wife, Cimarron, Kansas.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART - POSTHUMOUSLY  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Section I - Award of the Purple Heart - Posthumously

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class SILVINO MARCELINO, 7450, Philippine Army. Killed in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Maria Magsangkay, Mother, Calumpit, Bulacan.

Section II - Awards of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on the date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant HORACIO CONTRERAS, Philippine Army. On 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josefa Samala, Mother, Quibadia, Obando, Bulacan.

Private First Class PEDRO GUANZON, 7124, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Rosendo Guanzon, Father, Atlag, Malolos, Bulacan.

Private FELIPE SANTOS, 7314, Philippine Army. On 22 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Policarpio Santos, Son, Hagonoy, Bulacan.

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)  
SECTION III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Sergeant ROY L. BUCKLEY, 6858830, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mabel Goldsmith, Sister, Lowden, Iowa.

Sergeant EDWARD J. CHAMBERS, 6904308, Infantry, United States Army. In the Bambang-Salinas area, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 June 1945 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edward J. Chambers, Wife, 57 Avenue C, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey.

First Sergeant F. BERT W. CHILDERS, 6829919 RAR, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 10 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Childers, Wife, 1206 West Enos Avenue, Springfield, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM CONLEY, 6291972, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 June 1945 to 23 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lennie Mae Conley, Wife, General Delivery, Stilwell, Oklahoma.

Sergeant ALFVANDER M. COOPER, 6860242, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, Mother, Route #2, Little Falls, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant GAYLORD R. COX, 3604532, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha Cox, Mother, Rural Route #1, Defiance, Ohio.

First Sergeant JAMES H. P. DAUGHERTY, 7006376, Cavalry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Jane Daugherty, Wife, Harley Park, Booneville, Missouri.

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Technician Fourth Grade ROLAND DEMALD, 37038773, Cavalry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Dowald, Mother, Reliance, South Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD A. DOHR, 35018695, Infantry, United States Army. In the Bambang-Salinhas area, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 June 1945 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena Dohr, Mother, Monclova, Ohio.

Second Lieutenant HENRY E. DROZDAL, 0546470, Cavalry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clementine Drozdal, Mother, RFD #1, South Hadley, Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant RAYBURN M. EBRICH, 17010013, Cavalry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude M. Ebrich, Mother, 2818 High Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

First Lieutenant CECIL E. GOODWIN, 01291103, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. June I. Goodwin, Wife, 117 West 5th Street, Rochester, Indiana.

Sergeant JESSE C. INNIS, 6553421, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie May Innis, Wife, Kidder, Missouri.

Private First Class CONWAY D. JANSEN, 17145040, Cavalry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank B. Jansen, Father, 1918 North 20th Street, Superior, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade MAURICE E. KLAAHSEN, 37038170, Cavalry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Richard F. Klaahsen, Father, George, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade ARTHUR C. LA FLEUR, 37326373, Cavalry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann R. La Fleur, Wife, 2766 Wellington Street, Duluth, Minnesota.

Corporal ROBERT N. MASIMORE, 6939392, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Harvey S. Masimore, Father, 1306 Lewis Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

Captain WALTER J. McNEIL, 0417776, Infantry, United States Army. In the Salinas area, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nelle C. McNeil, Wife, c/o Judge T. S. Candler, Blairsville, Georgia.

Sergeant WILLIAM D. MOUREY, 6917278, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virginia M. Mourey, Wife, 2313 North 57th Street, East St. Louis, Illinois.

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Technician Fifth Grade VAUGHN D. PRICE, 38512420, Cavalry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy J. Price, Mother, Apartment 114, Pantex Village, Amarillo, Texas.

First Sergeant FRANCIS W. RICHTER, 6861048, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Richter, Mother, Gilman City, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant FRED H. ROLF, 37056740, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vera C. Reynolds, Sister, 4643 Newport Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant DETLEV A. SCHMIDT, 37029418, Cavalry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Schmidt, Wife, 508 Pleasant Street, Markato, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH L. STUPKA, 17003567, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Lewis D. Stupka, Father, Rural Route #4, Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant LEO L. WHITE, 6781550, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mr. William E. White, Brother, 210 Rebecca Street, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant FLORICE WILLIAMS, 6986065, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Williams, Wife, 2638 East Walnut Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain MICHAEL KANE, JR., 01284885, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 13, Section III, General Orders No. 33, dated 22 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain MICHAEL KANE, JR., 01284885, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On the evening of 15 June 1945 at Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands, assault elements of his company were pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. At the same time two platoons of an adjacent company were isolated between two pockets of enemy resistance and suffered heavy casualties. Captain KANE hastily and efficiently organized a number of litter teams from rear elements of his own company. He effected a junction with the two isolated platoons. After supervising the evacuation of all casualties, he formed a defensive position, utilizing the elements of the adjacent company to control all ground gained during a 24-hour attack. He then laid down a heavy concentration of mortar fire on the enemy positions. Home address: Mrs. Alice H. Kane, Wife, 329 Concord Street, South St. Paul, Minnesota.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant BERTRAND J. LA VIGNE, 37030010, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 7, Section VI, General Orders No. 57, dated 23 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant BERTRAND J. LA VIGNE, 37030010, Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna La Vigne, Mother, International Falls, Minnesota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Corporal ADRIAN C. TRESSELL, 35413837, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 7, Section VI, General Orders No. 57, dated 23 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Corporal ADRIAN C. TRESSELL, 35413837, Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille A. Tressell, Wife, Route #2, Apple Creek, Ohio.

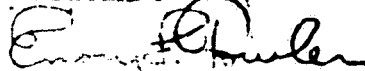
SECTION III - AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943 and USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant EMIL K. SCHONBERG, 35409298, United States Army. At Santiago, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Fred Schonberg, Father, 141 Fairfield Avenue, Newark, Ohio.

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Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CARLIE R. FLEMING, 6917432, Infantry, United States Army. At Mount Baytangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 March 1945, while going forward in an attack, Private FLEMING crawled to a point from which he knocked out enemy machine gun nests with hand grenades. After he had destroyed the enemy machine guns, he moved on to a position from which he could observe enemy snipers. He remained motionless until the enemy fired, making it possible for him to pick out their location. By his excellent marksmanship he was able to kill four of the snipers. While he was engaged in clearing the area of enemy snipers, Private FLEMING was mortally wounded and died before aid could reach him. His initiative and bravery made it possible for his company to seize its objective and, by his gallant action, the lives of other members of his platoon were saved. Next of kin: Mr. Clyde Fleming, Father, Morocco, Indiana.

Section II - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant DONALD V. ADAMS, 35390776, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Dupax, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, when the patrol he was leading was suddenly halted by machine gun and rifle fire from a well concealed enemy outpost, Sergeant ADAMS continued to advance alone. He scouted the enemy positions and then maneuvered his way back to the patrol. Furnishing his patrol with an accurate description of the enemy situation, the patrol was then able to destroy the enemy position. Sergeant ADAMS' bravery and devotion to duty enabled his patrol to accomplish its mission without suffering a casualty. Home address: Mrs. Carrie Adams, Mother, Route #1, Elm Grove, Wheeling, West Virginia.

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Technical Sergeant VICTOR J. DOLAK, 3703664, Infantry, United States Army. On the morning of 20 June 1945 near Uddawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Sergeant DOLAK, heavy machine gun platoon sergeant, was leading a reconnaissance patrol of ten men. Visibility was obscured at times and tall grass bordering open ground and ravines covered over by dense undergrowth of bamboo trees made the mission very hazardous. The patrol was ambushed by an enemy force of eighteen men. The patrol immediately returned fire, killing two of the enemy. Sergeant DOLAK then ordered his men to cover each other and withdraw. The withdrawal had barely started when one man was shot through the abdomen and back by enemy rifle fire. In the absence of aid men, Sergeant DOLAK, disregarding the intense enemy rifle and automatic fire, crawled to the wounded man and pulled him a distance of thirty yards over open ground to a covered position from which the wounded man could be evacuated. Home address: Mrs. Antonette Borer, Mother, Albion, Nebraska.

Sergeant MAX HELLER, 3705010, Infantry, United States Army. Near Ling-kian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945, sudden heavy machine gun and rifle fire from well concealed enemy positions interrupted an attack, forcing leading elements to withdraw one hundred yards. Sergeant HELLER, disregarding his personal safety, refused to withdraw. Instead, he maneuvered to an advantageous position from which he located the enemy machine gun position. He then accurately directed mortar fire which neutralized the enemy strongpoint. His gallant action, in the face of enemy fire, eliminated the resistance and contributed materially to the success of the attack. Home address: Mr. Ben Keller, Father, 3047 Grover Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Lieutenant Colonel THEODORE J. MATKOVICH, 0303230, Infantry, United States Army. In the Salinas area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, two companies of Colonel MATKOVICH'S battalion were attempting to outflank a well entrenched, hostile strongpoint in a combined frontal and flanking attack. Both companies were pinned down by a series of well concealed machine guns and snipers about one hundred yards short of the juncture they had intended to make. Colonel MATKOVICH advanced under heavy sniper and machine gun fire to a position immediately in the rear of his assault troops and repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire in order to observe the terrain and estimate the situation. Stalling radio communication, Colonel MATKOVICH issued the necessary orders to maneuver the two elements to make a juncture and eliminate the hostile pocket of resistance. He then supervised the evacuation of our own casualties and coordinated the defensive position on the ground. Home address: Mrs. Margerie C. Matkovich, Wife, 342 North Williams Street, River Forest, Illinois.

Private First Class CHARLES J. YOUNG, 36689509, Infantry, United States Army. At Bancz, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945, the Infantry company of which Private YOUNG is a member was advancing over a series of small ridges toward enemy positions. A member of the company fell wounded in both legs when a shot which was just below a ridge line defended by two enemy machine guns and several supporting riflemen. Immediately after the man fell, enemy fire began to sweep the area about him. Concerned only with the rescue of his wounded comrade, Private YOUNG rushed one hundred yards over broken terrain through the hail of enemy bullets to pull the man to safety. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy H. Young, Wife, Carrollton Street, White Hall, Illinois.

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Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class RICHARD E. ESPINOZA, 39863197, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 28 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Petra Espinoza, Mother, 1719 Pleasant Avenue, Los Angeles, 33, California.

Technician Fifth Grade EARL B. HAIDER, 37081577, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 20 February 1945. Next of kin: Mr. George B. Haider, Father, Shields, North Dakota.

Technician Fourth Grade CHARLES A. HAMILTON, 17003753, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 23 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Ray Hamilton, Mother, Rural Route 71, Davis City, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade ANGELO RANACCI, 36254364, Field Artillery, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 7 February 1945. Next of kin: Mr. Ralph Ranacci, Father, 6350 Twelfth Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade VICTOR J. LAMCO, 37026561 Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 20 February 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Julia Vrchota, Sister, 2624 West Seventh Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Section IV - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Captain RUSSELL V. BATTLE, 0313556, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret L. Battle, Wife, 415 West 6th Street, North Platte, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD A. FELD, 37059871, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Estelle T. Feld, Wife, 5211 Vermont Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.



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Corporal MICHAEL D. FORBES, 33277335, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Forbes, Mother, Box 341, Southwest, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class RUDOLPH H. HERONEMUS, 37007542, Infantry, United States Army. In the Sierra Madre Mountains, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 20 February 1945 to 11 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Taber Heronemus, wife, Route #2, Wakeeney, Kansas.

Sergeant EDWARD J. LEVI, 37075130, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Sam Levi, Father, 4910 Northland Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

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Staff Sergeant THOMAS M. KOSIASKI, 37027261, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank Kosolasek, brother, Now Prague, Minnesota.

Sergeant GLENN E. NORBECK, 37038757, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Norbeck, Mother, General Delivery, Platte, South Dakota.

Private First Class EDWARD J. NOVAK, 36119390, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Magdelene Novak, Mother, 2352 Copeland, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class JAMES R. STRICKERT, 37351715, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Oscar W. Strickert, Father, Scott City, Kansas.

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**Section I - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class EDWARD T. MALONE, 16094494, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cabaruan Hills, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945, Private MALONE voluntarily exposed himself in order to attract enemy attention and divert their machine gun fire. By drawing the enemy fire in his direction, he enabled litter parties to evacuate two of his wounded comrades to a battalion aid station. Private MALONE'S courageous act is deserving of high praise. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Malone, Mother, 2138 South 67th Place, West Allis, Wisconsin.

**Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant LEWIS C. BROWNING, 37065637, Infantry, United States Army. On 17 April 1945 near Mount Mataba, Luzon, Philippine Islands, an infantry company, while assaulting an enemy fortified position, met heavy enemy machine gun fire which wounded two men. Sergeant BROWNING, an assistant squad leader, crawled forward and succeeded in moving back one of the wounded men. He then crawled forward again under constant enemy fire and dragged the second wounded man to a position where medical attention could be given. Sergeant BROWNING'S initiative and bravery were directly responsible for saving the lives of his two comrades. Home address: Mrs. Eura Sherman, Sister, 2074 North Maringo Avenue, Pasadena, California.

Technician Fourth Grade CARMEN A. ESCE, 32122632, Infantry, United States Army. Near Pingkian, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 June 1945, Technician ESCE, a radio operator, voluntarily accompanied a two-day combat patrol along a tortuous winding mountain trail. His radio was the only means of communication and the excellent results of the patrol mission were directly attributed to his technical efficiency. Enroute the patrol encountered enemy rifle fire from concealed enemy

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positions. Technician ESCE immediately reported the location and progress of the action. At an observation post established in the forward area, the patrol was subjected to harassing fire. During this period, Technician ESCE displayed great courage while under hostile fire. Home address: Mrs. Lucille Esce, Wife, 114 West Pleasant Avenue, Syracuse, New York.

Private First Class KEIFER EVANS, 37603759, Infantry, United States Army. In the Novaliches Watershed area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 April 1945, Private EVANS volunteered to go outside perimeter positions to search for a missing man in terrain which had just been shelled by enemy artillery and was still under enemy observation. After advancing for a distance of five hundred yards Private EVANS found the man who was wounded and aided him in returning safely to our perimeter. Home address: Mrs. Bessie E. Evans, Mother, 635 East Gladys Street, Sikeston, Missouri.

Private First Class JAY R. FEARING, 35611192, Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, Private FEARING voluntarily moved forward with a group of men under intense enemy sniper and small arms fire to remove an enemy road block which had stopped the advance of our self-propelled artillery. The removal of the road block enabled the self-propelled artillery to advance and support leading assault elements. Home address: Mr. Weral Fearing, Father, 1123 McLain Street, Dayton, Ohio.

Private First Class RAYMOND A. FELLER, 37038058, Infantry, United States Army. At Bayanbayan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 March 1945, installations of a rear echelon were attacked by an enemy infiltration party. Three men who were manning a machine gun on the perimeter were wounded by an enemy grenade. Private FELLER went to the aid of the wounded men. He then manned the idle machine gun. With the gun again in action, the enemy attack was repulsed. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Feller, Sister, Box 349 A, Chico, California.

Private First Class ROBERT J. HADDOCK, 37065937, Infantry, United States Army. On a return trip from hauling food to front line troops near Lamit, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945, the lead vehicle which Private HADDOCK was driving was ambushed by enemy troops firing machine guns and rifles from well concealed positions along a winding mountain road. The radiator of his truck was badly damaged by an enemy charge which was set off nearby. He immediately ordered all personnel to detruck and take cover. Realizing his vehicle would cause congestion of traffic if left on the road, Private HADDOCK remained in his vehicle and managed to bring it to a position which cleared the road and enabled the remainder of the convoy to proceed. Private HADDOCK'S quick thinking and courage under fire undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the men in the convoy. Home address: Mr. Clifford C. Haddock, Father, General Delivery, Mt. Pleasant, Arkansas.

Sergeant JOE O. HATFIELD, 34078247, Medical Department, United States Army. Near Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, Sergeant HATFIELD volunteered to accompany a patrol formed to investigate an enemy hospital reported to be in the vicinity. The patrol, after traveling three and a half miles over difficult terrain, reached the area in which the hospital was said to be located. Sergeant HATFIELD immediately made a thorough search of the nipa huts, foxholes and dugouts in the area. Although the hospital had been evacuated, he successfully located three of the enemy, all of whom were wounded. He assisted with the evacuation of the wounded captives by litter over difficult terrain. Home address: Mrs. James P. Hatfield, Mother, Jena, Louisiana.

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First Lieutenant HAROLD A. HORN, 01061135, Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. Lieutenant HORN organized a group of volunteers and led them forward under intense enemy sniper and small arms fire in order to remove an enemy road block which had stopped the advance of our self-propelled artillery. The courageous initiative of Lieutenant HORN made possible the removal of the road block, permitting the self-propelled artillery to advance and support leading attacking elements in the successful completion of a mission. Home address: Mrs. Mildred V. Horn, Wife, Paradise, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant DOUGLAS C. HURST, 36022378, Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, forward units of an infantry battalion were in need of supplies for the night and vehicles were unable to move forward with the supplies. Sergeant HURST organized a carrying party and, voluntarily, led it forward under heavy enemy sniper and small arms fire. He returned to the rear and led a second party forward with additional supplies. As a result of Sergeant HURST'S courage and initiative forward units received necessary food and supplies. Home address: Mr. James W. Hurst, Father, General Delivery, Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD L. KOENIG, 36028014, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 25 March 1945 during operations on Luzon, Philippine Islands, Technician KOENIG, radio operator for an artillery forward observer party, accompanied an infantry company in an assault against enemy positions on high ground in the vicinity of Mount Pacawagan. The assault group was subjected to intense mortar and artillery fire. The infantry withdrew, but Technician KOENIG and an officer remained, under fire, in order to adjust artillery fire on the enemy positions. Artillery fire silenced the enemy guns, thereby enabling infantrymen to gain their objective with a minimum of casualties. Home address: Mr. Henry Koenig, Father, 608 South Raynor Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

Private First Class NICKOLAS W. LOBINS, 33407333, Infantry, United States Army. In the Marikina Watershed area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 March 1945, Private LOBINS took charge of a heavy machine gun squad after the squad leader was wounded. He led his squad to safety after the enemy started laying down a heavy artillery barrage. Later he went back to the abandoned area which was still under fire, along with two other men, to remove a soldier's body to rear installations for proper disposition. Home address: Mrs. Anna Lobins, Mother, Route #2, Connoaut Lake, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant FRANK NOCH, JR., 37007295, Infantry, United States Army. On Mount Mataba, Luzon, Philippine Islands during an attack on enemy-held positions by his company on the morning of 3 April 1945, Sergeant NOCH left the security of his dug-in position and crawled forward to observe enemy fire. He directed his men to continue firing while he advanced and knocked out an enemy machine gun. After locating other enemy machine gun positions, Sergeant NOCH crawled back to his own lines through a withering hail of fire. He then directed mortar fire to be placed on the positions which he had located. Home address: Mr. Frank Noch, Sr., Father, 1406 Norlevge Street, Sugar Creek, Missouri.

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Technical Sergeant TED W. PAGE, 18029704, (then Private), Infantry, United States Army. On 2 February 1945 during operations on Luzon, Philippine Islands, Sergeant PAGE'S platoon leader became ill during an advance and was sent to a hospital. Sergeant PAGE assumed command of the platoon. He moved his platoon to a position from which the enemy-held ground could be observed. He then directed his platoon guide to keep the men under cover while he crawled forward to observe. By so doing, he located two enemy tanks. He crawled back to his own men and reported the information to his company commander. Sergeant PAGE then directed mortar fire which destroyed the tanks. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Mae Page, Mother, Odessa, Texas.

Technical Sergeant RUSSELL E. WRIGHT, 37008191, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. At Bayanbayanan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 March 1945, Sergeant WRIGHT'S company reached its objective. As darkness set in, the enemy attacked the position, employing grenade, rifle, machine gun and mortar fire. Sergeant WRIGHT gathered all available ammunition from the rear sector of the perimeter and distributed it among the men who were manning forward perimeter positions. His courageous efforts enabled his company to hold its objective with the least number of casualties. Home address: Mrs. Rozalia M. Wright, Wife, 1116 Laurel Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas.

Section III - Award of Combat Infantryman Badge

Under the provisions of War Department Circular 408, dated 17 October 1944, as amended, a Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to COLONEL PAUL H. MAHONEY, O15022, Infantry, for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant GUALBERTO MIRANDA, 05045, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 21 June 1945, Lieutenant MIRANDA was serving as a member of a reconnaissance patrol. While moving cautiously through dense undergrowth, the patrol suddenly encountered machine gun fire in the Salinas-Bambang sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the fire fight that followed, the commanding officer of Lieutenant MIRANDA'S battalion fell seriously wounded as he directed the fire of his men. Lieutenant MIRANDA, upon seeing him fall, rushed to his side. He shot the enemy who had wounded his commanding officer, and remained to protect him with covering fire despite the intense machine gun fire sweeping the area. Lieutenant MIRANDA'S gallant action saved the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Erlinda Gonzales de Leon, Wife, Baliwag, Bulacan.

Second Lieutenant VICTORINO SILVESTRE, 05062, Infantry, Philippine Army. During an attack in the vicinity of Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945, Lieutenant SILVESTRE showed exemplary courage. Enemy fire was encountered coming from well concealed foxholes. When rifle grenades and rifle fire failed to neutralize the enemy position, Lieutenant SILVESTRE picked up a hand grenade, dashed thirty yards through intense automatic fire to a position from which he tossed the grenade into the midst of the enemy. Nine enemy were killed as a result of Lieutenant SILVESTRE'S courageous act. The remainder of the enemy were forced from their position, disorganized and utterly confused, enabling his men to seize their objective. Home address: Mrs. Galicana Celaret, Wife, Mojon, Malolos, Bulacan.

Staff Sergeant ATILANO VILLAFLO, 7499, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945, Sergeant VILLAFLO was one of the leading men of a combat patrol operating in the vicinity of Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Heavy enemy fire was suddenly encountered. Sergeant VILLAFLO led his men in an advance against the enemy who occupied well dug-in positions. When his men had reached a covered position, Sergeant VILLAFLO dashed forward and threw hand grenades into the enemy position, instantaneously killing all the enemy who had opened fire on his patrol. Sergeant VILLAFLO'S gallant action enabled his men to continue their advance and capture commanding ground. Home address: Miss Petra Villaflo, Sister, San Carlos, Occidental Negros.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull: 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers:

Second Lieutenant MARCELIÑO FELIPE, 05064, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 17 June 1945 Lieutenant FELIPE led a combat patrol in the vicinity of Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Lieutenant FELIPE and his men encountered intense enemy fire from well dug-in enemy positions. Disregarding his own safety, he exposed himself to enemy fire while maneuvering his men into position. As a result of his fearless and aggressive leadership the enemy were destroyed and an important objective secured. Home address: Mrs. Marcelina Lopez, Wife, Hagunoy, Dulacan.

Second Lieutenant MANUEL A. MACAN, 05060, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 16 June 1945, Lieutenant MACAN led forward elements of a patrol which engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight near Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the thick of the fire fight, he noticed the enemy had gun emplacements to his platoon's left flank. Disregarding the intense machine gun and rifle fire, he crawled fifty yards to within striking distance of the emplacements and killed the enemy machine gunners and destroyed their weapons. The destruction of these machine guns resulted in throwing the enemy into a confused and disorderly retreat, leaving behind ninety three dead, two machine guns and thirty-nine rifles. Home address: Mrs. Bonifacia A. Macan, Mother, Calumpit, Dulacan.

Captain ANASTACIO M. RANA, 05000, Infantry, Philippine Army. Near Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Captain RANA led an assault against strong Japanese concentrations, employing light and heavy machine guns. Realizing the danger to his troops if these machine guns were not silenced, he crawled to within striking distance of the gun emplacements under intense fire. He killed the enemy gunners and destroyed their weapons. The enemy was routed by his intrepid attack. Home address: Mr. Abraham M. Rana, Brother, Alcala, Cagayan.

Lieutenant Colonel BLIVENSO B. SANTIAGO, 05002, Philippine Army. On 21 June 1945 in the Salinas-Dambong area, Colonel SANTIAGO led a reconnaissance party in an extremely dangerous territory to inspect an enemy ammunition dump which had been previously reported by reconnaissance patrols. The party, while cautiously moving along a narrow path, was suddenly held up by intense enemy fire from well concealed positions. Colonel SANTIAGO fearlessly edged forward to a point from which he was able to observe and determine enemy strength and dispositions. Though under heavy rifle fire, Colonel SANTIAGO effected an orderly and successful withdrawal of his party. Home address: Mrs. Maria Fe Criscostomo Santiago, Wife, Dambong, Dulacan, Dulacan.

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Section III - Awards of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on the date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class CIRILO BALONDA, 7042, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 3 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Jose Balonda, Father, San Rafael, Bulacan.

Second Lieutenant MARIO T. DIAS, 05051, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 June 1945. Home address: Miss Margarita Dias, Sister, Baliwag, Bulacan.

Private First Class DAMETRIO GALLERA, 6447, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 24 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Teodorice Gallera, Father, Cebu, Cebu.

Sergeant JUAN R. LOPEZ, 7207, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 25 June 1945. Home address: Miss Catalina R. Lopez, Sister, San Nicolas, Hagunoy.

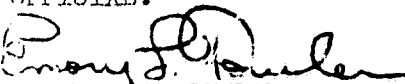
Captain DEGRACIAS B. OLIVEROS, 05028, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rosita R. Oliveros, Wife, Sto. Rosario, Lalolos, Bulacan.

Private First Class ALFONSO SANTIAGO, 6299, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 26 June 1945. Home address: Miss Julia Santos, Sister, Cavite City, Cavite.

Corporal PATRICIO TABALDO, 6313, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 26 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Faustina Quinay, Mother, Dupax, Nueva Viscaya.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR - POSTHUMOUSLY  
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Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class TILLMAN E. GOODMAN, 36515137, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 7 February 1945 at Ibaos, Luzon, Philippine Islands Private GOODMAN was acting gunner of a 105mm howitzer. Before daylight a column of enemy tanks stopped on the highway immediately adjacent to the gun position, less than two hundred yards from Private GOODMAN's gun. Realizing the importance of bringing the gun into action as soon as possible, Private GOODMAN remained with the gun, searching for targets through the gun sight. It was not yet light enough to see well and heavy enemy machine gun and cannon fire was raking the position. Just as Private GOODMAN picked up his first target, an enemy shell landed in the gun pit, destroying the howitzer and killing him instantly. Private GOODMAN'S courage and devotion to duty reflect highest credit upon the military service. Next of kin: Mr. George Goodman, Brother, 5126 4th Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec 10 Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Chief Warrant Officer THELSON R. DENUSA, WA 3122, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 7 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Tom T. Denusa, Father, 3217 34th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Captain MARION P. BILLINGS, 0410587, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 27 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Billings, Wife, 6446 SE 27th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Chaplain (Captain) WALTER A. HUCHTHAUSEN, 0464981, Corps of Chaplains, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 19 March 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine D. Huchthausen, Wife, 506 De La Vista Avenue, Santa Barbara, California.

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First Sergeant CHARLES W. LEWIS, 6115684, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha O. Lewis, Wife, Brighton, Iowa.

Technical Sergeant JOHN G. MALLOY, 37058059, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 26 March 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn Malloy, Mother, 4441 Greer Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade LLOYD E. MOREY, W2127639, (then Technician Fifth Grade), United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 3 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Roberta E. Morey, Wife, Morrisville, Vermont.

Technician Fifth Grade RAYBURN C. PAYNE, 39857565, Medical Department, United States Army. Near Balabang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. L. A. Shartzler, Mother, 4313 Delmar, Tucson, Arizona.

Technician Fourth Grade HELEN J. RUT, 36040976, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mr. James J. Rut, Father, 2529 South St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain LELAND R. GRIMES, 0407930, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 2, Section I, General Orders No. 23, dated 20 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain LELAND R. GRIMES, 0407930, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Marikina, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Shirley E. Grimes, Wife, 1510 Third Avenue, SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant PALMER D. LINVILLE, 37057312, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 15, Section III, General Orders No. 50, dated 11 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant PALMER D. LINVILLE, 37057312, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Tagalog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 June 1945. When the head of an advancing column was pinned down by enemy fire, Sergeant LINVILLE went forward to investigate. While advancing, he heard a call for help from a man who had been wounded. Though the area was still under heavy enemy small arms and grenade fire, he unhesitatingly went forward to aid the wounded man.

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had been successfully evacuated, Sergeant LINVILLE returned to  
and assisted in directing mortar fire which silenced the enemy  
mess: Mr. John P. Fairville, Father, Route #2, Warborne, Missouri.

on of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal award-  
WEST F. POFF, 024020, by the Commanding General, 5th Infantry  
published on page 6, Section I, General Orders No. 69, dated  
the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General,  
on, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419,  
the II Bull 3 (1944). The citation is as follows:

WEST F. POFF, 024020, Infantry, United States Army. For meri-  
in connection with military operations against an enemy of  
in Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 20 June 1945.  
Retha L. Poff, Wife, Gentry, Missouri.

OF MAJOR GENERAL HURDIS:

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**Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class HENRY FRAHM, 37031262, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bagabag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 June 1945, Private FRAHM, a truck driver, was hauling warm food from his company area to troops on the front lines. As he proceeded north from the town of Bagabag toward Payawan Rest House, accompanied by nine men, his truck was ambushed by the enemy located approximately two hundred yards from the road in dense bamboo thickets. The enemy ambush, consisting of a light machine gun and an unknown number of men, centered their attack on Private FRAHM, the driver. A burst of machine gun fire fatally wounded him. Despite his wounds, Private FRAHM remained at the wheel of his truck and drove to a place of safety beyond the reach of the enemy fire. Private FRAHM'S great courage saved the lives of his comrades and proved an inspiration to the men with whom he served. Next of kin: Miss Martha Frahm, Sister, Box 261, Ray, Minnesota.

**Section II - Awards of Silver Star**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JOHN BENDZUCH, 33101744, Infantry, United States Army. On the morning of 28 June 1945, the infantry company of which Sergeant BENDZUCH is a member was attacking the enemy along a road between Bambang and Pingkian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The entire company was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun fire coming from a well concealed Japanese pillbox. Disregarding the deadly enemy fire, Sergeant BENDZUCH, voluntarily, advanced alone toward the enemy position. He demolished the enemy emplacement by using his rifle and hand grenades. Sergeant BENDZUCH'S gallant act enabled his company to resume its advance. Home address: Mrs. Madeline Bendzuch, Mother, Box 154, Boston, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class WILLIAM T. COPLING, 37486324, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Private COPLING, in company with three other men of his infantry platoon, voluntarily, worked his way around the flank of an adjacent platoon which was pinned down by intense enemy fire and was suffering heavy casualties. By careful maneuvering under the deadly enemy fire, Private COPLING and his comrades reached a point from which they succeeded in destroying with rifle fire and hand grenades two enemy machine gun positions and in killing nine enemy snipers. After the positions were destroyed, Private COPLING assisted with the evacuation of the wounded to a rear installation. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Copling, Mother, 4531 Blondo Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant WALTER L. McDONALD, 38474656, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Sergeant McDONALD, in company with three other men of his infantry platoon, voluntarily, worked his way around the flank of an adjacent platoon which was pinned down by intense enemy fire and was suffering heavy casualties. By careful maneuvering under the deadly enemy fire, Sergeant McDONALD and his comrades reached a point from which they succeeded in destroying with rifle fire and hand grenades two enemy machine gun positions and in killing nine enemy snipers. After the positions were destroyed, Sergeant McDONALD assisted with the evacuation of the wounded to a rear installation. Home address: Mrs. Edith Hammonds, Mother, 1005 Green Avenue, Orange, Texas.

Private First Class JAMES J. MOONEY, 33565960, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Private MOONEY, in company with three other men of his infantry platoon, voluntarily, worked his way around the flank of an adjacent platoon which was pinned down by intense enemy fire and was suffering heavy casualties. By careful maneuvering under the deadly enemy fire, Private MOONEY and his comrades reached a point from which they succeeded in destroying with rifle fire and hand grenades two enemy machine gun positions and in killing nine enemy snipers. After the positions were destroyed, Private MOONEY assisted with the evacuation of the wounded to a rear installation. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Mooney, Mother, 311 South Bruce Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

First Lieutenant RALPH R. SORBER, 01174716, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 March 1945, Lieutenant SORBER was in command of a forward observer party which included approximately twenty infantrymen. Their mission was to hold a hill eight hundred yards in front of our nearest troops. The hill was of vital importance to the enemy because it commanded the terrain in the Marikina River Valley and Wawa Dan area. During the night the enemy made repeated attempts to recapture the position under cover of heavy machine gun and mortar fire. Lieutenant SORBER voluntarily exposed himself to the enemy fire many times during the night to adjust defensive fires around our position. At about 0130 hours, a heavy mortar round landed approximately twenty yards from Lieutenant SORBER and severely wounded an infantryman. Lieutenant SORBER crawled through a heavily booby-trapped area, under constant fire, to reach the wounded man and render first aid. The artillery fire adjusted by Lieutenant SORBER was largely responsible for breaking up the counterattacks and forcing the enemy to withdraw. Home address: Mrs. Irene C. Sorber, Wife, 130 Pearl Street, Erdwell, New York.

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Private First Class PETER J. STURHOLDT, 37057938, Infantry, United States Army. On 18 June 1945, the infantry company of which Private STURHOLDT is a member was attacking along a road leading from Bambang to Pingkian, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private STURHOLDT led his squad in combat because his squad leader and assistant squad leader were hospitalized. When his company was held up in a defile by enemy machine gun and sniper fire from very high ground on both sides of the gorge, Private STURHOLDT led his squad in a flanking movement against the enemy positions. He destroyed a machine gun position in a frontal attack with his rifle fire and grenades. His courageous and aggressive action enabled his company to continue its advance. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Sturholdt, Mother, 5870 Cate Brillante, St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class WALTER E. SWEARINGEN, 37057779, Infantry, United States Army. At Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945, Private SWEARINGEN'S infantry company was temporarily held up in a narrow gorge by enemy fire. While under heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire, Private SWEARINGEN assaulted three enemy machine gun positions which were overlooking the defile. With the assistance of two comrades, he destroyed the emplacements with rifle fire and hand grenades, thereby enabling his company to move forward. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Swearingen, Mother, Montgomery City, Missouri.

Major ROBERT B. WELLS, 024275, Infantry, United States Army. Major WELLS was in command of convoys carrying vital supplies to a forward infantry battalion. The supply route ran through approximately five miles of dense, bamboo thickets over a hazardous mountain road. In this area Japanese infiltration and ambush were common. On 18 June 1945, near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands, a supply convoy was ambushed, receiving intense fire from small arms and automatic weapons. In coordination with this fire the enemy force launched a suicidal attempt to rush the vehicles with pole charges. Major WELLS organized the small guard which accompanied the supply train and led them in action against the enemy. He then sent for a reinforced platoon. During the action, Major WELLS was constantly exposed to enemy machine gun and sniper fire. When the platoon arrived, the enemy withdrew, enabling the convoy to proceed. Not one Japanese soldier reached a single vehicle in the supply train with a demolition charge. Major WELLS by his gallant action and aggressive fighting spirit welded the small group of men he commanded into a formidable force to beat off an enemy of superior number. Home address: Mrs. Miriam M. Wells, Wife, 920 18th Street, Huntsville, Texas.

Private First Class JOHN P. WHITE, 37038262, Infantry, United States Army. Near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Private WHITE, in company with three other men of his infantry platoon, voluntarily, worked his way around the flank of an adjacent platoon which was pinned down by intense enemy fire and was suffering heavy casualties. By careful maneuvering under the deadly enemy fire, Private WHITE and his comrades reached a point from which they succeeded in destroying with rifle fire and hand grenades two enemy machine gun positions and in killing nine enemy snipers. After the positions were destroyed, Private WHITE assisted with the evacuation of the wounded to a rear installation. Home address: Mrs. Mildred E. White, Mother, Purdum, Nebraska.

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Technical Sergeant ARNOLD WITTE, 37057833, Infantry, United States Army. At Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, his infantry company was held up at a narrow defile by enemy resistance coming from high ground commanding a road. Sergeant WITTE led his platoon in a frontal attack up the high ground and, in the lead of his platoon, assaulted four enemy machine gun positions, destroying them with his rifle fire and grenades. He was under constant enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Sergeant WITTE'S action made it possible for his company to continue its advance through the gorge. Home address: Mrs. Emma Witte, Mother, New Minden, Illinois.

Section III - Award of Silver Star (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Captain JEAN E. LaPLACE, 0368218, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 45, dated 3 September 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918). The citation is as follows:

Captain JEAN E. LaPLACE, 0368218, Cavalry, United States Army. Captain LaPLACE was responsible for convoying supply trains to a forward infantry regiment over a most hazardous route which was studded with enemy dug-in positions. It was necessary to escort the supply train through defiles and enemy ambushes. The vehicles were subjected to numerous attacks by the enemy who were armed with satchel and pole charges. On 18 June 1945 near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands, a supply train was ambushed. Captain LaPLACE personally exposed himself to enemy machine gun and sniper fire during the action that ensued. He directed his armored cars to fire effective machine gun and 37mm fire on Japanese positions which resulted in the destruction of one US Caliber .50 and two US Caliber .30 machine guns used by the Japanese. The enemy rushed the convoy under cover of automatic fire, carrying pole charges. Having previously placed his armored cars so as to provide maximum protection of the supply train, Captain LaPLACE was able to take the enemy under fire quickly. Not one Japanese reached any of the vehicles with pole charges. Captain LaPLACE'S aggressive spirit and leadership were an inspiration to the men during the action. Home address: Miss Margaret A. LaPlace, Sister, 7925 Inglenook Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Section IV - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade SAM COREA, 35023265, Infantry, United States Army. At Mount Mataba, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 February 1945, Technician COREA volunteered to accompany his regimental executive officer to the front lines in order to secure information of enemy dispositions and collect documents.

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Crossing an open field, they were subjected to small arms fire and artillery shelling. Finding temporary shelter in a former enemy emplacement which had been destroyed earlier that day, Technician COREA began a systematic search of enemy dead for vital papers. Artillery shells falling in the immediate vicinity detonated a booby-trap nearby; nevertheless, Technician COREA refused to leave the area until a thorough search had been made. He succeeded in obtaining information which proved invaluable to the successful accomplishment of a regimental mission. Home address: Mrs. Christian Corea, Mother, 3794 East 143d Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

First Lieutenant RALPH L. PORTER, 01300850, Infantry, United States Army. On Mount Baytangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 March 1945, Lieutenant PORTER, platoon leader of a weapons platoon, went forward to observe enemy action which was holding up an advance by an infantry company. He found several men pinned down by enemy machine gun and rifle fire. He and two other men moved a mortar to a point from which he could lay smoke on the men in order to get them out. Lieutenant PORTER then went forward and helped remove wounded men to a protected position. When all the men had been removed, he directed mortar fire on the enemy positions and destroyed them. Lieutenant PORTER'S bravery and devotion to duty enabled the infantry company to move forward and seize its objective. Home address: Mr. Perry L. Porter, Father, 2023 West 9th Street, San Bernardino, California.

Sergeant EDWIN J. SPIDELL, 35603769, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. At Munoz, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 January 1945, Sergeant SPIDELL volunteered to serve as lead scout for a reconnaissance patrol with a mission of traveling seven miles to the town of Munoz which was then in enemy hands. Upon reaching the town he instructed the other members of the patrol to remain under cover while he crawled a distance of two hundred yards beyond enemy lines. He located several tanks and field pieces behind the enemy front lines. He returned to his company to report the information gained. Sergeant SPIDELL then directed mortar fire on the positions he had located, causing them to be destroyed. His initiative and bravery made it possible for his company to seize its objective with a minimum of casualties. Home address: Mrs. Kathleen Spidell, Wife, 117 East 1st Street, Strasburg, Ohio.

Section V - Amendment of General Orders

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 36, this headquarters, dated 27 March 1945, pertaining to Private First Class OLLNEY D. FOSTER, 34054960, Infantry, as reads: "Private FOSTER was killed by concentrated fire from the enemy guns." is amended to read: "Private FOSTER was fatally wounded by concentrated fire from the enemy guns."

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 38, this headquarters, dated 29 March 1945, pertaining to Staff Sergeant JOHN F. BECKER, 6863137, Infantry, as reads: "He was killed by machine gun fire before he was able to reach his stricken comrade." is amended to read: "He was fatally wounded by machine gun fire before he was able to reach his stricken comrade."



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So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 132, this headquarters, dated 10 July 1945 as reads: "Staff Sergeant THOMAS M. MIKOLASEK, 37027163" is amended to read: "Staff Sergeant THOMAS M. MIKOLASEK, 37027168."

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL MURDIS:

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Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER CRAWFORD, 32356472, Infantry, United States Army. On Morotai Island and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 28 October 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy Crawford, Mother, 935 Constant Avenue, Peekskill, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES E. CRENSHAW, 34018631, Infantry, United States Army. On Morotai Island and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 October 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. James E. Crenshaw, Father, Rural Route #3, Weir, Mississippi.

Technician Fifth Grade LEONIDA A DI PILLA, 31051038, Infantry, United States Army. On Biak Island, Morotai Island and Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Comella, Mother, 38 Cleveland Street, North Providence, Rhode Island.

Captain GEORGE B. HAFEMAN, 01284326, Infantry, United States Army. At Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 21 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Phyllis L. Hafeman, Wife, c/o Mrs. Vivian Larence, Route #2, Box 325, Oswego, Oregon.

Sergeant FRANK OLIVER, 36585717, Infantry, United States Army. On Morotai Island and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 21 November 1944 to 21 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Oliver, Wife, 110 Pike Street, Shinnston, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT R. REED, JR., 39197882, Air Corps, United States Army. In the Rosario-Damortis sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 January 1945 to 18 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sylvia F. Reid, Mother, 6819 South Pine Street, Tacoma, Washington.

Sergeant HERMAN J. SCHUT, 39682363, Infantry, United States Army. On Biak Island, Morotai Island and Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 July 1944 to 7 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Schut, Mother, Ripon, California.

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Staff Sergeant EDGAR L. URSETH, 37031230, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olga Ursoth, Mother, Kelliner, Minnesota.

Sergeant DAVID M. WILLIAMS, 37373501, Infantry, United States Army. At Aitape, New Guinea; on Morotai Island; and Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Elmer W. Williams, Father, 1111 North Main Street, Carroll, Iowa.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)


By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel JOHN H. KUHLMAN, 0323014, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 10, Section III, General Orders No. 40, dated 29 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN H. KUHLMAN, 0323014, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 June 1945 to 28 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. E. J. Kuhlman, Wife, 121 E. Brooks, Norman, Oklahoma.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain LEON MARCUS, 0417859, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 9, Section II, General Orders No. 44, dated 4 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain LEON MARCUS, 0417859, Medical Corps, United States Army. During a hostile night counterattack in the Marikina Watershed area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 February 1945, Captain MARCUS crawled from the safety of his aid station dugout through intense enemy mortar and rifle fire to reach a foxhole in which a soldier lay severely wounded. While under fire, Captain MARCUS administered first aid and then assisted in carrying the wounded man to the aid station. Captain MARCUS' complete devotion to duty is worthy of high praise. Home address: Mr. A. Marcus, Father, 4819 14th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

IN COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL JURDIS:

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**Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant GEORGE I. NAKAMURA, 17145544, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, a small group of enemy Japanese had been isolated in a pillbox densely covered by bamboo thickets. Sergeant NAKAMURA volunteered to go forward to a point from which he could call to the enemy in an attempt to induce them to surrender. Using a patrol as protection, he proceeded along the road to within seventy-five yards of the enemy position. From there he called to the enemy soldiers but received no response. Although he knew that he could be observed by the enemy, believing that they had not heard his calls, he crawled to within twenty-five yards of the emplacement, where he arose, exposing himself to view, and again called to the enemy, encouraging them to surrender. The enemy's reply was a single shot which fatally wounded Sergeant NAKAMURA. By his fearless advance and voluntary performance of such hazardous duty, Sergeant NAKAMURA demonstrated the courage and loyalty exemplary of the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mr. George K. Nakamura, Father, 1401 E. State, Rockford, Illinois.

**Section II - Award of Silver Star**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class CHESTER W. AUERNHAMMER, 36575920, Infantry, United States Army. On 13 June 1945 in the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands a rifleman of an infantry company to which Private AUERNHAMMER'S 81mm mortar section was attached lost his footing while fording a wide swift river during an attack on enemy positions. He was carried under the raging water with his full pack. At the man's first cry for help, Private AUERNHAMMER, an ammunition bearer, unhesitatingly dropped his load of ammunition and, fully clothed, dove into the water in order to search for the soldier. Private AUERNHAMMER was carried under water for fifty feet and when he came to the surface he was within a short distance of the drowning man. While under heavy enemy fire, Private AUERNHAMMER, with the assistance of three other men who had arrived at the place of rescue, carried the unconscious man to safety, applied artificial respiration and revived him. After

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saving the man's life, Private AUERNHAMMER continued on with the attack, carrying his full load of ammunition to his mortar section. The gallantry displayed by Private AUERNHAMMER is worthy of high praise. Home address: Mrs. Anna Auernhammer, Mother, Route #1, Frankenmuth, Michigan.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal DAVID A. ERICKSON, 37085262, Infantry, United States Army. On the aft rnoon of 18 June 1945, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, a supply train hauling water, rations and ammunition to front line troops was suddenly ambushed by the enemy. The enemy opened fire with rifles and machine guns from well concealed positions on both sides of a road winding through rugged mountain passes covered by thick bamboo undergrowth. Corporal ERICKSON, company transportation corporal, who was driving the lead vehicle, immediately ordered all personnel to detruck and disburse. Realizing that the destruction of his truck would mean a total loss of much needed supplies, he remained with his vehicle and moved it forward out of the ambush area. Corporal ERICKSON'S quick thinking and courage under fire not only saved the lives of the men in his convoy but also resulted in the safe delivery of the supplies to the men at the front. Home address: Mrs. Anna Erickson, Mother, Four Corners, Wyoming.

First Sergeant WHITTEN PATTERSON, 6258885, Infantry, United States Army. At Muncoz, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 February 1945, during an attack on enemy-held positions, Sergeant PATTERSON'S company was pinned down and several casualties were lying on open ground exposed to enemy fire. Sergeant PATTERSON volunteered to go forward to evacuate the wounded. He crawled to the wounded men and rendered first aid. He then made two trips to the rear in order to get the men out of range of the enemy fire. His bravery reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Whitten Patterson, Wife, Oakhill, Kansas.

Private First Class CHARLES B. PETERS, 36158148, Infantry, United States Army. On 22 June 1945, Private PETERS, truck driver, was leading a supply convoy toward Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the vicinity of Payawan Rest House the convoy was attacked by a Japanese ambush, consisting of one platoon of Japanese employing four machine guns and knee mortars. The enemy was entrenched in an area covered with dense bamboo thickets and occupied commanding ground overlooking both sides of the road over which the convoy was moving. The intense machine gun fire forced the men on Private PETER'S vehicle to dismount and take cover. The remainder of the convoy was prevented from passing through the ambush area. During the fire fight that followed, we suffered one killed in action and ten wounded. Private PETERS, at the risk of his life, remounted his vehicle and ran the gauntlet of Japanese fire in order to move some of our wounded to safety and clear the road so that it was possible for the other vehicles to continue to a place of safety. Home address: Mrs. Ella Peters, Mother, Rural Free Delivery #1, White Pigeon, Michigan.

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Private First Class VIRGIL J. ROTZIEN, 35893882, Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, Private ROTZIEN voluntarily moved forward under intense enemy sniper and small arms fire with a group of men in order to remove a road block which had stopped the advance of self-propelled artillery. Private ROTZIEN, upon reaching the road block, set up a base of fire and protected the other men as they removed the obstacle. This action materially aided in the accomplishment of a mission. With the road block removed, self-propelled artillery was able to move forward in support of leading assault elements. Home address: Mrs. Viola Rotzien, Mother, 1119 West 8th Street, Michigan City, Indiana.

Private First Class JACK H. TENEYCK, 35932515, Infantry, United States Army. On 22 June 1945, Private TENEYCK, a truck driver, was a member of a supply convoy traveling toward Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the vicinity of Payawan Rest House the convoy was attacked by a Japanese ambush, consisting of one platoon of Japanese employing four machine guns and knee mortars. The enemy was entrenched in an area covered with dense bamboo thickets and occupied commanding ground overlooking both sides of the road over which the convoy was moving. The intense machine gun fire forced the men on his vehicle to dismount and take cover. During the fire fight that followed, we suffered one man killed in action and ten wounded. Private TENEYCK, at the risk of his life, remounted his vehicle and ran the gauntlet of enemy fire in order to move some of our wounded to safety and clear the road so that it was possible for other vehicles to continue to a place of safety. Home address: Mrs. Kathryn L. Teneyck, Wife, 1617 Kensington Boulevard, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Private First Class JAMES A. VOTAW, 37076651, Infantry, United States Army. On 22 June 1945, Private VOTAW, truck driver, was a member of a supply convoy traveling toward Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. In the vicinity of Payawan Rest House the convoy was attacked by a Japanese ambush, consisting of one platoon of Japanese employing four machine guns and knee mortars. The enemy was entrenched in an area covered with dense bamboo thickets and occupied commanding ground overlooking both sides of the road over which the convoy was moving. The intense machine gun fire forced the men on his vehicle to dismount and take cover. During the fire fight that followed, we suffered one man killed in action and ten wounded. Private VOTAW, at the risk of his life, remounted his vehicle and ran the gauntlet of enemy fire in order to move some of our wounded to safety and clear the road so that it was possible for other vehicles to continue to a place of safety. Home address: Mrs. Nellie B. Votaw, Mother, Allentown, Missouri.

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**ORIGINAL ORDER -**

20 July 1945

SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR - POSTHUMOUSLY  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR  
SECTION III - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES F. ECKMANN, 16175437, Cavalry, United States Army. On 17 June 1945, the armored car of which Technician ECKMANN was 37mm gunner was engaged in reconnoitering for enemy positions near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The terrain over which the car was operating was hilly, covered with extremely dense bamboo thickets. Enemy emplacements were well camouflaged. Throughout the day, Technician ECKMANN fired into numerous enemy pillboxes and caves, destroying an undetermined number of the enemy. Because of the density of foliage and thickets it was frequently necessary for him to stand up in the turret, exposing himself to enemy automatic weapons and rifle fire in order to locate accurately enemy positions and site effectively his gun on them. Late in the afternoon, the armored car was seriously damaged and three of the crew were wounded by a satchel charge thrown by an enemy ambush group. Leaping from the car, Technician ECKMANN ran toward the thicket from which the charge had been thrown in an attempt to locate and destroy the ambush group. He was killed by fire from an enemy machine gun before he could locate the enemy ambush. Technician ECKMANN'S alert and courageous performance in duty was an inspiration to all men with whom he served. Next of kin: Mrs. Florence Eckmann, Mother, 201 Michaux Road, Riverside, Illinois.

Section II - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant ALBERT M. CYR, JR., 37451815, Infantry, United States Army. On the evening of 16 June 1945, the platoon of which Sergeant CYR was a member was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire and sniper fire coming from well camouflaged positions just east of Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands. One of Sergeant CYR'S men was severely wounded and had fallen in an exposed position. Though the area in which the wounded man lay was covered by intense heavy machine gun fire, Sergeant

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CYR crawled forward and removed the wounded man to safety. After removing the wounded man, Sergeant CYR'S squad was still pinned down in a precarious position. Sergeant CYR had his squad remain in position and continue the fire fight while he slipped off the flank of his squad and ran and crawled over open terrain covered by enemy sniper fire in order to make contact with adjacent companies. Sergeant CYR then coordinated the fire of one of the companies, pinning the enemy down. He returned to his squad and maneuvered his men in such a way that they were able to knock out a machine gun and enemy riflemen, and continue their advance. Home address: Mrs. Albert M. Cyr, Jr., Wife, Rural Route #1, Box 96 A, Alderwood Manor, Washington.

Private First Class MORTIMER ROTH, 39729405, Medical Department, United States Army. At Barot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, the platoon to which Private ROTH was attached as an aid man was pinned down by fire from Japanese riflemen and machine gunners at very close range. The intense fire wounded three members of his platoon. They fell in an exposed area at a point about fifty yards from the enemy position. Private ROTH left his covered position and crawled forward over open terrain in face of the heavy enemy fire to give first aid to all three of the wounded men. He stayed with them until his comrades were able to maneuver forward to aid him in evacuating the wounded men. Home address: Mrs. May Eagle Roth, Wife, 402 Mission E. Way, Los Angeles, California.

First Lieutenant CARTER P. SEYMOUR, 01294203, Infantry, United States Army. On 5 February 1945, Lieutenant SEYMOUR, company commander of an infantry company, led his men in an attack on Munoz, Luzon, Philippine Islands. His lead platoon was pinned down by enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Lieutenant SEYMOUR worked his way well forward to a position from which he could better observe the situation. During his advance, he was wounded in the leg by mortar fire, but he refused to be sent back. He immediately maneuvered a support platoon to a position from which it could cover the enemy while he moved the lead platoon in a continuation of the attack. Lieutenant SEYMOUR'S outstanding courage and leadership were an inspiration to the men in his company and contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Home address: Mrs. Ausy Jane Seymour, Mother, Doniphan, Missouri.

Private First Class ROLSTON B. WINSOR, 36886695, Infantry, United States Army. At Barot, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945 while on patrol, Private WINSOR was serving as a rifleman in the rear squad of a support platoon. The leading platoon was hit by intense enemy machine gun and automatic rifle fire and was temporarily pinned down. At the same time, the rear of the patrol was menaced by five enemy attacking from the rear. Private WINSOR, voluntarily, moved out to meet the five enemy, killing two of them with rifle fire and causing the other three to withdraw. This gallant act prevented a surprise attack from the rear. Then, without hesitation, Private WINSOR moved up to the front of the patrol and, under intense enemy fire, assisted in bringing into a safe place a wounded man who was in direct line of enemy fire. The wounded man was given first aid. Again under fire, Private WINSOR helped remove him completely out of danger. Home address: Mrs. Rolston B. Winsor, Wife, 730 Spencer Road, Brighton, Michigan.



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Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant CECIL R. ASKINS, 36573402, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Private ASKINS crawled forward under heavy machine gun fire to a position from which he could place fire on an enemy machine gun emplacement. With a submachine gun he fired into the enemy position while other members of his platoon evacuated the wounded and removed the dead. Private ASKINS then moved farther forward and killed all the enemy in the emplacement. His courageous action was an inspiration to his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Ida Mae Askins, Mother, Box 88, Marlow, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant CARL E. BRYANT, 36211757, (then Sergeant) Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the evening of 16 June 1945, Sergeant BRYANT'S platoon was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Sergeant BRYANT crawled under the withering fire to help evacuate a wounded comrade and to remove four other members of his platoon who had been killed. Sergeant BRYANT might have taken advantage of heavy cover which was near at hand to protect himself, but, instead he voluntarily braved the enemy fire to assist a fallen comrade. His courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men with whom he serves. Home address: Miss Leona Bryant, Sister, Rapid River, Michigan.

Private First Class WILLIE C. MCKINNEY, 6297376, Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the evening of 16 June 1945, Private MCKINNEY, voluntarily, exposed himself to intense enemy fire in order to cover the operations of his comrades who were evacuating our wounded. The surrounding heavy brush and nature of the terrain offered cover and safety, but he chose to expose himself in order to help his comrades. Because of his bravery in providing covering fire at great risk to himself, his comrades were able to successfully accomplish the evacuation of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Lillie E. McKinney, Mother, West Randolph Street, Enid, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE T. SMITH, 37058054, Infantry, United States Army. At Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945, Sergeant SMITH'S platoon was subjected to intense sniper and heavy machine gun fire. The Japanese were well dug-in and camouflaged in this area. Sergeant SMITH maneuvered his squad so as to knock out one enemy heavy machine gun and killed several infantrymen. In doing this, he enabled the rest of his platoon to maneuver and make junction with an adjacent infantry company, thereby securing an important supply route. Sergeant SMITH'S

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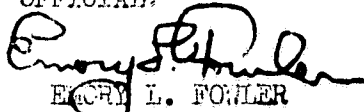
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courage and leadership were an inspiration to the men with whom he serves. Home address; Mrs. Lillian P. Smith, Wife, 5346 Helen Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

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21 July 1945

SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

Section I - Award of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel WILBUR D. VINCENT, 0326146, (then Major), Infantry, United States Army. At Munoz, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945, when his battalion commander was evacuated during an attack, Colonel VINCENT assumed command and coordinated the assault of two infantry battalions. From a forward observation post he reported the progress of the attack and directed mortar fire on enemy strongpoints. His accurate adjustment of fire knocked out two enemy tanks which had been hindering the advance of assault troops. Colonel VINCENT assisted in repulsing a determined attack on his position by a fanatical Japanese force. His skillful leadership, coolness under fire and disregard for his own safety served as an inspiration to his officers and men. His inspired leadership was materially responsible for the success of the attack and reflects great credit upon him and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Dora A. Vincent, Wife, 1206 Lincoln Street, Boise, Idaho.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Second Lieutenant ARTHUR L. ANDERSON, 02023975, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 18 June 1945 to 23 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Anton Anderson, Father, Route #6, Box 103 A, Duluth, Minnesota.

Sergeant JOHN H. BUNNER, 35750920, Armored, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Highway 4 from Payawan Rest House to Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 25 June 1945 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace Bunner, Mother, Route #4, Belington, West Virginia.

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Captain FORREST W. DALEY, 0294664, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 19 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene H. Daley, Wife, 1435 First Avenue East, Kalispell, Montana.

Private First Class RUSSELL F. GARRETT, 44037826, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945. Private GARRETT was a member of a combat patrol which was advancing up a narrow mountain trail. The patrol had moved about one thousand and five hundred yards when it was pinned down by intense enemy automatic weapons and sniper fire. One man of the patrol was wounded and, as he fell, slid off the trail down a fifteen foot incline which was under enemy observation. Private GARRETT crawled, in the face of the enemy fire, to the side of the wounded man and pulled him thirty yards into a partially defiladed position. He then placed the wounded soldier on his shoulders and carried him to an aid station. Private GARRETT'S heroic act reflects credit upon the military service and is worthy of great praise. Home address: Mrs. Julia R. Garrett, Mother, Route #1, Rockmart, Georgia.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. HARNIST, 35023052, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 June 1945. Private HARNIST, driver of a quarter-ton truck, while serving with a motorized combat patrol, was fired upon from the rear by an enemy heavy machine gun. The enemy fire wounded three members of the patrol. Still under fire, Private HARNIST, realizing that the only possible chance of evacuating the wounded meant passing again through the enemy lane of fire, drove his truck back through the enemy fire. He delivered the three wounded men to an aid station. Private HARNIST'S courageous action merits high praise and was an inspiration to the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mrs. Annice Harnist, Mother, RFD #1, Rome, Ohio.

Captain LAWRENCE LEEDS, 0524997, Dental Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty Greisman, Sister, 2200 Morris Avenue, New York, New York.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM J. TUCKER, 0547789, Cavalry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harriett E. Tucker, Wife, 58 Oxford Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Section III - Award of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class FREDERICK G. SZELINKA, JR., 36120296, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 5, Section I, General Orders No. 117, dated 28 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry

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Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Section III Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class FREDERICK G. STEINKA, JR., 36120296, Infantry, United States Army. On the morning of 22 June 1945 near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private STEINKA, a truck driver, was driving as part of a convoy moving over a narrow winding road with supplies for front line troops. His vehicle was loaded with 3.1 and 4.2 mortar ammunition. Suddenly, from each side of the road, enemy rifles and machine guns opened fire from well concealed positions behind thick bamboo undergrowth. The lead vehicle was knocked out by an enemy satchel charge, causing the remainder of the convoy to halt. Realizing that his load of ammunition might be hit by the constant enemy fire and explode, Private STEINKA quickly mounted his truck and drove four hundred yards through the ambush area, by-passing the disabled vehicle. He then dismounted and assisted in driving off the Japanese. Private STEINKA'S initiative and courage under fire were important factors in holding our casualties to a minimum while driving off the enemy and in making it possible for the convoy to reach the front line troops with vital supplies. Home address: Mrs. Matilda Steinka, Mother, Route #1, Midland, Michigan.

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SECTION IV - REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS

Section I - Award of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant JOHN L. SCHUNK, 37038725, Infantry, United States Army. On 29 June 1945, Sergeant SCHUNK, a rifle squad leader, while engaged in action against the enemy near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands, was wounded in his left arm by shrapnel. Despite his painful wound, Sergeant SCHUNK reorganized his squad and successfully repulsed an enemy attack from the rear. While repulsing the attack, Sergeant SCHUNK observed that several men in other squads were seriously wounded. He quickly crawled over rocky and open terrain, exposed to enemy fire, in order to administer first aid. After caring for the casualties, he immediately organized a litter party. He then personally scouted out a route over which the party evacuated the wounded. Sergeant SCHUNK'S gallant rescue of the wounded men saved their lives and merits the highest praise. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Dezora, Mother, Lake Andes, South Dakota.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 11419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal OSCAR D. CLARK, JR., 37076784, Infantry, United States Army. On the morning of 22 June 1945 near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Corporal CLARK, a truck driver, was driving as a part of a convoy moving along a narrow winding road with supplies for front-line troops. His vehicle was loaded with 60mm and 4.2 mortar ammunition. Suddenly, from each side of the road, enemy riflemen and machine gunners opened fire from well concealed positions behind thick bamboo undergrowth. The lead vehicle was knocked out by an enemy patcher charge, blocking the road and bringing the remainder of the convoy to a halt. Realizing that his load of ammunition might be hit by enemy fire and explode, Corporal CLARK quickly boarded his truck, drove four hundred yards through the ambush area, by-passing the disabled vehicle. He then dismounted and assisted in driving off the Japanese.

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Corporal CLARK'S initiative and courage under fire were important factors in holding our casualties to a minimum while driving off the enemy and in making it possible for the convoy to reach the front line troops with vital supplies. Home address: Mr. Oscar D. Clark, Sr., Father, Bellflower, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant TOMMIE CROCKER, 34084978, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bagabag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 June 1945, Sergeant CROCKER, rifle squad leader, was in charge of two rifle squads guarding a convoy moving rations, ammunition and equipment to frontline troops. When the convoy was suddenly stopped by heavy enemy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, Sergeant CROCKER immediately deployed his men and led them to advantageous positions. He then directed concentrated fire which silenced the enemy who were concealed in heavy underbrush. Sergeant CROCKER, by his quick action and courage in the face of heavy enemy fire, was largely instrumental in eliminating the enemy resistance, making it possible for the convoy to proceed. Home address: Mr. Morris C. Crocker, Brother, Trailer City Branch, Oakridge, Tennessee.

Private First Class RALPH M. ROBINSON, 37009442, Infantry, United States Army. During operations near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, Private ROBINSON, a rifleman, observed a member of his squad had been wounded. He immediately crawled forward under heavy enemy machine gun fire over hilly and rugged terrain to reach the wounded man. After administering first aid, he picked up the wounded man's automatic rifle and knocked out an enemy machine gun position which had inflicted several casualties on our troops. Private ROBINSON then brought the wounded man to the rear, making it possible for him to be taken to an aid station. His courageous act saved the life of his wounded comrade and contributed greatly to the seizure of a company objective. Home address: Mr. Harvey Robinson, Father, 418 Miami Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

Private First Class WALTER T. WALDEN, 37394937, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 July 1945, a Sherman medium tank, needed in direct support of Private WALDEN'S unit, was bogged down as the result of a bridge cave-in and unable to continue on its mission. A bulldozer was available for use in extricating the stalled tank, but there was no driver in the area. Private WALDEN, a member of an ammunition and pioneer platoon, volunteered to operate the bulldozer through enemy-held territory despite the fact that night was setting in. Private WALDEN succeeded in releasing the mired tank. As a result of Private WALDEN'S courageous act, the tank was put back into action and his unit was enabled to capture its part of a battalion objective. Home address: Mr. Walter T. Walden, Father, De Witt, Illinois.

Section III - Awards of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Circular No. 345, 23 Aug. 30 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Commanding General, 1st Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named units:

SERVICE COMPANY, 1ST INFANTRY REGIMENT, for meritorious service rendered during the Luzon, Philippine Islands campaign. During the period 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, Service Company of the 1st Infantry Regiment displayed outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult and hazardous

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assignments. Through the untiring efforts and tenacious determination of the officers and enlisted men of the company, the regiment was fully equipped, amply supplied and its transportation maintained in a high degree of combat service-ability for the Luzon operation under the most difficult weather and terrain conditions. Forward elements of Service Company landed with the assault waves and were soon followed by the main body of the company which landed at H-hour plus two hours. Immediately thereafter, the assigned mission of operating as a beach party in establishing supply areas, ammunition dumps, and unloading vital invasion supplies of the combat team in a limited time, while subject to and under enemy bombing attacks, was accomplished with the utmost efficiency. During the rapid advances of the combat team, in spite of the most rigorous combat conditions the unit unceasingly met the heavy demands of forward assault elements which often entailed day and night operations for three and four successive day periods with little or no rest for service personnel. Long and difficult supply routes, critical shortages of materiel, frequent displacement of the rear echelon and advance dumps, and repeated exposure to enemy fire have required the utmost expenditure of energy, ingenious resourcefulness, sound judgment, courage and outstanding initiative for successful accomplishment of the company's assigned mission. The outstanding performance of duty and enthusiastic execution of orders, in addition to exemplary standards of discipline, morale, military courtesy and appearance, merit the fullest credit and are highly commendable.

SERVICE BATTERY, 1ST FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for meritorious service rendered during the period, 1 December 1944 to 18 April 1945. While preparing for the M-1 operation against the Japanese on Luzon, Philippine Islands, Service Battery accomplished in a superior manner duties made difficult by the shortage of vehicles, service equipment and supplies. Through careful organization, improvised field expedients, and the assiduous performance of duty of the personnel of this unit, its mission was accomplished in a superior manner. In addition, Service Battery organized and equipped a rear echelon which later joined the battalion in the objective area. This was accomplished with excellent results. From S-Day, 9 January 1945 to 18 April 1945 in the Luzon operation, this organization serviced and supplied its battalion in a superior manner despite long supply routes caused by rapid changes in the tactical situation. Frequently ammunition hauls covered a distance of more than two hundred miles, often in blackout and over routes harassed by enemy snipers. The maintenance section of this battery operated in shifts day and night to keep ammunition and supply trains on the march. At all times during this period, Service Battery maintained a high standard of discipline and military courtesy; the execution of orders under difficult conditions was enthusiastically carried out; and the appearance of all personnel, installations and equipment was superior. This fine performance of duty is deserving of the highest praise.

SERVICE BATTERY, 80TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for meritorious service rendered during the period, 1 December 1944 to 18 April 1945. While preparing for the M-1 operation against the Japanese on Luzon, Philippine Islands, Service Battery accomplished in a superior manner duties made difficult by the shortage of vehicles, service equipment and supplies. Through careful organization, improvised field expedients, and the assiduous performance of duty of the personnel of this unit, its mission was accomplished in a superior manner. In addition, Service Battery organized and equipped a rear echelon which later joined the battalion in

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the objective area. This was accomplished with excellent results. From S-Day, 9 January 1945, to 18 April 1945 in the Luzon operation, this organization serviced and supplied its Battalion in a superior manner despite long supply routes caused by rapid changes in the tactical situation. Frequently ammunition hauls covered a distance of more than two hundred miles, often in blackout and over routes harassed by enemy snipers. The maintenance section of this battery operated in shifts day and night to keep ammunition and supply trains on the march. At all times during this period, Service Battery maintained a high standard of discipline and military comradsy; the execution of orders under difficult conditions was enthusiastically carried out; and the appearance of all personnel, installations and equipment was superior. This fine performance of duty is deserving of highest praise.

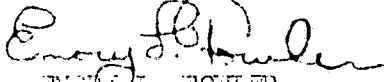
Section IV - Revocation of General Orders

Section I, General Orders No. 124, this headquarters, dated 29 June 1945 is revoked.

Section I, General Orders No. 130, this headquarters, dated 3 July 1945 is revoked.

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- SECTION I - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR
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- SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)
- SECTION IV - AWARDS OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

#### Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class THEODORE H. TURPEN, 37038781, Infantry, United States Army. During operations near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, Private TURPEN, without hesitation, crawled forward under intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire in order to rescue a wounded man. In the absence of aid men, he dragged the wounded man to a covered position and administered first aid. He then carried the wounded soldier to a rear installation where further medical aid could be given. Private TURPEN returned to the front lines and picked up the wounded man's tommy gun. He proceeded up a rocky slope to a position from which he provided covering fire, enabling a squad which was pinned down by enemy fire to withdraw. Private TURPEN'S courage and devotion to duty saved the life of a wounded comrade and prevented our troops from sustaining additional casualties. Home address: Mr. Leo R. Turpen, Brother, Nisland, South Dakota.

Private First Class LLOYD L. WEBB, 35439750, Infantry, United States Army. During operations near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, Private WEBB, a rifleman, observed that a member of his squad had been wounded. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Private WEBB crawled forward under intense enemy machine gun fire over hilly, rugged terrain to reach the wounded man. After administering first aid to his wounded comrade, Private WEBB picked up the wounded man's automatic rifle and fired into an enemy machine gun position, which had inflicted several casualties on our troops. Private WEBB, having knocked out the machine gun position with automatic fire, then proceeded to evacuate the wounded man to the rear of our lines so that he could be taken to an aid station for further medical care. His act saved the life of a wounded comrade and contributed greatly in the completion of a company objective. Home address: Mrs. Pearlle Webb, Mother, Whitesville, West Virginia.

#### Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

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First Sergeant BERNARD L. ANDERSON, 37032410, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 29 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esther Anderson, Wife, Max, Minnesota.

First Lieutenant WARREN D. BERNARD, 01323277, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945. When two platoons from an adjacent infantry company were isolated from friendly forces by enemy fire, Lieutenant BERNARD maneuvered his platoon so as to destroy the enemy forces and to make contact with the isolated platoons. He then, while under sniper fire, organized his platoon and the platoons of the adjacent company into a defensive force and held all the ground gained in effecting the rescue of the platoons which had been isolated. Home address: Mrs. Anita I. Bernard, Wife, 2022 45th Street, Astora, Long Island, New York.

Sergeant WILLIAM J. BINGHAM, 37071142, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 29 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Bingham, Mother, Schyler, Nebraska.

First Lieutenant RALPH D. HENDRICKS, 01294837, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 26 June 1945 to 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian L. Hendricks, Wife, 1818 North Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

Private First Class GEORGE R. HEROLD, 42021449, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945. Private HEROLD, a machine gunner, was attached to a rifle platoon which was assaulting a well fortified hill position held by the enemy. Though suffering from a shrapnel wound in the back of his head, he stayed with his machine gun and delivered the full fire of his weapon on the enemy, keeping them pinned down. Aid men were able to evacuate our wounded under cover of Private HEROLD'S machine gun fire. As he kept the enemy pinned down, a platoon maneuvered around the flank and destroyed two enemy machine gun nests and one knee mortar which had been inflicting many casualties on our troops. Private HEROLD'S courageous performance of duty saved the lives of many of his comrades and made it possible for the platoon to which he was attached to advance and complete its mission. Home address: Mrs. Veronica E. Herold, Mother, Bowen and Hillcrest Road, East Aurora, New York.

Technical Sergeant WINFRED JACKMAN, 37081380, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 25 April 1945. Home address: Miss Evelyn Jackman, Sister, Rutland, North Dakota.

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Staff Sergeant FLOYD R. PETROSKE, 37031168, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Lamut, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Petroske, Mother, Kerwatin, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant PAUL R. POPOVIC, 35025556, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 17 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anne U. Popovic, Wife, 2541 Woodhill Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Sergeant GERALD H. SALLEE, 37007477, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Cambat, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 February 1945. Sergeant SALLEE'S platoon was ordered to attack and seize a hill used by the enemy as an observation post. Heavy rifle and small arms fire pinned down the platoon. Sergeant SALLEE, realizing the necessity of quick action to avoid heavy casualties, worked his way forward to an advantageous position from which he was able to kill four of the enemy. His action disorganized the enemy defense and his platoon was able to seize the objective without sustaining any casualties. Home address: Mr. Elbert T. Sallee, Father, Route #1, Linneus, Missouri.

Sergeant JAMES E. WEBER, 33873854, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Weber, Wife, 66 West Delavan Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD R. WEIERHAUSER, 37045365, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 29 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jean Jodelle Weierhauser, Wife, 105 West 5th Street, Muscatine, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant ALFRED WHITECLOUD, 37030768, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 29 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Tillie W. Chase, Sister, Bena, Minnesota.

Section III - Award of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JOHN R. STALEY, 01174720, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section I, General Orders No. 121, dated 26 June 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

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First Lieutenant JOHN R. STALEY, O1174720, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the Payawan-Kiangan sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 27 June 1945 to 9 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rovena R. Staley, Wife, Box 365, Colton, California.

Section IV - Awards of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named units:

MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 1ST INFANTRY REGIMENT, for meritorious service rendered during the Luzon, Philippine Islands campaign. From 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, Medical Detachment of the 1st Infantry Regiment displayed outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult and hazardous assignments. Through the untiring efforts and tenacious determination of the officers and men of the detachment, personnel of the regimental combat team received the highest degree of medical attention, rendered under the most difficult weather and terrain conditions and subject to the hazards of combat throughout the Luzon, Philippine Islands campaign. Personnel of Medical Detachment landed with all assault waves of the Luzon operation and were soon followed by the headquarters personnel who landed with a non-assault wave. The bombed and shelled civilian population was immediately administered much needed medical aid and, as the combat team progressed toward successive assigned objectives, the ever-increasing medical problem of civilian personnel was handled with utmost efficiency and forethought. Throughout the combat assignments, medical aid men, surgical technicians, litter bearers, and officer personnel advanced with foremost assault elements, constantly displaying aggressive efforts in rescuing wounded personnel from enemy lanes of fire, sheltering them through severe mortar and artillery barrages, administering blood plasma in positions under intense fire, removing the dead from severely contested areas and meeting every demand of our command in rendering prompt and efficient medical aid. Although subject to artillery, mortar and sniper fire, and during constant relocation, rear and forward medical installations were established and operated with such a degree of efficiency and rapidity that administration of medical aid and evacuation to rear echelons were accomplished with a minimum loss of life. During the period, one hundred and twenty-one officers, three thousand two hundred and twenty-seven battle and non-battle casualties of regimental assigned personnel were processed. The unselfish devotion to duty, advance preparation for every emergency, ingenious resourcefulness, courage, valorous conduct, utmost expenditure of energy and outstanding initiative of the officers and enlisted personnel of the detachment reflect the highest credit upon the military service. The outstanding performance of duty, in addition to exemplary standards of discipline, morale, military courtesy and appearance, merits the fullest credit and is highly commendable.

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY, 5TH ENGINEER COMBAT BATTALION for outstanding maintenance of equipment and supply of engineer equipment in support of the division operation on Luzon, Philippine Islands. From 11 May 1945 to 10 July 1945 the Headquarters and Headquarters and Service Company obtained

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and issued five and one-half tons of maps for the division's use. The Company processed, issued and transported seventy-five tons of bridge material to open Highway 4 in Luzon, Philippine Islands for the supply of front line troops. Numerous water points were established to provide adequate water supply for our forces. The maintenance section achieved a superior standard of maintenance over one hundred and sixty-three varied pieces of equipment and vehicles. Although the engineering difficulties demanded long and arduous working periods, and the constant use of the equipment over difficult terrain caused many breakdowns, the section by its devotion to duty and unselfish efforts was able to keep equipment and vehicles in constant operation. The outstanding manner in which the Company accomplished its mission despite difficult and demanding circumstances reflects high credit upon its officers and men.

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SECTION V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer:

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM T. SCHOONOVER, 02024251, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945, when the advance of an assault company was held up by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire from a rifle platoon on the left of the primary objective, Lieutenant SCHOONOVER, rifle platoon leader, went around the left flank to knock out the resistance in order to permit the assault company to move forward. By clever maneuvering he was able to destroy the enemy force, killing ten and forcing the others to flee from the area. He held his men against counterattack, which was imminent, his own men being killed in the process. In placing his men in favorable firing positions, he exposed himself numerous times to enemy observation and intense sniper fire. Having placed his men in position, he was returning to his platoon command post when he was instantly killed by a bullet, fired from a nearby ravine. His aggressiveness under fire inspired his men to accomplish successfully their mission. Next of kin: Mrs. Wm. Schoonover, Wife, Rice, Minnesota.

Section II - Award of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant NICHOLAS T. BUNICH, 37010745, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945, Staff Sergeant BUNICH, a battalion anti-tank platoon squad leader, was given the duty of guarding a sector of the battalion perimeter at night. About 10:00 PM an attack supported by machine gun and rifle fire was made by the enemy in the battalion area near the anti-tank gun position occupied by Staff Sergeant BUNICH and five men. Sergeant BUNICH immediately proceeded to locate the enemy fire. Upon discovering that his 37mm anti-tank gun was in a defiladed position held by the enemy, he quickly ordered his men to move the anti-tank gun from a prepared dug in emplacement and displace it to a more favorable position.

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ground from which direct fire could be placed upon the enemy in his new position, he then supervised the laying of the gun and directed the mortar and heavy fire on the enemy. Sergeant BUNICH was wounded by mortar and rifle fire during the course of the action. Although wounded, refused to leave his gun and continued to direct the mortar fire, disrupting the attack and routing the enemy did he consent to be evacuated to the aid station. The gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by BUNICH proved an inspiration to all members of his squad. Home address: Bunich, Father, 718 Tenny, Kansas City, Kansas.

### Section III - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant MILLARD STROHN, 39009737, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 June 1945. The Company in which Sergeant STROHN was a member was defending a strategically important hill. The enemy launched a fierce counterattack. Sergeant STROHN, a squad leader, remained in one of the most forward positions and, by continuously firing his rifle, accounted for three of the enemy killed before being mortally wounded. His heroic action and devotion to duty helped repulse the enemy counterattack, thereby saving the lives of many of his comrades. Next of kin: Mrs. Sylvia Stroh, Mother, Palmdale, California.

### Section IV - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3-WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL L. BAKER, 37065826, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 June 1945. The perimeter positions of Sergeant BAKER'S company were under attack by the enemy. The company had just set up and there had not been sufficient time for mortars to be registered in or a system of communication installed. Sergeant BAKER, section leader of the mortars, acting on his own initiative, directed mortar fire toward the attacking force. He brought the mortar fire in to a minimum distance of safety. During the entire action he was exposed to enemy small arms and knee mortar fire. Through his aggressive action under fire, he was instrumental in breaking up the attack, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Lida Baker, Mother, Route #2, Quitman, Arkansas.

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Private First Class RUSSELL T. BLOWER, 39340866, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On the morning of 22 June 1945 near Bagabag, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private BLOWER, a rifleman, was acting as guard on a convoy moving to the front lines with ammunition, rations and equipment. An enemy ambush was encountered. Heavy machine gun and mortar fire from enemy positions concealed in dense underbrush caught one of the vehicles in fierce cross-fire, wounding the driver and several men who were aboard. Private BLOWER dashed from cover across an exposed area to reach the stalled truck and drove it from the ambush area to safety. Home address: Mrs. Eunice M. Blower, Wife, 1523 SE Taylor Street, Portland 14, Oregon.

Private First Class HOWER BOWKER, JR., 32843521, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. In the vicinity of Elog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945, while attacking enemy positions, Private BOWKER'S platoon was held up by intense enemy sniper fire. Two lead scouts were wounded. Private BOWKER, a rifleman, volunteered to act as lead scout. In the ensuing action, Private BOWKER killed one sniper. When his second scout was wounded, he ran to his side, disregarding his own safety, under constant sniper fire. He administered first aid and succeeded in evacuating the wounded scout to a place of safety. His actions saved the life of the wounded soldier. In addition, one of his fellow scouts, Private BOWKER was seriously wounded by enemy sniper fire. Private BOWKER'S devotion to duty and loyalty to his country was an inspiration to all members of his platoon. Home address: Mrs. Jean B. Bowker, 100th Street, New York 11, New York.

Sergeant HARRY C. DAVIS, 31317661, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 26 June 1945 near Pyraman, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Sergeant DAVIS was given the mission of delivering vital supplies to front line troops. His carrying party consisted of one hundred and thirty Filipinos and American guards. The movement of supplies had to be made over rough and difficult terrain. While the supply train was trying to reach the front line troops, it was ambushed by enemy machine gun and rifle fire, causing the death of one Filipino and wounding three others. Sergeant DAVIS immediately had the wounded cared for. He reorganized his supply train under cover from enemy fire and reconnoitered for a secondary route to bypass the enemy ambush. Finding such a route, he led his supply train to its destination, delivering supplies to the front line troops. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Davis, Mother, General Delivery, Cherryfield, Maine.

Captain LORIN D. DAWSON, 0471990, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorin D. Dawson, Wife, 3702 Randolph Street, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JAMES D. FINKLE, 01053597, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of Tagalog and Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 2 June 1945 to 15 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mirriam F. Finkle, 198 Homestead Avenue, Albany, New York.

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positions. When one of his men was wounded, Sergeant SMITH organized his men to provide a base of fire to enable others to crawl forward and rescue the wounded man. Sergeant SMITH'S leadership and fearlessness under fire had direct bearing on the success of the mission and inspired all the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mrs. Betty Lee Smith, Wife, 2074 Washburn Street, Topeka, Kansas.

First Lieutenant WARREN R. STONE, O2037101, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 July 1945, Lieutenant STONE, heavy machine gun platoon leader, was attached to an infantry rifle company. Their temporary objective was to hold high ground for the night. During the night a strong enemy force, employing small arms and knee mortar fire, attacked the defensive positions of the rifle company. Lieutenant STONE voluntarily exposed himself to the enemy fire to maneuver through the positions of the rifle company. He succeeded in reaching a 81mm mortar section which also was in support of the rifle company. Lieutenant STONE then directed 81mm mortar fire with such accuracy that it greatly aided in repulsing the counterattack, inflicting heavy casualties upon the enemy. Home address: Mr. Elmer P. Stone, Father, 44 S. Avenue, Piedmont, California.

Staff Sergeant LESTER E. VINSON, 3704959, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the evening of 10 July 1945, the enemy was setting up its defensive position for the night. The next morning the platoon was attacked by an enemy force estimated to be of a platoon armed with automatic weapons, grenades and mortar fire. The enemy was located on the side of a hill and had good observation of our position. During the exchange of fire, one of our men was seriously wounded and unable to move. Sergeant VINSON, section sergeant, went through the fire with the wounded man and succeeded in withdrawing the wounded man to a place of safety where first aid was administered. He then returned to his post and helped reorganize the platoon. Home address: Mr. Charles H. Vinson, Father, Bentonville, Arkansas.

Section V - Award of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant DERRALD J. SNOOK, 37031028, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 23, Section I, Order No. 33, dated 22 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to Staff Sergeant SNOOK, acting platoon sergeant, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 19 June 1945, the company of which Sergeant SNOOK was a member was given the mission of securing an enemy strongpoint near Kiangon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant SNOOK, acting platoon sergeant, led his platoon through intense enemy small arms and knee mortar fire, succeeding in securing the strongpoint.


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the enemy strongpoint. His platoon destroyed the knee mortars inflicting casualties on our troops and killed fifteen Japanese. His courage and leadership contributed greatly to the taking and securing of an important objective with a minimum of casualties. Home address: Mr. Snook, Mother, Henning, Minnesota.

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Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant HAROLD A. BEZAZIAN, O1311364, Infantry, United States Army. At Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 March 1945, as Lieutenant BEZAZIAN led his company in an aggressive advance over steep wooded terrain to secure a high ground position which provided excellent camouflage for Japanese forces, the company encountered deadly enemy cross-fire from two dual-purpose machine guns located in well fortified emplacements. Seven men fell wounded with the first bursts of concentrated enemy fire and were unable to crawl from their precarious positions within the lanes of enemy fire. After rapidly shifting his company and ordering an 81mm mortar smoke screen, Lieutenant BEZAZIAN, company commander, gallantly led a second attack into the severely contested area in order to rescue the casualties before they were reached by enemy sniper fire. As he fearlessly crawled forward under the continuous barrage, aiding and supervising the evacuation of three wounded men, he was instantly killed by a burst of enemy machine gun fire. Next of kin: Mr. John B. Bezazian, Father, 5231 Wayne Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Section II - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant JOHN T. DIETERICH, O2007762, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945, our front line troops had been pinned down for more than six hours by enemy 37mm gun fire and the fire from supporting enemy riflemen. Lieutenant DIETERICH placed 4.2 mortar fire upon the enemy positions holding up our advance. Though exposed to persistent sniper fire, the accurate observation and direction of mortar fire by Lieutenant DIETERICH cleared the way for our infantry's continued advance. In order to effect the destruction of the strongly held enemy position, it was

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necessary for Lieutenant DIETERICH to bring the mortar fire to within seventy-five yards of friendly troops. His bravery and efficiency under fire were an inspiration to both his observation party and to the surrounding infantry. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Hunziker, Mother, 3517 West 127th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Private First Class ALDEN D. DILL, 31402380, Infantry, United States Army. On 19 June 1945, the unit of which Private DILL is a member was engaged in an attack on a heavily fortified enemy defensive position near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. While acting as an automatic rifleman of a leading rifle squad, Private DILL located an enemy pillbox which was delaying the advance of his company. Disregarding his own safety, he crawled under intense enemy machine gun fire from the pillbox through dense brush to the rear of the enemy position. With fire from his automatic rifle Private DILL killed six of the enemy and knocked out an enemy anti-aircraft machine gun which had been firing on his company. His courageous action enabled the company to continue its advance and accomplish its mission. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Dill, Mother, Route #1A, Gardiner, Maine.

Private First Class GEORGE W. SNYDER, 37040060, Infantry, United States Army. On 25 June 1945, Private SNYDER accompanied a mortorized patrol along a narrow winding road near Bambang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As the patrol rounded a curve in the road, enemy machine guns and rifles opened fire from the top of a steep embankment. Private SNYDER, along with the other members of the patrol, immediately sought cover. Since from his covered position Private SNYDER could not definitely locate the enemy, he unhesitatingly stepped out into the open on the road and swept the top of the embankment with sub-machine gun fire, forcing the enemy to take cover. With the enemy pinned down by Private SNYDER'S automatic fire, the other members of the patrol were able to leave their cover and turn the vehicle around and start back to safety. As the vehicle got under way, Private SNYDER jumped on the side. Clinging to the vehicle with one hand, he continued to deliver protective fire until the vehicle rounded a curve out of range of the enemy fire. Private SNYDER'S courage and willingness to risk his own safety were directly responsible for averting the almost certain destruction which threatened the entire patrol. Home address: Mrs. Valnie Donkelvar, Mother, 1522 Third Street, Southeast, Auburn, Washington.

Private First Class WILLIAM G. STOKER, 39923447, Infantry, United States Army. On 4 July 1945, near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the platoon of which Private STOKER, a rifleman, was a member assaulted a heavily fortified enemy position. During the attack one of the forward men was wounded by enemy machine gun fire and lay helpless in a position covered by direct enemy fire from the front and both flanks. Private STOKER, with utter disregard for his personal safety, crawled forward for a distance of fifty yards over exposed terrain to the side of his wounded comrade. He then carried him back over the same route to a place of safety where medical aid was available. Through his unselfish devotion to duty, Private STOKER saved the life of his comrade. Home address: Mrs. Anne F. Stoker, Wife, RFD #4, Ogden, Utah.

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First Lieutenant SAMBURN SUTHERLAND, 01109702, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. In the vicinity of Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945, while leading his engineer platoon in the construction of a forward supply road, a member of his security squad was hit and seriously wounded by a well-emplaced enemy sniper. Lieutenant SUTHERLAND immediately made his way across a cleared area to go to the aid of the wounded man. Before reaching him, Lieutenant SUTHERLAND was fired upon by the sniper and the bullet, piercing his helmet, stunned him momentarily. When he regained consciousness, he continued across the clearing. In full view of the enemy he carried the wounded soldier to cover. His heroism reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Dr. W. W. Sutherland, Brother, 291 Highland Avenue, Ridgewood, New Jersey.

Private First Class CHARLES F. TISDALE, 31436742, Infantry, United States Army. On 17 June 1945, Private TISDALE, a riflemen, was a member of a squad guarding an armored vehicle moving down Highway 4 toward Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Upon rounding a curve in the road, the party was ambushed, forcing the men to take cover. During the intense machine gun and rifle fire fight which followed, a Japanese threw a dynamite charge under the armored car. As a result of the explosion, one of the occupants of the vehicle was seriously wounded. Private TISDALE ran through the intense fire and carried the wounded man to safety. Then, seeing another member of his squad seriously wounded, he returned to rescue him. He reached the wounded man, placed him on his shoulder and succeeded in carrying him to safety. Private TISDALE'S gallant acts undoubtedly saved the lives of the two wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Clarisse A. Tisdale, Wife, 128 Magazine Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Colonel EVERETT M. YON, 05730, Infantry, United States Army. On 19 January 1945, Colonel YON, commanding an infantry regiment, was given the mission of taking high ground along the Damortis-Rosario Road, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The enemy was bitterly defending his position with artillery pieces sited for direct fire from concealed emplacements and with numerous pillboxes covered with machine gun, rifle and mortar fire. During the afternoon of 19 January 1945, Colonel YON went to the front lines to make a personal reconnaissance and to formulate a plan of attack. This ground reconnaissance was made under observed artillery and mortar fire. Colonel YON followed this reconnaissance on the morning of 20 January 1945 with an aerial flight in a cub plane over the enemy position. After concluding this flight, Colonel YON immediately returned to the front lines. Although subjected to all types of enemy fire, Colonel YON personally directed the assault until the high ground was taken and the defending enemy destroyed. His cool judgment and gallant leadership inspired in his men a fighting spirit which resulted in a decisive victory for his regiment. Home address: Mrs. Catherine E. Yon, Wife, 2409 Broome Street, Gainesville, Florida.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6 to the following named officer and enlisted men:

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Private First Class RANDALL BOSTON, 37375009, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 July 1945 to 12 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Claude Boston, Brother, General Delivery, Lebanon, Missouri.

Master Sergeant RAYMOND F. FAHY 32166305, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 May 1945 to 22 July 1945. Home address: Mr. George F. Fahy, Brother, 145 McAdoo Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

Sergeant DAVID E. FORTUNE, 33048493, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During operations near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 July 1945, a rifle company of an infantry battalion was given the mission to advance along Highway 4 and seize commanding ground. Sergeant FORTUNE, a member of a battalion communication section, volunteered to follow the rifle company along the highway and lay communication wire by hand as the troops advanced. During the advance, the company was forced to move from the road and take to the hills when the enemy brought the highway under fire. The communication line was cut by the enemy fire. Sergeant FORTUNE traced the wire back to the highway where he located the break in the line and repaired it, while exposed to enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Sergeant FORTUNE'S devotion to duty greatly aided in the accomplishment of a mission. Home address: Mrs. Hattie S. Fortune, Mother, RFD, Lovingsston, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant H. C. HENLEY, 34152753, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 17 June 1945, his infantry company was given the mission of furnishing a guard for an armored vehicle advancing down Highway 4 toward Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Upon rounding a curve, Private HENLEY'S squad and the armored vehicle were ambushed by the Japanese who opened fire with machine guns from well concealed positions behind thick bamboo undergrowth. Despite heavy casualties to his squad, Private HENLEY reorganized the squad and held the enemy fire to a minimum until the wounded men were carried to safety. Private HENLEY'S courage and leadership were an inspiration to his men. Home address: Mrs. Lora Henley, Mother, Route #1, Castor, Louisiana.

First Lieutenant CHARLES H. HOUCK, 02037060, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes E. Houck, Mother, 418 E. 31st Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Private First Class EUGENE F. LA RUE, 33256890, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elsie La Rue, Mother, RFD #1, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class THOMAS G. MCGUIRE, 37038550, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During operations near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 July 1945, rifle companies of an infantry battalion were attacking a strong enemy force. Communications by radio and wire had been established between the companies and the battalion command post. During the encounter with the enemy, the wires were cut and the batteries of the radios were going dead. Private MCGUIRE, a member of the battalion communication section, volunteered to trace the lines and repair the breaks. Although he was exposed to enemy sniper fire, he was able to locate the break in the wires and repair them. He then obtained new batteries for the company radios. Private MCGUIRE'S devotion to duty enabled the companies to accomplish successfully their mission. Home address: Mrs. Ruth McGuire, Mother, Bassett, Nebraska.

Technician Fourth Grade NATHAN H. ROSEN, 32991418, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jean Rosen, Wife, 1856 West 4th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade HERBERT ROTH, 37029622, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 18 July 1945. Home address: Mr. John Roth, Father, Box 285, Ashland, North Dakota.

Private First Class ALBERT ROY, 39075867, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sena Roy, Mother, General Delivery Tracy, California.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. STEIGER, JR., 32623810, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Steiger, Mother, 249 West Hoffman Avenue, Lindenhurst, New York.

Corporal ROBERT L. ZINT, 35347095, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine F. Zint, Mother, 805 West Pearl Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio.

Section IV - Awards of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named units:

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SERVICE COMPANY, 20TH INFANTRY, for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty from 9 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Through the untiring efforts of the officers and men of Service Company, the 20th Infantry Regiment was fully equipped and its warfare materiel placed and maintained in an excellent status of combat serviceability for the Luzon, Philippine Island campaign. Preparation for this operation entailed day and night loading and unloading of large quantities of rations, ammunition, equipment, clothing and personnel under the most difficult weather and surf conditions with a minimum of personnel and equipment. Service Company landed on S-Day, 9 January 1945. One-third of its personnel moved in with the assault waves; one-third who were unloading ships, went ashore within 8 hours; and the other third worked untiringly at the base to insure expediting the movement of supplies to the operational area. Within 4 hours after H-Hour, dumps were established and in operation. The unit rendered invaluable service to the regiment throughout the entire operation. In spite of the most rigorous combat conditions, the organization maintained advance distributing points for rations, ammunition and other materiel from which the exceptionally heavy demands for such supplies were met and the essential supplies furnished to regimental and attached units. Upon receipt of orders from higher headquarters directing that all gas masks be collected and packed to be carried by units, Service Company collected and started packing masks for storage within 8 hours. Long and difficult supply roads, infested with snipers and subjected to enemy artillery fire, required the utmost expenditure of energy, ingenious resourcefulness and outstanding initiative for successful accomplishment of missions assigned to the organization. Such outstanding performance of duty, in addition to the achievement of exemplary standards of discipline, appearance and military courtesy, is deserving of highest praise.

SERVICE BATTERY, 53D FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945. While preparing for the Luzon operation, Service Battery accomplished in a superior manner duties made difficult by the shortage of vehicles, service equipment and supplies. A shortage of transportation existed due to additional details required in transporting the personnel and equipment of other units to the embarkation point. Through careful organization, improvised field expedients and the assiduous performance of duty, the personnel of Service Battery accomplished its mission in a superior manner. In addition, Service Battery organized and equipped a rear echelon which later joined the battalion in the objective area. This was accomplished with excellent results. From S plus 1, 10 January 1945, until 1 May 1945 in the Luzon operation, the organization serviced and supplied its battalion in a superior manner despite long supply routes caused by rapid changes in the situation. Frequently ammunition trips were made over distances of more than two hundred miles, often in blackout and on routes harrassed by enemy snipers. The maintenance section operated in shifts day and night in order to keep ammunition and supply trains on the march. At all times during this period, Service Battery maintained a high standard of discipline and military courtesy; the execution of orders under difficult conditions was enthusiastically carried out; and the appearance of all personnel, installations and equipment was superior. Such fine performance of duty is deserving of the highest praise.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HURDIS:

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

12 August 1945

SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Section I - Award of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel DONALD D. BLACKBURN, O367228, Infantry, United States Army. During the period 20 July 1945 to 10 August 1945, while his regiment was attached to the 6th Infantry Division, Lieutenant Colonel BLACKBURN, commanding a Filipino Regiment, displayed outstanding leadership, determination, initiative and courage. Given the mission of capturing Mayoyao, deep in the heart of the wild and mountainous Ifugao Province of Luzon, Philippine Islands he led his troops many miles over mountains and unfordable streams swollen from heavy tropical rains to within striking distance of his objective. Here he was confronted with a strong enemy position consisting of cave defenses atop a jagged ridge over five thousand feet in elevation. Terrain prevented any artillery from moving to within supporting distance of the attack, and little air support could be furnished because of adverse weather conditions. In spite of these handicaps and severe losses, he gallantly pushed the attack against a determined force until the position was taken and the town of Mayoyao secured. His continued presence with front-line troops under enemy small arms and mortar fire was an inspiration to his men. Although short of ammunition, rations and medical supplies because of supply difficulties, and although forced to evacuate his wounded over a forty mile hand-carry through mountainous terrain, Lieutenant Colonel BLACKBURN by his personal leadership maintained in his troops high esprit which carried them through to victory. His gallantry in the face of such difficulties is exemplary of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Blackburn, Parents, 1300 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington D. C.

Section II - Award of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer:

Major GREGORY H. SWICK, (no ASN), Commanding Officer of a Philippine

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Infantry Battalion attached to the 6th Infantry Division. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 25 July 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary S. Swick, Mother, 1623 Pine Street, Miami, Arizona.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HURDIS:

OFFICIAL:

*Ernest L. Fowler*

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The 3D BATTALION, 63D INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on LUZON, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, during the period 23 February to 1 March 1945.

The 3D BATTALION, 63D INFANTRY REGIMENT, on 22 February 1945 was assigned the mission of securing the high ground northeast of MONTALBAN, RIZAL PROVINCE. This objective was a key position in the formidable and strongly defended SHIMBU LINE east of MANILA. The objective was studded with Jap pill-boxes and cave and tunnel positions whose approaches were covered with artillery and heavy mortar fire, and was defended by skillful and determined Jap infantry. On 23 February, the Battalion moved under cover of darkness across the MARIKINA RIVER Valley, overran the Jap outpost line in a vicious night attack, and by dawn had stormed and taken its initial objective, a small hill to the south of the final objective, only after a fierce attack with bayonets and grenades. By late afternoon, the final objective had been taken despite intense enemy artillery, heavy mortar and small arms fire. From 24 February to 1 March, the enemy attempted to retake the hill with eight determined infantry night counter-attacks supported by massed artillery and mortar fires from weapons ranging up to 155mm guns and 150mm mortars. Twice the enemy reached our dug-in positions but were hurled back in bitter hand-to-hand fighting. At no time did the Battalion give an inch of ground. The seizure of this objective cut off the main Jap line of communications through MONTALBAN and bottled up the enemy in the MARIKINA RIVER Gorge. Headquarters and communications personnel were subjected to direct attack to the same degree as were front-line troops. Medical and chaplain personnel frequently carried out their duties under heavy fire. Because of the intensity and accuracy of enemy artillery and heavy mortar concentrations, all supply and evacuation had to be accomplished under cover of darkness over routes which were constantly being attacked by enemy night infiltration and demolition parties. Jap casualties during the period were 210 counted killed in the objective area. Friendly casualties were 12 dead and 37 wounded and injured. The magnificent esprit de corps displayed in this engagement by every officer and man of the Battalion distinguished this unit to an extraordinary degree. The courage and unwavering devotion to duty of all members of the 3D BATTALION, 63D INFANTRY REGIMENT, reflects great credit on the Army of the United States.

C. E. HURDIS

Major General, U. S. Army  
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ORIGINAL ORDER

14 August 1945

- SECTION I - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR
- SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
- SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)
- SECTION IV - AWARD OF TERRITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

#### Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class THOMAS R. CRAWFORD, 37031491, Infantry, United States Army. On 27 June 1945 near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands during an attack by an infantry platoon of which Private CRAWFORD is a member, two men were wounded and were lying helpless in positions exposed to enemy sniper fire. With disregard for his personal safety, Private CRAWFORD rushed forward and carried one of the wounded men to a place of safety. He then went forward a second time and carried the other man back. Private CRAWFORD was under constant sniper fire while rescuing the wounded men. Later, Private CRAWFORD voluntarily led a patrol forward, located the sniper positions and directed mortar fire on them. After this action, his company was able to move forward and accomplish its mission. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private CRAWFORD were an inspiration to the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mr. Benjamin L. Crawford, Father, Roscoe, South Dakota.

Private First Class WARREN D. SCHWENDELMANN, 39475491, Infantry, United States Army. During the night of 23 June 1945, while defending a hill near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the organization of which Private SCHWENDELMANN is a member was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack. As an enemy force charged his position, Private SCHWENDELMANN immediately entered into close combat with them. In hand-to-hand combat, he killed two of the enemy and helped drive off the others. While accomplishing the rout of the enemy force, he himself was seriously wounded by two bayonet cuts and also dazed by a butt stroke on the head. Despite his wounds, Private SCHWENDELMANN remained in his position for the remainder of the night in order to help repulse the enemy counterattack. His display of courage and fortitude reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. John M. Schwendemann, Father, Okoene, Oklahoma.

#### Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No.

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9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND G. AVERY, 37066980, Infantry, United States Army. On 8 July 1945 while advancing against an enemy strongpoint near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the infantry platoon for which Sergeant AVERY was acting as guide was subjected to intense enemy lance mortar, machine gun and rifle fire. Several casualties resulted. Sergeant AVERY crawled forward to an advantageous position from which he delivered constant and accurate fire upon the enemy. This fire was so effective that the enemy was pinned down, thereby enabling the wounded men to be evacuated to safety. Though Sergeant AVERY was within range of enemy small arms fire, he remained in his position and continued firing until all of the platoon could take up new positions. Home address: Mr. John A. Avery, Father, Route #3, Prescott, Arkansas.

Private First Class ANTHONY W. LOIBARDO, 36122006, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bagabag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the morning of 22 June 1945, Private LOIBARDO, rifleman, was acting as guard for a motor convoy. The convoy was moving rations, ammunition and equipment to the front lines when an enemy ambush was encountered. Heavy enemy machinegun and mortar fire from concealed positions in dense underbrush wounded the driver of a radio car, stalling the convoy and exposing it to heavy damage. Private LOIBARDO dashed from cover and ran over exposed terrain in order to reach the radio car and drive it from the danger area. By this intrepid action, Private LOIBARDO prevented further injury to the wounded man and at the same time cleared the highway, making it possible for the remainder of the convoy to move through the danger area. Home address: Miss Irma Lombardo, Cousin, 13619 Russell Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class CLYDE H. LEAD, 37753152, Infantry, United States Army. On 9 July 1945, the infantry platoon of which Private LEAD was lead scout was given the mission of knocking out an enemy road block near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The road block had been delaying the advance of our troops in their drive to secure a final objective which was surrounded by dense bamboo thickets. While the platoon was advancing upon the road block, it encountered intense enemy rifle fire and grenades thrown from an ambush. Private LEAD was wounded, but, despite his wounds, he continued to render effective covering fire until the remainder of the platoon could withdraw to cover. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Lead, Mother, Route #2, Wood River, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant LAURENCE A. O'DONNELL, 37031087, Infantry, United States Army. On 4 July 1945 near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the rifle company of which Sergeant O'DONNELL is machine gun section leader contacted a large number of enemy troops located on high ground. Moving forward to engage the enemy, the company occupied a ridge leading to the Japanese positions. Once upon the ridge, the company drew withering machine gun and sniper fire, both from its flanks and from its front. Sergeant O'DONNELL placed his machine guns along the ridge from which position it was possible to fire upon the enemy and silence enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Spotting emplacements upon both the flanks from which Japanese guns were firing, he returned to his section, moving across the open ridge to do so, and directed fire upon the enemy guns. So effective were his fire orders that the Japanese were unable to return fire upon our troops. Home address: Mrs. Florence K. O'Donnell, Mother, 361 Linnington Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Private First Class THOMAS J. PARENT, 39933713, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945, Private PARENT was serving as lead scout of a rifle platoon which had been sent around the left flank of an assault company to secure a heavily fortified enemy-held ridge, a position from which the enemy had been holding up the advance of the assault company. Taking a lead of approximately twenty yards in front of his platoon, Private PARENT moved forward through a ravine. When he located the enemy, he signaled information to his platoon leader which enabled the platoon leader to displace his men in advantageous positions. Taking protective fire cover from his platoon, Private PARENT continued his advance to the center of the enemy position. Here it became necessary for him to open fire when the enemy rose to meet his advance. Private PARENT killed three of the enemy and fire from his platoon soon silenced the remainder of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Esther O. Parent, Wife, 5 North Excelsior Avenue, Butte, Montana.

Staff Sergeant HUGH PERKINS, 37000169, Infantry, United States Army. Near Boleg, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 June 1945, Sergeant PERKINS was attached to a front line company as an 81mm mortar observer. Unable to observe the results of his fire from his regular observation post, Sergeant PERKINS crawled forward under constant enemy fire to a point from which observation could be obtained. Although he was wounded by sniper fire, he continued to adjust and place mortar fire on enemy strongpoints. As a direct result of his aggressive action, the company was able to take its objective. Sergeant PERKINS' courage and devotion to duty merit high praise. Home address: Mrs. Mae Swanigan, Mother, Route #1, Plad, Missouri.

Section III - Award of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant CHRISTIAN A. MATHIESEN, 39009764, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 6, Section II, General Order No. 30, dated 22 March 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant CHRISTIAN A. MATHIESEN, 39009764, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Near Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 July 1945, the infantry platoon in which Sergeant MATHIESEN served as squad leader was advancing against the enemy when it was stopped by intense fire from a well emplaced enemy machine gun. The squad which Sergeant MATHIESEN was leading was given the mission of destroying the machine gun emplacement. Intense enemy fire continued as the squad launched its attack on the enemy position and one of Sergeant MATHIESEN'S men was wounded. Sergeant MATHIESEN went forward and succeeded in carrying the wounded man to safety where first aid treatment was available. Sergeant MATHIESEN'S courageous and unselfish act exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and is deserving of praise. Home address: Mr. Carl Mathieson, Brother, Route #3, Box 697, Watsonville, California.

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Section IV - Award of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named unit:

MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 630 INFANTRY REGIMENT. During the period 10 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, Medical Detachment, 631 Infantry Regiment displayed extreme devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. Aid men repeatedly went forward of our front lines to carry seriously wounded men to safety. Skillful and immediate aid was given under the most hazardous conditions. Aid stations were set up near the front lines in order to expedite care and evacuation of the wounded. Often, aid stations were under enemy artillery and small arms fire. Wounded and exhausted litter teams willingly made numerous trips over difficult evacuation routes. High casualties necessitated that more than one half of the detachment work with front line troops. The remaining men, in battalion and regimental aid stations, were forced to work on a twenty-four-hour basis for a greater part of the combat period. The determination and self-sacrifice shown by Medical Detachment proved an important morale factor for all troops. Medical Detachment achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline based on superior military courtesy; superior appearance of personnel, installations, and equipment; and enthusiastic execution of orders.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HUNDIS:

OFFICIAL:

*E. Lee Carlton*  
E. LEE CARLTON

Major, AGD

Asst Adjutant General

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UNIT CITATION

The 2D BATTALION, 20TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy in the Cabaruan Hills, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period of 17 January 1945 to 23 January 1945.

On 17 January 1945, the 2d Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, attacked a Jap defensive area in the northern part of the CABARUAN HILLS on the flank of the main avenue of approach to the CENTRAL PLAINS of LUZON, P.I. The enemy force, an Infantry Battalion reinforced with artillery and AT guns, was elaborately dug in on a series of low hills and ridges which were covered with masses of bamboo and heavy scrub. Approaches to these hill positions were open and offered little cover to attacking forces. The enemy's defense was in depth and was highly organized. Not once during the action did the enemy withdraw from a position, but on the contrary, chose to die to the last man. For six days the Battalion pushed the attack against fanatical enemy resistance, making costly gains of from 500 to 1000 yards daily. The enemy could not be shot out of his positions by artillery, air bombardment or heavy mortar fire, but had to be dug out and burned out. Assaulting troops, closing in hand-to-hand combat, came under heavy fire at point-blank ranges. In one attack, the Battalion lost two company commanders, two platoon leaders and one 1st Sergeant killed. By 23 January, this Battalion, despite crippling losses, had secured its assigned objective, killing 879 Japs and destroying or capturing five 75mm guns, three 37mm guns, eighteen machine guns, one tankette, and one scout car in the advance. No enemy prisoners of war were taken. The Battalion suffered 45 dead and 105 wounded. Casualties included four company commanders and two 1st Sergeants. By its heroic action, the Battalion helped clear the way for the rapid advance of American troops through the CENTRAL VALLEY to MANILA. The gallantry, determination and self-sacrificing devotion to duty displayed by every officer and man of the 2d Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, exemplify the highest traditions of the Army of the United States.

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UNIT CITATION

The 2d BATTALION, 63d INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy on LUZON, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, during the period 23 June 1945 to 7 July 1945.

The 2d BATTALION began its advance on MOUNT SANTO DOMINGO, 4200 feet in elevation, guarding the entrance to KIANGAN, last major Japanese defense position and supply base on LUZON. The advance through the rugged and wild MOUNTAIN PROVINCE was made along two parallel and tortuous mountain trails, blasted from the side of rock cliffs and flanked by dense jungle and rain forest. The trails were mined, cratered, and blocked by numerous land-slides and tank-traps. Eight gruelling days of bitter close-in fighting against stubborn resistance brought the 2d BATTALION to within striking distance of the main enemy position. High winds and typhoon rains hampered engineer and pioneer operations and made supply and evacuation by hand-carry extremely difficult. Well-trained enemy infantry in good physical condition and armed with a high percentage of automatic weapons, defended the knife-edged ridges of the positions which were completely tunnelled through and honey-combed with caves. Jungle and vertical cliffs on either flank canalized the attack of the 2d BATTALION. For four days the 2d BATTALION hurled attacks against this position until it was finally taken on 5 July by a savage assault with hand grenades, bayonets and satchel charges. The enemy fought to the death and friendly casualties were high. During the nights of 5-6 and 6-7 July, the enemy attempted to retake the position with fierce counter-attacks which were beaten back. During the period 23 June to 7 July 1945, 345 enemy dead were counted on the front of the 2d BATTALION and two prisoners of war were taken. The defeat was a decisive one and opened the way to the seizure of KIANGAN. Tons of ammunition and large amounts of vehicles, supplies and equipment were captured along the route of advance. The losses of the BATTALION were 19 dead and 42 wounded. Every officer and man displayed the highest kind of fortitude, resourcefulness, and devotion of duty. The distinguished performance of duty by the 2d BATTALION, 63d INFANTRY REGIMENT exemplifies the true spirit of the American Army and reflects great credit on the military service.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR - POSTHUMOUSLY  
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SECTION IV - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION V - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS

**Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant RUSSELL E. WRIGHT, 37008191, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. At Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945, the infantry company of which Sergeant WRIGHT was a member was ordered to take a hill which was a battalion objective. When mortar and rifle fire was placed on a Japanese concentration in a nearby draw, the enemy immediately made an attack on his company. Sergeant WRIGHT, along with four other men, went forward to gain the crest of a hill from which to repulse the attack. During the action Sergeant WRIGHT voluntarily exposed himself to enemy fire many times by assuming a kneeling position in order to spot the enemy and fire upon them before they could get close enough to cause serious danger to his company. Sergeant WRIGHT personally accounted for four Japanese dead who had been throwing grenades and firing a machine gun as they attacked. He then noticed other Japanese gaining high ground on a hill flanking the company to the rear. By quick action he placed rifle fire on the hill and directed 81mm mortar and artillery fire on the opposite slope, inflicting many casualties on the enemy and frustrating their attack. Largely as a result of Sergeant WRIGHT'S soldierly qualities and devotion to duty the battalion objective was secured with a minimum of casualties to his company. Next of kin: Mrs. Russell E. Wright, Wife, c/o Fred Harveys, Barstow, California.

**Section II - Awards of Silver Star**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class FELIX P. LUSK, 35392766, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 June 1945, Private LUSK'S company was setting up an all-around defense. While digging in, the company received heavy rifle fire from a wooded ridge on its left flank. Private LUSK formed a voluntary patrol to scout the area and locate the enemy position. After entering the area, he noticed a small cave and, upon investigation, discovered three of the enemy occupied it. Placing his patrol so as to build a base of fire to cover his approach,

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he crawled forward to annihilate the enemy with grenades. As a result of this action, his company was able to dig in safely. The courage and determination displayed by Private LUSK had a direct bearing on the success of the mission and was a source of inspiration to all the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mrs. Martha Lusk, Wife, Box 164, Princeton, West Virginia.

Private First Class VESTER REEDER, 37712570, Infantry, United States Army. At the Catalangan River in the vicinity of Dibuluan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 July 1945, Private REEDER, first scout of a patrol, was wounded as he reached the bank of the river. Despite his wounds, he continued across the river in face of intense enemy machine gun fire. He was again wounded. Disregarding the pain and seriousness of his wounds, Private REEDER displayed great fortitude in continuing to direct other members of his patrol against the enemy positions which he had reconnoitered. As a result of his direction the patrol was able to force the enemy back and accomplish its mission. Private REEDER'S courage and devotion to duty reflect highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ann G. Reeder, Wife, Route #3, Stockton, Kansas.

Section III - Award of Silver Star (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Staff Sergeant WALTER A. MIRLY, 37076698, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section II, General Orders No. 98, dated 6 June 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for gallantry in action against the enemy is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant WALTER A. MIRLY, 37076698, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 23 June 1945, the company of which Sergeant MIRLY is a member was holding a defensive position. During the night, the enemy counterattacked. Sergeant MIRLY, squad leader, went to a forward position and engaged a Japanese in hand-to-hand combat and killed him. He then noticed one of his men had been wounded and lay in an exposed position. Sergeant MIRLY, unhesitatingly, crawled through intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire to evacuate the wounded man. His gallant act which saved the life of a wounded comrade is deserving of high praise. Home address: Mr. Arthur M. Mirly, Father, New Wells, Missouri.

Section IV - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LEO P. ANDERSON, 35033380, Infantry, United States Army. Near Incab, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 July 1945. Home address: Mr. John E. Anderson, Father, Route #1, Alexandria, Ohio.

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Private First Class ROGER J. BURNS, 32843485, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Thomas Burns, Father, 706 Monteaagle Street, Niagara Falls, New York.

Sergeant DALY J. JACKSON, 34152132, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Camille C. Jackson, Wife, 425 Soraprau Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Private First Class ADOLPH H. LIEBER, 36449395, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 July 1945 to 12 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma Lieber, Mother, 235 East Division Street, Decatur, Illinois.

First Lieutenant CHARLES B. LOCKWOOD, 01320142, Air Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. W. A. Breiner, Mother, 1412 NW 21st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN S. McCAMON, 35032650, Infantry, United States Army. In New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 7 February 1945 to 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sidna McCamon, Wife, 425 Norwich Drive, West Hollywood, California.

Technician Fifth Grade ELMYR F. NELSON, 37030193, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 27 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie B. Nelson, Wife, Alborn, Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM C. NEUMANN, 20603615, Infantry, United States Army. At San Mariano, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 17 July 1945 to 21 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ella Neumann, Mother, 853 North 9th Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM C. WARD, 37076152, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Jesse O. Ward, Father, 3323 Nebraska Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Section V - Amendment of General Orders

So much of Section III, General Orders No. 41, this headquarters, dated 1 April 1945 pertaining to Technician Fourth Grade ALLEN W. LONG, 37057669, Medical Department, as reads: "Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded" is amended to read: "Silver Star is awarded".

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 52, this headquarters, dated 17 April 1945 pertaining to Sergeant FRANK A. CLARK, 36215405, Infantry, as reads: "6 February 1945" is amended to read: "5 February 1945".

So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 17, this headquarters, dated 4 March 1945 pertaining to Sergeant JOHN R. BOZICH, 39327525, Infantry, as reads: "20 January 1945" is amended to read: "18 January 1945".

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So much of Section I, General Orders No. 55, this headquarters, dated 21 April 1945 pertaining to Technical Sergeant EFTON A. KITCHENS, 6257993, Infantry, as reads: "18 January 1945" is amended to read: "17 January 1945".

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 42, this headquarters, dated 2 April 1945 pertaining to Private First Class ROBERT L. COST, 35413790, Cavalry, as reads: "13 January 1945" is amended to read: "12 January 1945."

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17 August 1945

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - PERSONNEL MISSING  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Section I - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Personnel Missing

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9417, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) and Radiogram, Hq XIV Corps, dated 19 July 1945 a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer:

Captain **AMADO S. DIOSANA**, 107140, Infantry, Luzon Guerrilla Army Forces. On 19 June 1945, the Mapandan Squadron, attached to an United States infantry battalion, was ordered to send out a combat patrol to Cordova Hill near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The terrain over which the patrol moved was rugged and covered by dense undergrowth. The enemy situation in this area was relatively obscure. Captain DIOSANA requested permission of the battalion commander to lead the patrol. When half-way to his objective, the patrol made contact with a strong enemy force consisting of three machine guns and an undetermined number of riflemen. Control was extremely difficult because of the denseness of the undergrowth, yet, Captain DIOSANA, through his heroic actions saved many lives and the information he was able to supply our units aided greatly in the later reduction of the enemy stronghold. Next of kin: Mrs. Luisiana Diosana, Wife, Amarawac, Mapandan, Tangasinan Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) and Radiogram, Hq XIV Corps, dated 19 July 1945 a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Second Lieutenant **NATEO CORDOVA**, 05041, Buenavista Regiment, Philippine Army. On 24 June 1945, Lieutenant CORDOVA was ordered to seize and secure a high hill near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Commanding this ground would deprive the enemy of the ground which overlooked an important supply route. The approach to the position was very steep with dense undergrowth making control difficult. When half-way to the objective, Lieutenant CORDOVA'S platoon encountered an enemy position containing three machine guns with rifle protection. The positions were well concealed in the undergrowth. Lieutenant CORDOVA withdrew his platoon from the fire fight as attempts to break the enemy

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line failed because of poor visibility. He then led his platoon in an encircling movement which required cutting of thick underbrush in order to proceed. This maneuver completely escaped detection by the enemy. The platoon attacked the enemy from the rear. Lieutenant CORDOVA'S platoon overran and annihilated the enemy and seized the objective. Home address: Mr. Felomeno Cordova, Father, Bacolod, Occidental, Negros, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Sergeant JUAN R. LOPEZ, 7207, Buenavista Regiment, Philippine Army. On 25 June 1945, Sergeant LOPEZ was leading a combat patrol with the mission of clearing Japanese from high ground surrounding Highway 4 in the vicinity of Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands. His patrol observed a group of Japanese setting up two machine guns to ambush our supply convoy. Knowing that a convoy was due at any moment, Sergeant LOPEZ realized that any delay occasioned by sending and waiting for help to arrive might enable the enemy to successfully accomplish their mission. Despite the Japanese fire superiority, Sergeant LOPEZ at once led his men in an assault against the enemy machine gun positions. The surprise and aggressiveness of the attack completely demoralized the enemy, resulting in the capture of both machine guns and the killing of five Japanese. Home address: Miss Catalina R. Lopez, Sister, San Nicholas, Haganoy, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class JOHN R. DEAN, 39713916, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945, the platoon in which Private DEAN served as a rifleman was assigned the mission of securing a ridge commanding approaches to a road. During an advance up the rocky terrain of the strongly fortified ridge, two men of the attacking platoon were struck by enemy machine gun fire and lay exposed to enemy fire. Extremely heavy machine gun and sniper fire forced the platoon to withdraw in order to maneuver to a more favorable position before renewing the assault. Private DEAN volunteered to go through the enemy fire in an effort to evacuate the wounded men. By crawling forward he reached his wounded comrades. With the assistance of two other men, who had similarly volunteered and gone forward under the enemy fire, he carried the wounded men to safety. Home address: Mr. John Dean, Sr., Father, 67 Fairfax Street, Winona, Minnesota.

Private First Class JAMES A. HENBEST, 37009401, Infantry, United States Army. On 7 July 1945, near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the rifle company of which Private HENBEST is a member was making an assault against a hill occupied by the enemy. As Private HENBEST'S platoon moved up the slope it had to cross a cleared area about a hundred yards in extent. When the platoon advanced into this sector it was met with deadly small arms and machine gun fire. The platoon was forced to pull back to a covered position slightly to the rear. Several casualties were sustained and were unable to withdraw with the platoon. Private HENBEST and two other riflemen returned to the scene and began the evacuation of the wounded, while subjected to sniper and machine gun fire. When the enemy fire grew intense, Private HENBEST crawled to an exposed position from which he could lay fire upon the Japanese. He remained there, pinning the enemy down with his accurate rifle fire until the other two men had completed the evacuation of the wounded. Home address: Mr. Edward Henbest, Father, Route 2, Cassville, Missouri.

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Second Lieutenant CHARLES S. HILLER, 02027351, Infantry, United States Army. On 19 and 20 July 1945, as leader of an assault force comprised of one United States Army infantry platoon and two Philippine Army platoons, Lieutenant HILLER was assigned the mission of securing the village of Banaue, Luzon, Philippine Islands. This village was eighteen kilometers from his company command post and could be reached only by moving over extremely precipitous terrain reaching a height of four thousand and five hundred feet. By aggressive movement and by skillful employment of his troops, Lieutenant HILLER met and dispersed three groups of enemy snipers and also one group of fifty enemy soldiers. He secured the town of Banaue in far less time than had been allotted him for the mission. Home address: Mrs. Osee L. Hiller, Mother, Kahora, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL H. LEE, 37008895, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 June 1945, Technician LEE, a radio operator in an intelligence or reconnaissance platoon, volunteered to accompany a patrol which was sent out to clear remnants of enemy troops from densely wooded high ground surrounding a regimental command post area near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. As the patrol neared a high hill, it was forced to take cover from enemy sniper fire. Technician LEE, together with the patrol leader and assistant patrol leader, crawled forward to scout the situation. When they were about half way up the hill, they were subjected to heavy automatic weapons fire from several well-concealed pill boxes. Technician LEE saw his patrol leader hit by enemy fire and fall in a completely exposed position. He and the assistant patrol leader continued forward to the aid of the wounded man. A Japanese bullet smashed the rifle from the assistant patrol leader's hands, rendering it useless. With only one weapon between the two men, they crawled determinedly forward, reached the stricken man and found him to be dead. After noting the location of the enemy pill boxes, they crawled back to the remainder of the patrol. The assistant patrol leader assumed command and, with the aid of Technician LEE, was able to man over the patrol out of the danger area without further casualties. Technician LEE gave accurate information regarding the enemy positions, making it possible to accomplish their destruction on the following day. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Lee, Wife, 837 West 71st St Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri.

Private First Class JESSIE C. MAGNUSSON, 34084632, Infantry, United States Army. On 16 July 1945, near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private MAGNUSSON'S squad was pinned down by enemy machine gun and sniper fire. One man was seriously wounded. Private MAGNUSSON, an automatic rifleman, exposing himself to the enemy fire, crawled forward in order to place a more accurate volume of concentrated fire upon the enemy. By so doing, other members of his squad were able to crawl forward and evacuate the wounded man to a place of safety. Private MAGNUSSON'S initiative and loyalty to his comrades were directly responsible for saving the life of the wounded man. Home address: Mrs. Frances J. Magnusson, Mother, General Delivery, Cloudland, Georgia.

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Private First Class CHARLES RAY, 39864354, Infantry, United States Army. On 12 July 1945, near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, communication lines from a company command post to an outpost were broken. Private RAY, under cover of darkness, volunteered to locate and repair the broken line. Later in the night, the communication line was broken again by artillery fire. Without regard for his personal safety and under intermittent sniper fire, Private RAY volunteered to repair the communication line again. Because of Private RAY'S courage and loyalty to duty, communication was maintained throughout the night. Home address: Mrs. Mary Esther Ray, Mother, 565 East 2d Avenue, Mesa, Arizona.

Sergeant GEORGE C. REGELE, 35390617, Infantry, United States Army. On 15 July 1945, near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the infantry company in which Sergeant REGELE is an assistant squad leader received frontal fire from a hidden enemy machine gun seriously wounding one man. As no medical aid men were immediately available, Sergeant REGELE, under heavy concentrated enemy machine gun fire, crawled forward to the wounded man and succeeded in carrying him to a defiladed position where medical attention could be rendered. Sergeant REGELE'S loyalty to his men and coolness under fire were directly responsible for the saving of the life of one of his men and inspired all the men of his squad. Home address: Mrs. Catherine D. Regele, Mother, 139 South Park Street, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Private First Class ROBERT M. SALYER, 34142324, Infantry, United States Army. On 13 July 1945, near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands, radio communication failed at a time when Private SALYER'S infantry company was stopped from taking its objective by fire from dug-in enemy positions. Although subjected to constant sniper fire, Private SALYER volunteered to lay wire for a distance of three hundred yards to the company commander's position. With communication re-established, artillery fire was placed on the enemy positions, enabling the company to take its objective. Private SALYER'S devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men in his company. Home address: Mrs. Laura Salyer, Mother, 105 Millpond Street, Kingsport, Tennessee.

Staff Sergeant WOODROW W. SMITH, 33048716, Infantry, United States Army. On 3 July 1945, near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Sergeant SMITH, a rifle squad leader, was given the mission of providing right flank protection for his platoon while it assaulted a strongly fortified ridge. In order to keep moving parallel with the platoon, Sergeant SMITH was forced to lead his squad over extremely rough terrain. The lead scout in the squad reported that they were approaching Japanese fortified positions. Sergeant SMITH went forward to observe and immediately saw that there was a Japanese ambush covering the area into which the platoon would be moving. He sent a runner to inform the platoon of the danger and then set about destroying the ambush. Deploying his men in a semi-circle about the enemy emplacement, he gradually moved them up within grenade range of the position. He then gave the order to commence firing. The Japanese were taken completely by surprise and were unable to return organized fire. Sergeant SMITH threw a grenade into a machine gun nest, killing one of the enemy crew and wounding two others. The remaining Japanese fled. Home address: Mrs. Estie Smith, Mother, RFD #2, Linville, Virginia.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade MILFORD J. BESHEARS, 36066695, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section I, General Orders No. 21, dated 10 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fifth Grade MILFORD J. BESHEARS, 36066695, (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 July 1945 to 12 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Coena Beshears, Wife, 917 Winstanley Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel GEORGE W. HULL, 0415157, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 40, dated 29 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel, GEORGE W. HULL, 0415157, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the Payawan Sector, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Ben L. Hull, Father, Route #2, Box 396, Grants Pass, Oregon.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class ROBERT H. MC BRIDE, 37029626, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 16, Section III, General Orders No. 33, dated 22 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class ROBERT H. MC BRIDE, 37029626, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. On 29 June 1945 an infantry battalion was attacking strong enemy positions near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the advance several casualties were sustained by one of the rifle companies from cross-fire from two enemy machine guns and several snipers. Private MC BRIDE led his litter squad forward over difficult terrain and through the enemy sniper fire to bring forward extra litters and blood plasma. While riflemen of the company delivered security fire and kept the enemy occupied, Private MC BRIDE crawled forward to reach and administer first aid to a wounded man who was in an exposed position. He then succeeded in dragging the wounded man to a safe place where he gave him blood plasma. Private MC BRIDE'S heroic action saved the life of his comrade and reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Nina McBride, Wife, Crystal, North Dakota.

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By citation of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE W. MC MILLAN, 6287815, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 21, dated 10 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE W. MC MILLAN, 6287815, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 July 1945 to 12 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pearl McMillan, Mother, Station A - Box 367, Bakersfield, California.

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SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bill 43 WD 1916) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant ROGER S. FOUNTAIN, 37027688, Infantry, United States Army. On Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, Sergeant FOUNTAIN'S infantry platoon was subjected to the concentrated drives of a vastly superior Japanese force. Sergeant FOUNTAIN crawled back and forth over the line of defense, in full sight of the enemy, encouraging his men to fight on. At one time, while crossing an open gap in the perimeter, he spotted three Japanese attempting to infiltrate our lines. Instantly, he charged these enemy infantrymen, with rifle and bayonet, slitting one's throat and causing the others to flee. On several occasions he crawled through enemy lines to bring back ammunition which had been cached prior to the engagement. By his initiative and quick thinking, Sergeant FOUNTAIN not only saved many lives, but was of material aid in the successful defense of the platoon's position. Home address: Mrs. Clare Fountain, Mother, Cresbord, South Dakota.

First Lieutenant JAMES S. HEAD, 01581940, Infantry, United States Army. On 22 June 1945, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, a convoy moving along a route to advanced units was ambushed. The vehicle which Lieutenant HEAD was driving was hit several times, causing one tire to blow out, putting several holes in the engine and shattering the windshield. Though partially blinded by glass from the windshield, Lieutenant HEAD managed to gain control of the car, preventing its overturning. When the vehicle stopped, still in the line of fire, occupants of the vehicle took cover in a roadside ditch. Lieutenant HEAD noticed that one of his men was still in the vehicle and returned immediately to give assistance. Then, loading his men, he crawled to safety and rejoined the convoy which had halted two hundred yards past the area. Upon arriving at an advanced command post, Lieutenant HEAD saw to it that his men were cared for. The courage and concern for his men displayed by Lieutenant HEAD reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Dr. V. O. Head, Father, Carlyle, Illinois.

Private First Class LEO A. HUPPE, 31377183, Infantry, United States Army. On 16 July 1945, near Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private HUPPE'S company was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire from concealed positions. Private HUPPE immediately took it upon himself to locate these positions. Without regard for his personal safety, he purposely exposed himself so as to draw their fire. After pin-pointing the location of the fire, he made a lone attack on an enemy machine gun nest with hand grenades and fixed bayonet, killing three of the

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crow. Continuing with his aggressive scouting, Private HUPPE cleaned out isolated spider holes with rifle fire and hand grenades. His quick and skillful action not only contributed to the uninterrupted progress of his company, but also saved many lives. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn Nettie Huppe, Wife, 249 Portland Street, Rochester, New Hampshire.

Second Lieutenant FRANK M. MESOJEDEC, 02030203, Infantry, United States Army. On Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, Lieutenant MESOJEDEC'S platoon, greatly thinned out over a widely-extended perimeter, was attacked by a superior enemy force. Although wounded during the early stages of the engagement, Lieutenant MESOJEDEC continued to pass along the lines encouraging his men. He was unable to get mortar fire or reinforcements. His wound throbbing incessantly and causing him considerable pain, Lieutenant MESOJEDEC, nevertheless, carried on, leading his men in a gallant attempt to hold their ground against a fanatical and driving enemy. Not until the attack had ceased at break of day and reinforcements and medical supplies were brought in, did Lieutenant MESOJEDEC allow himself to be evacuated. His leadership was inspirational and earned him the admiration of his men. Home address: Mr. Joseph Mesojedec, Father, Box 32, McKinley, Minnesota.

Private First Class WILBUR L. RARDIN, 15305929, Medical Department, United States Army. On 22 June 1945, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, a convoy hauling ammunition, water and rations to front line troops was ambushed by a platoon of Japanese, armed with four machine guns and knee mortars. The terrain was extremely rough, the road was narrow and winding, and dense bamboo undergrowth made visibility very difficult. The Japanese, firing from this cover, succeeded in knocking out three vehicles and wounding ten men. Private RARDIN, an ambulance driver in the convoy, was wounded at this time but managed to maneuver his vehicle out of the ambush area to safety. Several of the more seriously wounded men were unable to extricate themselves from the danger area. Although he was wounded, Private RARDIN immediately returned to administer first aid to the others. He assisted in the difficult task of moving them to his ambulance and then evacuated them to a hospital in a rear area. Home address: Mr. Charles S. Rardin, Father, I-12, California, Kentucky.

Private First Class KELETH SOLOMON, 39911077, Medical Department, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 June 1945, a convoy hauling ammunition, water and rations to front line troops was ambushed by a platoon of Japanese armed with machine guns and knee mortars. The terrain was extremely rough and a narrow road winding through dense bamboo undergrowth made visibility very difficult. From this cover the Japanese barrage succeeded in knocking out three vehicles and wounding ten men. The ambulance of which Private SOLOMON was assistant driver was maneuvered out of the ambush area to safety. Then, despite the intensity of the enemy fire, Private SOLOMON returned to the danger zone, administered first aid to several seriously wounded men and assisted in evacuating them over the difficult terrain to the ambulance. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie Solomon, Wife, 520 West 2d Street, North Salt Lake City, Utah.



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Private First Class DON J. STEVENS, 37085252, Infantry, United States Army. In a very rapid advance on the town of Liangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 July 1945, an attack was spearheaded by an infantry platoon in which Private STEVENS was a messenger. This platoon was held up by an enemy road block supported by machine guns and direct artillery fire. In engaging the enemy maintaining the road block, the point of the formation was pinned down by heavy enemy fire and two severely wounded men fell in the fire lanes of the Japanese guns. Noting the precarious position of his wounded comrades and that no medical aid men were immediately available, Private STEVENS boldly rushed to their assistance. Taking the most seriously wounded, a man larger than himself, on his back and leading the other wounded man, he made a dash through the enemy fire to a place of safety. Here, with the help of the company aid man, he administered first aid to the wounded. Through his gallant actions, these men were saved from almost certain death. Home address: Mrs. Bernice G. Stevens, Mother, Acme, Wyoming.

Technician Fifth Grade DAVID W. WIDMER, 39921708, Medical Department, United States Army. On Mount Liangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, Technician WIDMER, an aid man, was with his platoon when the enemy staged a counter-attack which lasted for two hours. After the enemy had been successfully repulsed, it was discovered that the seven men wounded in this action had been given first aid by Technician WIDMER while the battle was still in full progress. The platoon was thinned out over an extended perimeter and casualties were dispersed over a wide area. It was necessary for Technician WIDMER to traverse the defense line, forsaking all cover, so as to administer life-saving aid to his comrades. Technician WIDMER'S gallantry and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Widmer, Sister, Geneva, Idaho.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant DAVID L. GINSBERG, 32095199, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 19 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rebecca Gold Ginsberg, Mother, 1479 East 32d Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Staff Sergeant ELLER W. HALL, 37009307, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 10 January 1945 to 14 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Doris Hall, Wife, RFD, Greenfield, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade PAULINE P. JENNINGS, 37037321, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie E. Jennings, Wife, Marion, South Dakota.

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Technician Fourth Grade CURTIS D. KELLEY, 38022329, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lela W. Kelley, Wife, 110 South Seminole, Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN KOTZIAN, 36117137, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 12 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank Kotzian, Father, Route #3, Shelby, Michigan.

Chaplain (Captain) CHRISTOPHER J. LEAHY, 0440014, Corps of Chaplains, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 23 April 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph D. Leahy, Brother, 164 Burgard, Buffalo, New York.

First Sergeant WILLIAM G. LORD, 34079179, Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 22 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Belle Lord, Mother, Box 237 Pleasant Hill, Louisiana.

Sergeant CHESTER J. MAUZY, 37057176, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Chester W. Mauzy, Father, 8763 Burton Avenue, Overland, Missouri.

Sergeant CHESTER H. MAYNARD, JR, 31056907, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olive Maynard, Wife, Quaker highway, Slatersville, Rhode Island.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH W. PHILLIPS, 37019557, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Phillips, Mother, 1502 2d Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Second Lieutenant RALPH C. REICHERT, 02024249, Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 July 1945 to 11 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Adolph Reichert, Father, Hamilton, North Dakota.

Master Sergeant FRANCIS T. ROCHE, 20317227, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 April 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen E. Roche, Wife, Main Street, Trucksville, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL L. SCHWAFEL, 39160878, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 30 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy E. Schwafel, Wife, Thayer, Missouri.

Private First Class LAWRENCE M. SHAFFER, 37580131, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maybelle Shaffer, Mother, Box 129, Minot, North Dakota.

Technician Fourth Grade DEWEY STINSON, JR, 37019566, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 May 1945 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth L. Stinson, Wife, 417 Olmstead Street, Winona, Minnesota.

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Chief Warrant Officer JOSEPH W. TIBBETTS, W2106419, United States Army.  
On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address:  
Mrs. Rose Tibbetts, Wife, 5430 France Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN C. ARMENT, 35122067, Field Artillery, United States Army. In the vicinity of Haliap, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1945 to 21 July 1945, Technician ARMENT was radio operator for a forward observer party which proceeded through insecure mountainous terrain to contact isolated Filipino forces. For five days while under continuous sniper and machine gun fire, Technician ARMENT maintained radio communication for the forward observer enabling him to conduct accurate artillery fire upon the enemy, knocking out enemy machine guns and pillboxes and killing numerous Jap soldiers. By utilizing the radio communications, airmen were able to drop rations and ammunition to the Filipino forces. During the night of the fifth day, an organized attack by the enemy against the perimeter in which Technician ARMENT and party were bivouaced for the night succeeded in penetrating the position, knocking out one machine gun and killing two Filipino machine gunners. This attack forced the Filipino troops to withdraw to a more tenable position. Technician ARMENT kept the radio with the party by abandoning his personal equipment. The party proceeded through mountainous terrain to safety. Home address: Mrs. Monna Ruth Arment, Wife, 522 Smith Street, Dayton, Ohio.

Private First Class RICHARD C. BUTLER, 37075789, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 June 1945 near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private BUTLER, a second gunner in an anti-tank platoon, was assigned a sector of a battalion perimeter to guard. At about 2200 hours, the enemy made a strong attack, supported by machine gun and rifle fire, upon the battalion area near the anti-tank gun position occupied by Private BUTLER. It was soon discovered that the 37mm anti-tank gun was masked because of the defilated position held by the enemy, and, upon orders from his squad leader, Private BUTLER removed the gun from the dug in emplacement and displaced it forward to higher ground. From the new position Private BUTLER proceeded to lay accurate fire upon the enemy. Although one man had been wounded, he continued to remain with the gun and place heavy fire on the enemy. After the attack had been repulsed, Private BUTLER helped the wounded man to an aid station for medical treatment. Private BUTLER'S courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the withdrawal of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Butler, Mother, 1475 15th Avenue, San Francisco, California.

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Second Lieutenant JOHN R. FITZGIBBON, 0530662, Field Artillery, United States Army. In the vicinity of Haliap, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1945 to 21 July 1945, Lieutenant FITZGIBBON and his party, accompanied by five men from an infantry regiment, proceeded through insecure mountainous terrain to reach Filipino forces isolated from all contact with friendly troops except by radio. For five days while under continuous sniper and machine gun fire, Lieutenant FITZGIBBON conducted artillery fire which knocked out enemy machine guns and pillboxes and killed numerous Japanese. Utilizing the artillery radio communication, Lieutenant FITZGIBBON made possible the supply by air of rations and ammunition to the Filipino troops and his party. During the night of the fifth day, an organized attack by the enemy against the perimeter in which Lieutenant FITZGIBBON and his party were bivouaced for the night succeeded in penetrating the position, knocking out one machine gun and killing two Filipino machine gunners. This attack forced the troops to withdraw to more tenable positions. Lieutenant FITZGIBBON kept his party intact and on the following morning led them through mountainous terrain to safety. Home address: Mrs. Janice E. Fitzgibbon, Wife, Route #2, Winton, Minnesota.

Private First Class ROBERT F. FLEMING, 34088742, Infantry, United States Army. On 25 June 1945 near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private FLEMING, a battalion anti-tank platoon gunner, volunteered to man a .30 caliber machine gun in defense of a sector of a battalion perimeter. At about 0200 hours, heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire began falling upon the battalion area from outside the perimeter. Private FLEMING made certain that his machine gun was in readiness and held fire until he was sure of more accurate indications of the exact location of the enemy. Shortly thereafter, he heard an enemy soldier cry "Banzai" in the sector of the perimeter adjacent to his position. He quickly displaced the machine gun to a point from which accurate fire could be brought to bear on the enemy attack on the battalion 81mm mortar positions. Although fired upon, he repeatedly returned accurate fire until the enemy attack was repulsed. Private FLEMING killed five of the attacking troops and forced the remainder to withdraw. Home address: Mrs. Maude Fleming, Mother, 610 Shorter Avenue, Rome, Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade ALBIN J. HANSON, 37082076, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, United States Army. In the vicinity of Haliap, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1945 to 21 July 1945, Technician HANSON was a radio operator for a forward observer party which advanced through insecure mountainous terrain to contact Filipino forces who were isolated from all contact, except radio, with friendly American and Filipino troops. For five days while under continuous sniper and machine gun fire, Technician HANSON maintained radio communication for the forward observer enabling him to conduct accurate artillery fire upon the enemy which knocked out enemy machine guns and pillboxes and killed numerous Japanese. By utilizing the radio communications, rations and ammunition were supplied to the Filipino troops by air. During the night of the fifth day an organized attack by the enemy forces against the perimeter in which Technician HANSON and party were bivouaced for the night succeeded in penetrating the position, knocking out one machine gun and killing two Filipino machine gunners. This attack forced the Filipino troops to withdraw to a more tenable position. Technician HANSON kept the radio with the party by abandoning his personal equipment. The party then proceeded through mountainous terrain to safety. Home address: Mrs. Ingeburg Hanson, Mother, Pekon, North Dakota.

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Private First Class FRED S. LAMBERT, 35390233, Infantry, United States Army. On Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, Private LAMBERT'S rifle platoon was attacked by a superior number of Japanese. Private LAMBERT stood up in the face of the enemy's attack and threw several grenades in the midst of the advancing enemy; he then picked up his rifle and charged the oncoming Japanese enemy. When his rifle was shot from his hand, he returned for another and continued the attack. Private LAMBERT'S heroic actions accounted for two of the enemy dead and many of their casualties. Home address: Mrs. Laura Lambert, Mother, Wymer, West Virginia.

Private First Class CLINTON PORTERFIELD, 36547106, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 June 1945 near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private PORTERFIELD, a battalion anti-tank gunner, was assigned a sector of a battalion perimeter to guard. At about 2200 hours, the enemy, supported by machine gun and artillery fire, made a strong attack on the perimeter near his anti-tank gun position. It was soon discovered that Private PORTERFIELD'S 37mm anti-tank gun was masked because of the defiladed position held by the enemy. Upon orders from his squad leader, Private PORTERFIELD removed the gun from the dug-in emplacement to higher ground. From the new position he proceeded to lay accurate fire upon the enemy. Although he had been wounded, Private PORTERFIELD remained with his gun and continued firing. It was only after the enemy had been repulsed that Private PORTERFIELD permitted himself to be helped to an aid station. Private PORTERFIELD'S courage and devotion to duty were largely responsible for the withdrawal of the enemy. Home address: Mrs. Delilah Freed, Mother, 1027 N. 6th Street, Saginaw, Michigan.

Private First Class CECILLO QUINTANA, 38352592, Infantry, United States Army. On 30 July 1945, a fanatical enemy force made an attack against Private QUINTANA'S company which was dug in on commanding ground on Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Private QUINTANA, yelling at the attackers in Spanish, caused them to come forward, believing him to be one of their men. He killed three of the enemy by this ruse before they realized their mistake. After his sector had been cleared of the enemy, Private QUINTANA crawled to another position and continued to fight until the attack was repulsed. He then assisted with the administration of first aid and evacuation of the wounded. Home address: Mrs. Senobia A. Valencia, Mother, 1002 Taft, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Private First Class JAMES L. WOOD, 37065686, Infantry, United States Army. On 25 June 1945 near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private WOOD, an anti-tank platoon cannoneer, volunteered to man a .30 caliber machine gun in defense of a sector of his battalion perimeter. At about 2200 hours, heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire began to fall upon the battalion area. Private WOOD made certain that his machine gun was in readiness and held fire until he was sure of more indications of the exact enemy location. Shortly thereafter, he heard a soldier cry "Banzai" in the sector of the perimeter adjacent to his position. He quickly displaced the machine gun to a point from which accurate fire could be placed on the enemy attack and opened fire. Although fired upon, he repeatedly returned accurate fire until the enemy attack was repulsed. Private WOOD killed five of the attacking troops and forced the remainder to withdraw. Home address: Mr. William W. Wood, Brother, Box 371, Turlock, California.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant ALEXANDER M. COOPER, 6860242, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 131, dated 8 July 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant ALEXANDER M. COOPER, 6860242, Field Artillery, United States Army. In the vicinity of Haliap, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1945 to 21 July 1945, Sergeant COOPER accompanied a forward observer, two radio operators and five enlisted men through insecure mountainous terrain to contact and establish communications for artillery support with Filipino forces who were isolated, except by radio, from friendly troops. For five days while under continuous sniper and machine gun fire, Sergeant COOPER helped conduct artillery fire which knocked out enemy machine guns and pillboxes and killed numerous Japanese troops. By utilization of the artillery radio communications, air supply parties were able to drop rations and ammunition to the Filipino troops and the observer party. Sergeant COOPER'S organization of pick-up parties for the air drops contributed materially to the success of the mission. During the night of the fifth day, an organized attack by the enemy against the perimeter where Sergeant COOPER and party were bivouaced for the night, succeeded in penetrating the position, knocking out one machine gun and killing two Filipino machine gunners. This attack forced the Filipino troops to withdraw to a more tenable position. Sergeant COOPER assisted in keeping the forward observer party together and on the following morning helped guide the party over mountainous terrain to safety. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, Mother, Route #2, Little Falls, Minnesota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant CLARENCE SPEARMAN, 38519007, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 5, Section IV, General Orders No. 78, dated 10 May 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant CLARENCE SPEARMAN, 38519007, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 June 1945, the platoon in which Sergeant SPEARMAN served as a squad leader had been assigned the mission of securing a ridge commanding the road near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the advance up the strongly fortified ridge, two of his men were struck by enemy machine gun fire and fell exposed to further enemy fire. The heavy machine gun and sniper fire forced the platoon to maneuver to a more favorable position before renewing the assault. Sergeant SPEARMAN volunteered to go back in the absence of a medical aid man, in an effort to carry the wounded men to safety. Running low through the intense enemy fire, he succes-

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fully reached the wounded, and, with the assistance of two other volunteers, carried the wounded out of danger. His unselfish conduct in risking his life to save that of his fellow soldiers merits high praise. Home address: Mrs. Oma Spearman, Mother, Box 419, Rodessa, Louisiana.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HURDIS:

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Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JAMES L. ARCHER, 37038147, Infantry, United States Army. While occupying defensive positions on Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, the infantry company of which Sergeant ARCHER is a member was subjected to a suicidal attack by a strong Japanese force. During the height of the action, Sergeant ARCHER, a platoon guide, left the comparative safety of his foxhole in order to gain a more advantageous position from which to counter the Japanese attack with rifle fire. As he was firing on the enemy, an enemy grenade exploded nearby. A fragment of the grenade struck him, fracturing his jaw and knocking out his teeth. Disregarding the severe wound, Sergeant ARCHER continued to fire on the enemy until the last Japanese had been killed. He then refused first aid treatment until all the other casualties had been taken care of. Sergeant ARCHER'S fortified and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Josephine A. Archer, Mother, Cherokee, Iowa.

Private First Class ALBERT L. BARNES, 6958133, Infantry, United States Army. The enemy made a sweeping attack on our defensive positions on Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945. As the Japanese moved forward and were almost upon our troops, Private BARNES stood up in his foxhole and emptied his rifle into their midst. Then picking up an automatic rifle, he made a wild charge on the enemy, spraying them with devastating fire. Panic-stricken by the fury of his charge, the enemy bolted, leaving behind seven dead and many casualties. Private BARNES' gallant action was directly responsible for repelling the attacking Japanese in his sector and merits high praise. Home address: Mrs. E. A. Barnes, Mother, Beloit, Iowa.

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES B. BONHAM, 023107, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 7 August 1945 to 15 August 1945, Colonel BONHAM, then commanding an infantry regiment fighting in the Mountain Province of Northern Luzon, took personal command of a task force, consisting of one United States Army Infantry Battalion and two Philippine Army Infantry Battalions, operating near Hapao, located high in a wild, mountainous and jungle-covered area. The enemy, strongly entrenched regular infantry, well-armed and in good physical condition, were bitterly defending a long, vertical-sided, razor-back ridge overlooking the barrio of Hapao, and commanding the mountain trail

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leading south to Hungduan. Colonel BONHAM personally accompanied several patrols sent out to determine the enemy strength and dispositions. The enemy was aggressive and repeatedly attacked the friendly supply line which wound for eight miles over mountains through ravines and across wide and swift streams to the nearest road-head. Supply and evacuation were accomplished by laborious hand-carry. Our troops, fighting along precipitous knife-ridges, suffered from lack of water which could not be carried to positions in adequate quantities. Despite these handicaps, Colonel BONHAM'S task force seized key positions commanding the Hapao area and held them despite repeated, heavy enemy counter-attacks until 15 August 1945 when offensive operations ceased. Colonel BONHAM'S personal leadership, coolness under fire, determination and resourcefulness were an inspiring example to his officers and men. His devotion to duty and outstanding performance in combat reflect great credit on the military service. Home address: Mrs. Margaret, C. Bonham, Wife, 100 West Buffalo Street, Ithica, New York.

Captain LORIN D. DAWSON, 0471990, Medical Corps, United States Army. Near Kiangnan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, Captain DAWSON established a forward aid station on a precipitous slope of an enemy-held ridge. After taking the hill, our troops received a large-scale counterattack in the course of which seven Filipino soldiers were killed and twenty-three wounded. Eight American soldiers also were wounded. Captain DAWSON immediately organized his litter teams and proceeded over a tortuous trail which had not yet been traversed by security patrols. Upon reaching the summit of the hill, he worked with feverish haste in caring for the wounded and directing their evacuation. All the while he was oblivious of the fire that continually raked their position. His courage and skill saved the lives of all the wounded except one man who had a grenade fragment imbedded in the brain. Captain DAWSON'S gallant devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Margaret H. Dawson, Wife, 3702 Randolph Street, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant JOHN A. FANN, 34498512, Infantry, United States Army. While defending high ground on Mount Kiangnan, Luzon, Philippine Islands against an enemy suicidal attack launched with great ferocity on 30 July 1945, Filipino troops were driven from their positions by the force of the attack and moved up alongside Sergeant FANN'S squad. Realizing the danger that existed because of the broken perimeter defense, Sergeant FANN rallied the Filipinos and led them back to their positions. He then, moving from one group to another, encouraged them to keep firing upon the enemy. After the Filipinos were again securely established in their former positions, he returned to his own squad which had suffered several casualties during the break through. He continued to fight, meeting the enemy in hand-to-hand combat. Sergeant FANN, in addition to uniting and stabilizing the defense against the attack, accounted for four enemy dead. Sergeant FANN'S inspirational leadership and courage resulted in holding an important defensive position and reduced casualties during the counterattack to a minimum. Home address: Mrs. John A. Fann, Wife, 108 West Vermont Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant JOE ALEXANDER, 7003250, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith Marie Alexander, Wife, 15 Lloyd Street, Rome, Georgia.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM J. BARNHARD, 02037032, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bernice Nadine Barnhard, Wife, 161 West 86 Street, New York 24, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. CHIONO, 39857549, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 7 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. James Chiono, Mother, Box 403, Ajo, Arizona.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade CLEATUS O. CRABB, W2107078, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bessie P. Crabb, Mother, RFD #1, Foss, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade EUGENE L. ENSOR, 33548433, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 7 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Ensor, Wife, RFD #7, Westminster, Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPHUS F. FREEMAN, 37038116, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 August 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace E. Freeman, Mother, Weeping Water, Nebraska.

Captain DONALD F. FRY, 01000564, Adjutant General Department, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 September 1944 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine H. Fry, Wife, 630 Ontario Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Captain ARTHUR J. GEREND, 01289898, Infantry, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 October 1944 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Devota Gerend, Wife, 630 Niagara Avenue, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Technician Third Grade PERLUM GROOTERS, 37020117, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Grooters, Mother, RFD #2, Preston, Minnesota.

First Sergeant CHARLES G. GUME, JR., 37057814, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles F. Gume, Father, 2126 Telegraph Road, Lemay, Missouri.

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Staff Sergeant HAROLD L. HALVORSEN, 37019355, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 22 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora A. Halvorsen, Mother, 2935 Alabama Avenue, St. Louis Park, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Major HENRY D. HAZELTON, 01284868, General Staff Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Innes G. Hazelton, Mother, 977 Lincoln Street, Elmira, New York.

Technical Sergeant BERNARD M. HIGGINS, 37057952, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virginia L. Higgins, Wife, 3026--A Utah Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class ALFRED M. HOLSTEN, 37023847, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 August 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Holsten, Mother, Railroad Street, Mobridge, South Dakota.

Lieutenant Colonel DAVID D. HULSEY, 024411, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 November 1944 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eula D. Hulsey, Mother, 359 North Church Street, Tupelo, Mississippi.

Sergeant ALBERT T. HUTCHINSON, 37065940, Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Hutchinson, Mother, Route #1, Swifton, Arkansas.

Captain CHARLES R. KEEFE, 0411175, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Keefe, Mother, 1204 First Avenue North, Fargo, North Dakota.

Major ALBERT L. LEMEN, 0391248, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 March 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Audrey M. Lemen, Wife, 626 West Pleasant Street, Freeport, Illinois.

Second Lieutenant JOE P. MARTINEZ, 02027410, Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Teresa E. Martinez, Wife, 641 Elder Court, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private First Class JACOB B. RHODES, 37057495, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 10 June 1945 to 21 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cear Ann Rhodes, Mother, Perryville, Missouri.

First Lieutenant GERALD R. SEBREE, 01308278, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 21 July 1945 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred M. Sebree, Wife, Gypsum, Kansas.

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Private First Class GROVER L. SNIDER, 37057585, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 July 1945. Home address: Mr. George P. Snider, Father, Delta, Missouri.

Private First Class CLYDE C. STANLEY, 37011163, Infantry, United States Army. In the Barat area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Stanley, Wife, 100 S. 17th Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

First Sergeant VERN C. THRELKELD, 36201513, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Betty P. Threlkeld, Wife, Alburnett, Iowa.

Lieutenant Colonel MELVAN J. WELSH, 0373729, Finance Department, United States Army. On New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 April 1944 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillian M. Welsh, Wife, 6048 Milne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Major JOHN C. WHICHER, 0310971, General Staff Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary McRae Whicher, Wife, 25 Pleasant Street, Concord, New Hampshire.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant WILLIAM V. CARROLL, JR., 01643716, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section IV, General Orders No. 78, dated 10 May 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant WILLIAM V. CARROLL, JR., 01643716, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 August 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mr. William V. Carroll, Father, 267 Pacific Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain JOHN H. FERGUSON, 01291092, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section II, General Orders No. 12, dated 17 February 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain JOHN H. FERGUSON, 01291092, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 7 June 1945 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olive S. Ferguson, Wife, 169 East Bissell Avenue, Oil City, Pennsylvania.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant WILLIAM S. MOORE, 37042410, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 19, Section I, General Orders No. 23, dated 20 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant WILLIAM S. MOORE, 37042410, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 June 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Pike Moore, Father, 4114 University, Des Moines, Iowa.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Colonel GEORGE M. WILLIAMSON, JR., 012220, by the Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343, as published in General Orders No. 13, Eighth Army, 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Colonel GEORGE M. WILLIAMSON, JR., 012220, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, from 1 June 1945 to 14 July 1945, on Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home address: Mrs. Helen H. Williamson, Wife, 141 Ten Eyck Street, Watertown, New York.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HURDIS:

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Section I - Awards of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Full 43 WD 1913) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant MALCOLM H. DAVIS, 39341404, Infantry, United States Army. Sergeant DAVIS was an assistant squad leader of a leading platoon whose mission was to secure and hold a battalion objective near Kucab, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 July 1945. As the platoon advanced up the precipitous slopes of a heavily defended enemy held hill, the leading squad was suddenly pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire. One man was critically wounded by the enemy fire. The only route for the wounded man's evacuation was across an opening through thick brush which was directly in the enemy's field of fire. Realizing that the wounded man could be carried to safety only if the enemy fire were countered in this area, Sergeant DAVIS ran back to his squad, seized an automatic rifle and dashed back to the clearing where he stood up and pinned down the enemy with a withering volume of automatic rifle fire. This intrepid action made it possible to evacuate the wounded man without further casualties. He continued to lay down a heavy curtain of fire under which his leading squad was able to maneuver forward toward the enemy positions without loss to themselves. From this tactically advantageous position which the squad had secured, Sergeant DAVIS vocally directed the squad forward through a protected route under his continuing automatic rifle fire which kept the enemy pinned down and their attention diverted. The squad then successfully assaulted the enemy positions. Just before the last enemy emplacement was taken, Sergeant DAVIS was killed by enemy fire. The gallant conduct of Sergeant DAVIS was directly responsible for the successful attack on the battalion objective. His unwavering courage and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy T. Davis, Wife, 716 F Street, Springfield, Oregon.

Private First Class REINHOLDT T. LOFLIN, 37774361, Infantry, United States Army. When two men of an assaulting platoon were wounded by enemy machine gun fire during an attack on a heavily fortified hill position near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945, Private LOFLIN, an automatic rifleman, volunteered to attempt the rescue of the wounded men. Crossing open terrain swept by enemy machine gun and sniper fire, he reached his wounded comrades. While in the act of

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evacuating the wounded men to safety, he was killed by enemy sniper fire. His heroic effort to save his fellow soldiers, when no medical aid men were available to assist, inspired others to follow him in successfully evacuating the wounded. Private HOFMANN'S high devotion to his fellow soldiers and his inspirational courage exemplify the finest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Lydia Hofmann, Mother, Route 2, Medina, North Dakota.

Section II - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated - awarded, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant BYRON B. BOOSE, 35124217, Infantry, United States Army. On Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the night of 30 July 1945, the enemy staged a counterattack in force, making the main effort toward positions occupied by Sergeant BOOSE'S squad. Three casualties were suffered from the enemy's first charge. Sergeant BOOSE emptied his M-1 rifle into the charging enemy. He then seized the rifle of a wounded comrade and continued firing, killing several of the enemy by his accurate fire. After his rifle had once again been emptied, one of the enemy made a rush toward Sergeant BOOSE. In hand-to-hand combat, he killed the Japanese with a blow from the stock of his rifle. His courageous and inspiring action reflects highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lester Boose, Mother, 81 South Ardmore Street, Dayton, Ohio.

Private First Class LEOPOLDO J. CEBALLOS, 39285043, Infantry, United States Army. At the Catalangan River, vicinity of Dibuluan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 July 1945, Private CEBALLOS, rifleman, saw the first scout of his patrol wounded while crossing the river. The patrol leader tried several times to advance his patrol across the swift river, which was under enemy machine gun and rifle fire, so that the wounded man could be given first aid and evacuated to the rear. Private CEBALLOS, with disregard for his own safety, removed his shoes and riflebelt, ran across open terrain to the river, dove in, swam across the river and successfully reached the wounded man. Private CEBALLOS assisted in rendering first aid and returning the man to a rear area. Home address: Mrs. Lena Bracamonte, Sister, 14500 Chamberlain, San Fernando, California.

Private First Class SAMUEL ISAAC, 33218444, Infantry, United States Army. On 30 July 1945, while occupying defensive positions on Mount Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private ISAAC'S infantry company was attacked by a numerically superior force of Japanese. Noticing that one of our machine guns had been knocked out and the crew either killed or wounded, Private ISAAC made his way over fifty yards of fire-swept terrain to reach the position. He repaired the gun under the most hazardous conditions, being unable to properly defend or conceal himself until the job had been completed. With the gun again in working condition, he fired several volleys and killed two Japanese before he ran out of ammunition. He then resorted to hurling grenades. When these had been depleted, he worked his way to the rear for more ammunition, and then returned to the front to continue the fight. Home address: Mrs. W. E. Isaac, Mother, Appalachia, Virginia.



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Private First Class MCKINLEY L. KNIGHT, 39007479, Infantry, United States Army. At Mount Kiangnan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, during an enemy counterattack against positions held by our troops, three Japanese charged Private KNIGHT, who was in a foxhole. Private KNIGHT killed one with rifle fire, but the other two continued to advance. In close combat, he killed both with the butt of his rifle. When his supply of ammunition was exhausted, Private KNIGHT crawled to one of the Japanese who had fallen and relieved him of his rifle and ammunition. He then continued to fight until the attack was repulsed. Home address: Mrs. Irene Jackson, Mother, Box 746, Lake Park, California.

Private First Class GEORGE A. KOHL, 33814538, Infantry, United States Army. At Mount Kiangnan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, during a counterattack against his platoon's position, the enemy had driven so close that Private KOHL and another soldier, who were holding down a portion of a widely extended perimeter, were forced to fight with bayonet. When his comrade was wounded, Private KOHL continued to fight alone. He killed two Japanese and wounded several others. Not content with driving off the attackers in his sector, Private KOHL then went forward of our lines to kill with a grenade an enemy rifleman who was firing from behind a boulder. Home address: Mrs. Henry Kohl, Mother, 108 West Lane Avenue, Shellington, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant MICHAEL A. KOZLAK, 31252773, Infantry, United States Army. At the Catalangan River, vicinity of Dibuluan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 July 1945, Sergeant KOZLAK, assistant squad leader, saw the lead scout of his patrol was wounded while crossing the river. The patrol leader tried several times to advance his patrol across the river, which was under enemy machine gun and rifle fire, so that the wounded man could be given first aid and evacuated to the rear. Sergeant KOZLAK, with disregard for his own safety, removed his shoes and rifle-belt, ran across open terrain to the river, dove in, swam across the river and successfully reached the wounded man. Sergeant KOZLAK rendered first aid and with the assistance of another man returned the wounded man to a rear area. Home address: Mrs. Susy Kozlak, Mother, 295 East Elm Street, Torrington, Connecticut.

Private First Class TOLLE L. MANN, 34083489, Infantry, United States Army. At Mount Kiangnan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945 at 0400 hours, the enemy attacked our positions in a suicidal charge. Noticing that an adjacent machine gun position was silent, Private MANN crawled to the gun and began firing, killing four of the enemy. He then picked up the machine gun and advanced toward a defiladed area concealing several of the enemy. Firing his machine gun in assault, he killed four additional Japanese. His quick thinking and intrepidity were materially responsible for the repulsion of the attack and the light casualties inflicted on our troops. Home address: Mrs. Mary Mann, Mother, Hamilton, Georgia.

Private First Class WALTER D. MEANS, 39340840, Infantry, United States Army. On 29 June 1945, the enemy was firmly entrenched in rugged, easily defended terrain, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. They commanded the lower ground occupied by our troops. The elimination of this stronghold was essential since it lay in the path of a projected advance toward Kiangnan. The rifle platoon of

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which Private LEANS is a member was assigned the task of launching the assault against these well defended positions. The platoon had advanced but a short distance up the steep, rocky approaches to the hill when it was suddenly pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire from the front and both flanks. Private LEANS, a rifleman in the leading squad, located an enemy machine gun on the right flank. Jumping to his feet, he rushed across an open area exposed to a hail of enemy fire, hit the ground below the enemy position and crawled within a short distance of the enemy gun. Rising to a crouch from his prone position, he hurled four hand grenades. The explosion of his grenades knocked out the enemy gun and killed all of the enemy crew. With the right flank cleared through his intrepid action, the platoon was able to maneuver and successfully assault the objective. Home address: Mrs. Gladys H. Means, Mother, B. B. Route, Cottage Grove, Oregon.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT L. PRICE, 39081189, Medical Department, United States Army. On 6 July 1945 in the Hucob area, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the advance of a rifle company was halted by machine gun fire. Five men were seriously wounded and the rest of the company withdrew to a concealed position. Technician PRICE, company aid man, and six infantrymen volunteered to go back to treat and evacuate the wounded. Technician PRICE went forward under direct machine gun fire to a point about twenty yards from an enemy position to administer first aid to a seriously wounded man lying in a shallow ditch. Then Technician PRICE and another soldier boosted the wounded man out of the ditch and started to crawl back with him between them. An enemy machine gun opened fire, hitting the wounded man in the head and killing him instantly. Technician PRICE and his companion were uninjured. In spite of his narrow escape, Technician PRICE continued to give first aid and supervised the evacuation of other wounded to a safe place. His actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ella Price, Mother, Zion, Missouri.

Corporal ORVAL R. WHEELER, 36365326, Infantry, United States Army. At Mount Kiangai, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945, when a superior number of Japanese attacked his platoon's position, a group of Filipino soldiers helping to defend the position fled in confusion. Corporal WHEELER fought the Japanese singlehandedly until his ammunition was exhausted. He then fixed bayonet and charged. The fury of his attack so demoralized the enemy that they turned and bolted, leaving behind them one of their number killed and all their weapons. Before the enemy could consolidate the portion of the perimeter so well defended by Corporal WHEELER, the perimeter was once again reinforced and offered an impenetrable barrier to subsequent attacks. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Wheeler, Mother, Finley, Illinois.

Section III - Awards of SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull 8 WD 1926) and pursuant to authority contained in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and paragraph 3g, USAFFE Regulations 10-50, 17 August 1943, Subject: "Award of Decorations", a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to each of the following named enlisted men for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy. Private

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BOEHLER and Sergeant FERRELL, along with Sergeant Landon, were bathing in a branch of the Lamut River, vicinity of Bagabag, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 July 1945. Sergeant Landon swam out into the river where the water was running swift and deep. Almost instantly he developed cramps in his legs and was unable to stay afloat. He sank below the surface twice before his companions observed his struggle. Private BOEHLER, who first noticed the drowning man, immediately went to his aid. He reached Sergeant Landon in time to prevent him from again going under, but he was unable to tow him to shallow water. By this time Sergeant FERRELL had swam out to the struggling men. Together, Sergeant FERRELL and Private BOEHLER pulled the drowning man to safety thereby saving his life.

Private First Class OSCAR BOEHLER, 37029132, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Boehler, Mother, c/o John Boehler, Star Route, Baulah, North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM D. FERRELL, 35026130, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Dortha Madine Ferrell, Wife, 811 Carlisle Street, Newcomerston, Ohio.

Section IV - Award of Combat Infantryman Badge

Under the provisions of War Department Circular 403, dated 17 October 1944, as amended, a Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to Lieutenant Colonel JAMES B. LONNAN, 023107, Infantry, for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HUDDIS:

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Section I. - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First-Class JAMES G. BRADSHAW, 33846452, Infantry, United States Army. On 29 June 1945, the enemy commanded high ground to the front of our lines near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. From their elevated positions, they had obtained unobscured observation and excellent fields of fire. An infantry battalion could not advance until these strong enemy positions were eliminated. Rifleman BRADSHAW'S platoon was given the mission of making the initial assault on the enemy stronghold. Moving out in the attack, the platoon was held up by a concentration of enemy mortar fire. Crawling to a point far in advance of his platoon, Private BRADSHAW, on his own initiative, secured a position from which he was able to observe one of the enemy mortars which was concealed in a defiladed emplacement. Skillfully maneuvering himself to a flank position, he approached the enemy mortar unobserved. From this position he threw two grenades into the enemy entrenchment. His exploding grenades killed three of the enemy mortar crew and resulted in his single-handed capture of the enemy weapon. His daring and successful action permitted the platoon to continue its advance and secure the battalion's objective. Home address: Mrs. Mary Bradshaw, Wife, 620 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, New York.

Private First Class RAYMOND C. DAHLKA, 36929564, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, during an assault on an enemy strongpoint, an infantry platoon, advancing over exceedingly rough terrain, was suddenly fired upon and pinned down by an enemy machine gun. Two members of the platoon fell wounded in terrain vulnerable to the enemy's fire. The platoon made several attempts to reach the wounded men, but was driven back by intense fire from the enemy machine gun nest. Private DAHLKA, an automatic rifleman, located the exact position of the enemy gun by crawling to its flank. Exposing himself to enemy fire, he jumped to his feet, and ran toward the emplacement spraying the position with automatic rifle fire as he advanced. His individual assault disorganized the enemy to such an extent that the wounded men were evacuated without further difficulty. The enemy position was later knocked out by the platoon which was now able to maneuver to an advantageous position. Private DAHLKA'S daring action not only contributed to saving the lives of his fellow soldiers, but also eliminated an enemy obstacle which had halted the attack. Home address: Mrs. Esther R. Dahlka, Mother, 2472 Woodmere, Detroit, Michigan.

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Sergeant VAN T. FOUNTAIN, JR., 34162084, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. On 29 June 1945, during the drive toward Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the rifle squad led by Sergeant FOUNTAIN was designated to reconnoiter the rugged and roughly mapped area near Payawan in preparation for an attack. Sergeant FOUNTAIN, acting as lead scout, successfully infiltrated his squad through and into the rear of the enemy lines. He directed the mapping of discovered enemy positions and concentrations as well as the terrain. Having obtained the desired information, he began the return of his patrol to our lines. Suddenly the patrol was ambushed by two enemy machine guns screened by riflemen. In the ensuing fire fight, Sergeant FOUNTAIN repeatedly exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to direct the fighting of his squad. Under his cool direction and encouraging leadership, the patrol destroyed both enemy guns and killed fourteen Japanese. His brilliant accomplishment of the mission later proved invaluable when the attack was launched against the enemy in this area. Home address: Mrs. Rosie Fountain, Mother, New Castle, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant JEWEL G. GREY, 37605344, (then Private First Class) Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 June 1945, the rifle platoon of which Sergeant GREY is a member had the mission of securing and holding an important hill known to be an enemy strongpoint. When the two leading squads were suddenly pinned down by enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Sergeant GREY, who was acting as an assistant squad leader, dashed through the hail of enemy fire and maneuvered to a position on the enemy's flank. Locating an enemy machine gun nest which had halted the advance of the platoon, Sergeant GREY, using an automatic rifle, fired into the enemy emplacement. His sudden firing from this position knocked out the enemy gun. He then located the positions of three enemy snipers whom he killed. With these obstructions removed, the two squads maneuvered to a favorable position from which they successfully assaulted the objective. Home address: Mrs. Lois E. Grey, Wife, Route 4, Jackson, Tennessee.

Private First Class JOHN R. MILLER, 33923166, Infantry, United States Army. During an attack against strong enemy hill positions in the rough, precipitous terrain near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, the assaulting rifle platoon of which Private MILLER is a member was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire. By exposing himself to the enemy fire, rifleman MILLER was able to crawl toward the enemy machine gun which was protected by several riflemen in front of the emplacement. Upon nearing the trench occupied by the Japanese riflemen, Private MILLER threw three white phosphorous grenades into the trench. His bursting grenades killed five Japanese who were defending the enemy machine gun. The elimination of these enemy riflemen made it possible for other members of his platoon to knock out the enemy machine gun and attain its objective. Home address: Mrs. Bessie M. J. Miller, Wife, 18 Second Street, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania.

Colonel BRUCE PALMER, JR., 020117, General Staff Corps, United States Army. In the Kiangan-Banaue area, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 July 1945, in order to familiarize himself more thoroughly with the terrain over which our troops were fighting, Colonel PALMER, as Chief of Staff, 6th Infantry Division, frequently went forward to visit front line troops. The routes over which he traveled and the combat areas which he visited were subjected to enemy sniper fire, ambushes and enemy mortar concentrations. Despite the numerous personal hazards, Colonel PALMER made complete inspection of our front lines, lending support and encouragement to the fighting men. His gallantry and intrepidity were a great inspiration to all officers and men of the division. Home address: Mrs. Kay Palmer, Wife, Post Office Box 196, Carmel, California.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant EDWARD M. BELL, 01298418, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945, Lieutenant BELL was in charge of a machine gun platoon attached to an infantry rifle company. During an attack on his company perimeter by the enemy who were using small arms, machine guns and knee mortars, Lieutenant BELL left his place of comparative safety and ran from one position to another checking his men. During the entire action, the enemy was laying down a tremendous amount of fire. When one of his men was wounded, Lieutenant BELL was the first to reach him and evacuated him to a place of safety. He then directed the fire of his machine guns in such a manner that the enemy attack was quickly repulsed. Home address: Mrs. Sue Bell, Wife, 628 East 17th Street, New York City, New York.

Private First Class JAMES E. BURROW, 37076557, Infantry, United States Army. On 18 July 1945, near Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the company of which Private BURROW is a member was held up by enemy sniper fire. Private BURROW immediately volunteered to locate the enemy snipers by crawling forward and exposing himself to the enemy so as to draw fire to locate their positions. After locating the enemy positions, Private BURROW led a patrol and succeeded in knocking out the enemy snipers. By his initiative and display of courage his company was able to take its objective. Home address: Mrs. Alice Lemona Goldsmith, Mother, Kennett, Missouri.

Sergeant HUBERT A. CIESIELCZYK, 36218604, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, the infantry rifle platoon in which Sergeant CIESIELCZYK is an assistant squad leader was assigned the mission of assaulting an important enemy-held hill. As the platoon fought its way up the precipitous terrain toward the well entrenched enemy, Sergeant CIESIELCZYK'S leading squad was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire. One man in his squad fell wounded in direct line of the enemy's field of fire. Sergeant CIESIELCZYK, seeing that death was imminent for the wounded man if he were not immediately rescued, jumped to his feet, stood in the open exposing himself to enemy view, and fired several clips of ammunition from his rifle with such speed and accuracy that the enemy was pinned down. During this interval created by Sergeant CIESIELCZYK'S diversionary action, several of the other men of his squad successfully, and without loss to themselves, carried the wounded man to safety. Home address: Mrs. Tillie Ciesielczyk, Mother, 8822 West Cold Springs Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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Private First Class LLOYD E. HOOVER, 37011201, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945, Private HOOVER was the second scout of an infantry rifle platoon which was sent around the left flank to secure a heavily fortified enemy held ridge which had been holding up the advance of an assault company. Traveling through dense jungle and mountainous terrain, it was necessary for him to scout out each likeable enemy position so as not to lead his platoon into an enemy ambush. When the enemy became visible, he and the lead scout, with the protection of fire cover from their platoon, moved forward into the center of the enemy position. Here it was necessary for them to open fire when the enemy rose to meet their advance. During the exchange of fire, Private HOOVER was severely wounded and had to be evacuated. Because of his heroic actions and cool thinking his platoon was soon able to complete its mission. Home address: Mr. Charles D. Hoover, Father, Toronto, Kansas.

Private First Class RICHARD C. ROWLES, 32843384, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 June 1945, as lead scout of a rifle platoon which had been assigned the mission of reconnoitering an enemy strongpoint, Private ROWLES, far in advance of his platoon, observed what appeared to be several enemy machine gun positions. Signaling his platoon to halt and take cover, Private ROWLES, alone, crawled forward over exceedingly rough terrain to a point from which he identified four enemy machine gun nests. Although in imminent danger of detection by the enemy who were only a few yards away, he accurately mapped the precise locations of the machine gun emplacements. Rejoining his platoon he gave the vital information to his commander. Using this information, the platoon in a later attack called for supporting mortar fire. The combined operation of mortar fire and direct fire from the platoon destroyed all of the enemy positions and their crews. Private ROWLES' daring and courageous act was instrumental in the success of the attack and prevented the infliction of casualties upon his platoon. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Rowles, Wife, 103 Cemetery Street, West Avoca, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class HERBERT R. STOUT, 35697766, Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 July 1945, the company of which Private STOUT is a member, was launching an attack against a well-fortified enemy position. The enemy resisted fiercely and a frontal assault on the position was impossible. Private STOUT, a machine gunner, volunteered to take his machine gun to a position from which he could put direct fire upon the enemy. In so doing he was subjected to intense enemy rifle and machine gun fire; however, Private STOUT remained in the position and delivered fire until the rifle squads were able to flank the position and take their objective. Home address: Mrs. Blanche Stout, Mother, Route 2, Blankenbaker Lane, Jeffersontown, Kentucky.

Private First Class PETER TIERSON, 36880237, Infantry, United States Army. On 25 June 1945, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private TIERSON'S infantry company was attacked by an estimated platoon of the enemy, armed with small arms, automatic weapons, grenades, and demolition charges for the destruction of the company's mortars. Under cover of darkness and bamboo thickets, the enemy crawled to within fifteen yards of the mortar position before they were discovered by Private TIERSON, an ammunition carrier for an 81mm mortar platoon. The enemy

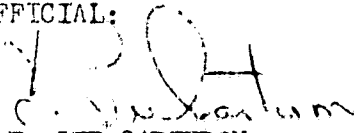
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opened up with grenade and rifle fire, seriously wounding Private TIERSON. By voice, he rallied his companions and with them returned such an intense volley of rifle fire and grenade barrage that the enemy was temporarily repulsed. Private TIERSON refused to be evacuated to a position of safety or to receive medical aid until the enemy was finally dispersed. By his alertness, the enemy's assault was stopped with a slight number of casualties to his company. Home address: Mrs. Reeva Tierson, Wife, 317 Oak Grove Street, Parchment Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 7419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal JOHNNY C. BLANTON, 25104983, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Salinas, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 and 17 June 1945, the Infantry company to which Corporal BLANTON was attached as a mortar observer was held up by intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Unhesitatingly, Corporal BLANTON volunteered to help displace a machine gun forward to obtain a better field of fire. He moved over open terrain exposed to enemy fire and set up the gun. Fire from his machine gun pinned the enemy down and enabled the company to continue its advance. Corporal BLANTON'S courage and devotion to duty merit high praise. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie Blanton, Mother, Box 6, Adairville, Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM H. BLOODWORTH, 37057453 (then Technician Fourth Grade), Infantry, United States Army. On 16 July 1945, Technician BLOODWORTH'S infantry company was given the mission of advancing toward the east coast of Luzon, Philippine Islands to determine the presence of any hostile elements. Technician BLOODWORTH volunteered to accompany an intelligence and reconnaissance platoon patrol and serve as radio operator. During the course of the patrol activity, the platoon was suddenly subjected to artillery shelling. While other members of the platoon were seeking positions of safety, Technician BLOODWORTH, aware of the grave situation and realizing that the fire was coming from friendly self-propelled mounts, immediately opened his radio and informed his company of the shelling. As a result of Technician BLOODWORTH'S presence of mind and courageous alertness, the shelling was stopped and the patrol continued on its mission without sustaining casualties. Home address: Mr. Charles T. Bloodworth, Father, 626 Cynthia Street, Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Private First Class ALFRED W. STONE, 37514622, Infantry, United States Army. On 2 July 1945 near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private STONE was scouting in front of a reinforced platoon on a combat patrol through enemy-held territory. The terrain over which he moved was mountainous and covered with bamboo thickets. Private STONE, advancing well in front of the patrol, noticed a faint trail leading into the brush and immediately suspected an ambush. Signaling to the platoon halt, he climbed the side of a nearby draw and advanced along the top of the ridge to a point where there was a sharp bend in the defile below. Passing here, he discovered a Japanese machine gun nest located in a well camouflaged position with a perfect field of fire down the draw. He returned to

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the platoon and informed the platoon leader of the location of the machine gun. He then led the patrol in an encircling movement to reach the rear of the enemy position. From this point the patrol was able to fire down into the enemy gun position and kill the entire crew without sustaining a single casualty. Private STONE'S alertness in discovering this ambush undoubtedly saved the lives of many of his comrades. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Leonard M. Stone, Father, 516 Morgan Street, Doonville, Missouri.

Private First Class JACK H. VOLLIN, 39936314, Infantry, United States Army. Near Mangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 July 1945, Private VOLLIN, an automatic rifleman, was serving as a member of a rifle squad engaged in assaulting an enemy strong point. During the advance, a member of the squad fell wounded in an exposed position. With disregard for his own safety, Private VOLLIN crawled forward in the face of enemy sniper fire in order to place more effective fire on the enemy. He sprayed the enemy with automatic rifle fire and pinned them to the ground, enabling other members of his squad to advance and evacuate the wounded man. Private VOLLIN held his position and continued pouring fire into the enemy position until all the others had withdrawn to a place of comparative safety. Private VOLLIN'S display of courage and his devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mr. Sidney Jay Vollin, Father, 402 South Center, Miles City, Montana.

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Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9119, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class KENLEY R. BRUCE, 37214493, Infantry, United States Army. During a drive toward Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, one of the important intermediate objectives was the securing of a strongly fortified enemy-held hill which commanded a strategic road. On 26 June 1945, the platoon in which Private BRUCE served as a rifleman launched an assault against the enemy stronghold. As the attack proceeded up the steep, rocky terrain, several men in the attacking platoon were wounded by enemy machine gun fire. Increasingly heavy machine gun and sniper fire made the withdrawal of the platoon an immediate necessity in order to maneuver the platoon into a more advantageous position before renewing the attack. Volunteering to remain behind with two other men and cover the withdrawal of the platoon, Private BRUCE took up an exposed position from which he could effectively counter the enemy fire. Private BRUCE'S quick and accurate firing aided in keeping the enemy from inflicting any further casualties upon the platoon which made a safe withdrawal under the covering fire. Private BRUCE remained at his position and provided protective fire for a party of men engaged in evacuating the wounded. Only when the wounded men had been carried to safety, did he consent to withdraw. His voluntary decision to risk his life in order to prevent further casualties merits high praise. Home address: Mr. Arthur Bruce, Father, Route 14, Eldorado Springs, Missouri.

Private First Class MALLOY COX, JR., 36575213, Infantry, United States Army. On the early morning of 21 June 1945, the machine gun section of which Private COX served as gunner was employed in a perimeter defense of a platoon of 4.2 mortars and two sections of 31mm mortars near Lamut, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At about 0430 while Private COX was manning his gun, the enemy attacked, firing mortars and machine guns in an attempt to break through to the inside of the perimeter. Private COX met the attack with a steady and deadly stream of machine gun fire and hurled numerous grenades at the enemy who got within throwing range of his position. Despite intense enemy mortar fire falling around his position, he remained there and continued to operate his weapon. In the morning, after the enemy were driven away, three Japanese were found dead immediately in front of Private COX'S position and blood trails indicated that many more had been

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wounded. Private COX'S courageous action in providing protective fire for the mortar sections enabled the mortars to operate with devastating effect upon the enemy without loss of life to our troops. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Cox, Wife, 507 S. Saginaw Street, Lapeer, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM F. DOUGLAS, JR., 36575702, Infantry, United States Army. On 15 March 1945, wire communications between a regimental command post and an infantry battalion engaged in fighting near Mount Latalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands were disrupted by enemy action. Repair of the wire lines presented great difficulties because darkness was rapidly approaching. Private DOUGLAS, learning that an artillery preparation was to be placed on enemy positions prior to an attack by our infantry troops and realizing the importance of wire communications in carrying out such preparatory fire, volunteered to lead a wire team in order to restore wire communications. As the wire team was "trouble shooting" along a supply road, enemy mortar fire fell on either side of the crew. Private DOUGLAS dispersed his men and directed them to take cover until the shelling ceased. Then, despite the danger of further mortar fire, the wire team, under the inspiring leadership of Private DOUGLAS, continued to work feverishly until the break was located and communication established. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty made possible artillery support for the attacking infantry troops and reflect highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Eva Douglas, Mother, 3200 Rust Street, Saginaw, Michigan.

Private First Class WILLIAM E. FIELDS, 39422433, Infantry, United States Army. During a drive toward Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, one of the important intermediate objectives was the securing of a strongly fortified enemy-held hill which commanded a strategic road. On 26 June 1945, the platoon in which Private FIELDS served as a rifleman launched an assault against the enemy stronghold. As the attack proceeded up the steep, rocky terrain, several men in the attacking platoon were wounded by enemy machine gun fire. Increasingly heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire made the withdrawal of the platoon an immediate necessity in order to maneuver the platoon into a more advantageous position before renewing the attack. Volunteering to remain behind with two other men and cover the withdrawal of the platoon, Private FIELDS took up an exposed position from which he could effectively counter the enemy fire. Private FIELDS' quick and accurate firing aided in keeping the enemy from inflicting any further casualties upon the platoon which made a safe withdrawal under the covering fire. Private FIELDS remained at his position and provided protective fire for a party of men engaged in evacuating the wounded. Only when the wounded men had been carried to safety, did he consent to withdraw. His voluntary decision to risk his life in order to prevent further casualties merits high praise. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth C. Fields, Mother, Box 122, Wood, California.

Private First Class NOEL J. GOODWIN, 37065397, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 June 1945, the platoon in which Private GOODWIN served as a rifleman, was assigned the mission of securing a ridge commanding a road near Bagawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During our advance up rocky terrain, two of the men of the attacking platoon were struck by enemy machine gun fire. They lay where

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they had fallen exposed to enemy fire. The enemy intensified their effort to defend their position with increased machine gun and sniper fire. The platoon was forced to withdraw from its untenable position. Private GOODWIN then volunteered, in the absence of medical aid men, to attempt the rescue of the two wounded men. Running through the field of enemy machine gun and sniper fire, he reached the the wounded men. With the assistance of two other men who had similarly volunteered, Private GOODWIN aided in evacuating the wounded to a covered position. His unselfish and courageous conduct which resulted in saving the lives of his wounded comrades merits high praise and brings credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Jack M. Goodwin, Father, Farks, Arkansas.

Private First Class MARION F. HILL, 35603332, Infantry, United States Army. During military operations near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 July 1945 to 20 July 1945, Private HILL was acting squad leader in a pioneer and ammunition platoon. Due to the rainy weather three culverts were washed out along a road that was used as a supply route to front line troops. Even though the area was subject to enemy sniper fire and ambush, Private HILL volunteered to reconstruct the three culverts in order to reopen the supply route and facilitate the delivery of supplies to the front. Much of the material needed to rebuild the culverts had to be obtained from mountainous areas and hand carried over rough and hazardous terrain. Private HILL'S devotion to duty and excellent leadership inspired the men working with him to construct the culverts while exposed to enemy fire and greatly aided the movement of supplies to forward elements. Home address: Mrs. Esther Lee Hill, Wife, 1447 Marsh Street, San Luis Obispo, California.

Technical Sergeant MARION J. KRESS, 37071950, Infantry, United States Army. In a very rapid advance during the period 10 July 1945 to 13 July 1945 on the town of Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands, the spearhead of the push through enemy defenses along an important highway was furnished by the platoon of which Sergeant KRESS served as platoon sergeant. Operation over the allotted terrain was extremely difficult; the highway was strewn with enemy equipment, tank traps, numerous mine fields and road blocks. Many enemy soldiers had been left behind to fight a delaying action. By personal supervision of his men and his continued presence in the foremost elements of his platoon, Sergeant KRESS provided leadership that made it possible to thwart the enemy at every turn. His mastery of the situation inspired and encouraged his men. Sergeant KRESS' platoon was credited with well over a score of enemy killed during the time in which he led his platoon as the spearhead of the advance. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant KRESS brings credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Helen Kress, Mother, 19 North 9th Street, Kansas City, Kansas.

Private First Class CARLYLE L. FARGENT, 31115471, Infantry, United States Army. On 17 June 1945, while his heavy weapons company was advancing along Highway 4, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands with other units of an infantry battalion, Private L. OENT, assistant driver, and his driver volunteered to haul mortar and machine gun ammunition in their one-quarter ton vehicle to the

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front line troops. The bridges and culverts along the highway had been destroyed by the retreating enemy, making it impossible for heavy trucks to supply food and ammunition to the forward area. On their first trip, Private LAPOINT and his comrade were fired upon by enemy snipers, but they continued to haul much needed ammunition. While driving their fifth load over the winding mountainous road, Private LAPOINT and his driver were suddenly ambushed by the enemy who were well concealed in thick bamboo underbrush. Their vehicle was struck by an enemy round and rendered useless. Private LAPOINT and his driver quickly took cover, opened fire upon the enemy and drove them off. While the driver repaired the damaged vehicle, Private LAPOINT maintained a protective guard by exposing himself and drawing fire from snipers, thus enabling his driver to complete repairs without interruption. When the vehicle was repaired, the two men continued hauling ammunition. Private LAPOINT'S courageous devotion to duty merits high praise. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle LaPoint, Mother, RFD #1, Berlin, New Hampshire.

Sergeant CHARLES T. NELSON, 37029407, Infantry, United States Army. On 30 July 1945, Sergeant NELSON and his light machine gun squad were in support of a rifle platoon near Mount Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands. A superior force of Japanese suddenly attacked their position. One of his gunners who was protecting the platoon's left flank was wounded and unable to man his gun. The enemy seized this advantage by increasing the fury of their charge. Sergeant NELSON, when he noticed the gun out of action, immediately worked his way to the gun, took over the wounded gunner's position and fired several volleys into the midst of the onrushing Japanese. The impetus of the enemy's charge brought them to within grenade-throwing range of our troops. Still maintaining his position, Sergeant NELSON continued to place such devastating fire upon the enemy that the force of the attack was spent and the enemy broke up and scattered in hasty retreat, leaving their dead behind. Home address: Mrs. Charles T. Nelson, Wife, 912 East Central Street, Springfield, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant JAMES M. NOLAN, 37000058, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 July 1945, Sergeant NOLAN a rifle platoon sergeant, took over the duties of platoon leader in his platoon leader's absence. When the company moved out to assault a strongly fortified hill, Sergeant NOLAN was ordered to hold his platoon in reserve. As the company moved onto a low ridge leading up to the enemy positions, it was subjected to a terrific concentration of machine gun and sniper fire. Orders were sent back to Sergeant NOLAN to bring up his platoon. He immediately led his platoon in a flanking movement around the company's right, bringing his platoon up the rear slope of the hill from which the heaviest enemy fire was coming. Although the Japanese discovered the approach of the platoon, Sergeant NOLAN had time to maneuver his platoon into covered positions from which harassing fire was directed at the enemy emplacements. The enemy was forced to give their entire attention to repelling this unexpected attack and could no longer oppose the company's advance. The company was thus enabled to move across the hitherto impassable ridge and continue on its mission. Sergeant NOLAN'S initiative and courageous leadership merits high praise. Home address: Mr. James C. Nolan, Father, Frankfort, Kentucky.

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Staff Sergeant ALTON I. NORD, 37031209, Infantry, United States Army. Under the cover of darkness on 25 June 1945, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, attacking Japanese succeeded in reach sergeant NORD'S company perimeter, advancing through dense bamboo thickets and tall grass. The enemy had located the company mortars by their fire the previous day. Without warning, they opened up with rifle fire, automatic weapons and grenades. At this time, Sergeant NORD, section sergeant of a machine gun platoon, united and rallied his men during the ferocious attack and turned back the assault after killing and wounding many of the enemy. Sergeant NORD'S courage and leadership during the surprise attack were an inspiration to the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mrs. Hildred R. Nord, Mother, Route #2, Hines, Minnesota.

Private First Class JAMES H. PASCHAL, 34004227, Infantry, United States Army. During the drive toward Kiangai, Luzon, Philippine Islands, one of the important intermediate objectives was the securing of a strongly fortified enemy-held hill which commanded the road near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 26 June 1945, the platoon in which Private PASCHAL served as a rifleman launched an assault against the enemy stronghold. As the attack proceeded up the steep, rocky terrain, several men were wounded by machine gun fire. Increasingly heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire made the withdrawal of the platoon an immediate necessity so as to maneuver into a more advantageous position to renew the attack. Volunteering with two other men to remain behind and cover the withdrawal of his platoon, Private PASCHAL took up an exposed position from which he could effectively counter the enemy volleys. Private PASCHAL'S quick and accurate firing aided in keeping the enemy from inflicting further casualties and enabled the platoon to make a safe, orderly withdrawal. Private PASCHAL remained at his position and provided covering fire for a party of men engaged in evacuating the wounded. Only after the wounded men had been carried to safety, did he consent to withdraw. His voluntary decision to risk his life to prevent further casualties made it possible to quickly reorganize the platoon for a successful attack. Private PASCHAL'S courageous and determined stand reflects outstanding credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Emma P. Paschal, Mother, Route #1, Franklin, Georgia

Private First Class AMEDIO A. TOZZI, 32171587, Infantry, United States Army. On 17 June 1945, while his heavy weapons company was advancing along highway 4, near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Private TOZZI, a driver, and his assistant driver volunteered to haul mortar and machine gun ammunition in their one-quarter ton vehicle to the front line troops. The bridges and culverts along the highway had been destroyed by the retreating enemy, making it impossible for heavy trucks to carry supplies to the forward area. On their first trip they were fired upon by enemy snipers, but continued forward with the much needed ammunition. While making their fifth trip over the winding mountainous road, Private TOZZI and his assistant were suddenly ambushed by the enemy who were well hidden by thick bamboo undergrowth. The timing chain of their vehicle was hit, causing it to stall. Private TOZZI and his assistant driver opened fire upon the enemy and drove them off. Private TOZZI while exposed to enemy fire, repaired the damage done to his vehicle. He then continued on his mission. Private TOZZI'S courageous devotion to duty reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Olympia Tozzi, Mother, 302 East 151st Street, New York, New York.

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Staff Sergeant JAMES W. WINGFIELD, 37065730, Infantry, United States Army. In a very rapid advance on the town of Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 July 1945, an assault platoon was pinned down by fire from an enemy road block supported by direct artillery fire. Due to the dense foliage surrounding the road block observation was very poor. Noting this, Sergeant WINGFIELD, 60mm mortar section leader, brought his mortar section forward and placed them in a firing position just to the rear of the assault platoon. From this hazardous location, he was able to bring fire on the enemy. On three successive attempts by our men to break through the road block, he provided supporting mortar fire. The work of Sergeant WINGFIELD and his section not only bolstered the courage of our men but also played an important part in completing the company mission, destruction of the road block. Home address: Mrs. Vanette H. Wingfield, Wife, Route #3, Box 19 Okolona, Arkansas.

Section II - Awards of Meritorious Service Unit Plaque

Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6 to the following named units:

SERVICE COMPANY, 63D INFANTRY REGIMENT. The regimental service company displayed superior performance of duty in carrying out exceptionally difficult tasks in connection with the Luzon, Philippine Islands campaign for the period 10 January 1945 to 30 April 1945. The company landed on the island of Luzon with less than fifty percent of its Table of Equipment vehicles. Nevertheless, adequate supplies were furnished front line combat troops at all times. Because of the rapidly moving tactical operations supplies were hauled over difficult terrain day and night. Breakdowns of vehicles brought about by extended use and enemy action required maintenance personnel to work on a twenty-four hour basis during the campaign. Certain supplies were often not available through regular channels which necessitated additional daily contacts with other organizations so as to insure an adequate supply of materiel. All personnel of this unit demonstrated the highest degree of ingenuity and initiative in coping with the difficult problems which arose. As a result, long and hazardous supply routes did not prevent the swift and continuous movement of supplies, and perplexing problems involving maintenance were solved. In addition, Service Company of the 63d Infantry Regiment achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and military courtesy. The appearance of personnel and installations was superior. Execution of orders was carried out enthusiastically at all times. Such fine performance of duty is worthy of highest praise.

SERVICE BATTERY, 51ST FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION. For superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty from 1 December 1944 to 9 March 1945. While preparing for the Luzon operation, Service Battery accomplished in a superior manner duties made difficult by the shortage of vehicles, service equipment and supplies. A shortage of transportation existed due to additional details required in transporting the personnel and equipment of other units to the embarkation point. Through careful organization, improvised field expedients



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and the assiduous performance of duty, the personnel of Service Battery accomplished its mission in an exemplary manner. In addition, Service Battery organized and equipped a rear echelon which later joined the battalion in the objective area. This was accomplished with excellent results. From S-Day, 9 January 1945, until 9 March 1945 in the Luzon operation, the organization serviced and supplied its battalion in an outstanding manner despite long supply routes caused by rapid changes in the tactical situation. Frequently ammunition trips were made over distances of more than two hundred miles, often in blackout and over routes harassed by enemy snipers. The maintenance section operated in shifts day and night in order to keep ammunition and supply trains on the march. At all times during this period, Service Battery maintained a high standard of discipline and military courtesy; the execution of orders under difficult conditions was enthusiastically carried out, and the appearance of all personnel, installations and equipment was superior. Such fine performance of duty is deserving of the highest praise.

MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 20TH INFANTRY REGIMENT. For superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty from 9 January 1945 to 16 April 1945. Through the untiring efforts of the officers and men of Medical Detachment, the 20th Infantry Regiment was never short of medical supplies while in combat. Preparation for the Luzon operation entailed day and night loading of large quantities of medical supplies with a minimum of personnel. The men worked unceasingly with only brief periods of rest. Medical Detachment landed on S-Day, 9 January 1945. All of the medical personnel were in the assault waves and immediately set up aid stations on the initial beachhead. In coordination with naval beaching parties, a system of evacuation was expedited. When the second phase line was reached, Medical Detachment moved forward in the rear of assaulting troops within two hours after H-Hour. Aid stations, quickly established and in working order, rendered invaluable service to the regiment throughout the campaign. In spite of the most rigorous combat conditions and the rapidity of movement, the unit maintained advance aid stations and evacuated the wounded in an expeditious manner. All the personnel of the detachment demonstrated outstanding courage, loyalty and devotion to duty, constantly volunteering to accompany patrols in order to evacuate the wounded from isolated company and platoon positions. Litter bearers successfully evacuated wounded over long and difficult supply trails infested with snipers and subjected to enemy artillery. Such evacuation required the utmost expenditure of energy, ingenious resourcefulness and conspicuous initiative and courage. Such outstanding performance of duty, in addition to exemplary standards of discipline and soldierly bearing, is deserving of highest praise.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUSLY  
SECTION II - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Section I - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade ALEXANDER BLACK, 37086086, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Evelyn H. Black, Wife, 174 1st Avenue, Evanston, Wyoming. ✓

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class MARLEN J. BIEVER, 37279875, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lorraine Biever, Wife, Highmore South Dakota. ✓

Private First Class JOHN H. COLLINS, 38516090, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 2 August 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ollie Bell Collins, Mother, Box 11, Palmyra, Arkansas. ✓

Technician Third Grade JOHANNES De HORN, 36168681, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 27 July 1945 to 19 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dena De Horn, Mother, 291 East Grand Street, Muskegon, Michigan. ✓

Staff Sergeant HARRY K. FENIMORE, 33797756, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olivia Fenimore, Mother, 112 High Street, Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania. ✓

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR E. FERGUSON, 37007711, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Oscar J. Ferguson, Father, RFD #2, Willow Springs, Missouri. ✓

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Technical Sergeant CLAUDE W. FINLEY, 36727844, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 March 1945 to 30 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Netta Finley, Mother, 324 N. Independence Avenue, Rockford, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM A. GILLUM, 34379758, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Euhler U. Gillum, Wife, Gothrie, Kentucky.

Sergeant TONY HAVRANEK, 36075033, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 10 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fannie Havranek, Mother, 827 Iowa Street, Madison, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD HUGHES, 37009221, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 July 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Jesty M. Hughes, Father, RR #1, Hartfield, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant EARL B. JENSEN, 36253886, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Baguio, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Flossie A. Jensen, Mother, 2714 Geneva Street, Racine, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade HARLAN L. JENSEN, 37038599, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Christina Jensen, Mother, Route #3, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK H. KAISER, 37026853, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Peter J. Kaiser, Father, Hoven, South Dakota.

Sergeant ANDREW B. KLUEMPER, 35490233, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Herman Kluemper, Mother, 501 West Ninth Street, Jasper, Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT J. KNIGHT, 35205367, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Baguio, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emma M. Knight, Mother, RFD #3, Grafton, West Virginia.

Sergeant CONSTANTINE J. LAZARAKIS, 39122700, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 29 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Evgonia Priftakis, Mother, 109 Bartlett Street, San Francisco, California.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM C. LESHER, 33160592, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elva V. Leshner, Wife, 1153 Perry Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Captain PETER HARUSAK, 01012994, Cavalry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 16 June 1945 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harriet A. Harusak, Wife, 55 Chestnut Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

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Technician Fifth Grade EDWIN W. NEWLING, 38459892, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Baguio, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Clive V. Hughes, Uncle, 622 Wassa Street, Lockhart, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade HAROLD F. MORRIS, 35365432, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace Morris, Mother, 4740 Central Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD H. MURRAY, 37045529, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara E. Murray, Wife, 2314 N Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Captain JOHN F. NEALE, JR., 01575024, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret S. Neale, Wife, 1425 Briarwood Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade CLINTON D. NEWLIN, 38116464, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 27 July 1945 to 19 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fannie E. Newlin, Mother, Route #1, Gatesville, Texas.

Captain EDWARD J. O'HEARN, 01575040, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Georgiana J. O'Hearn, Wife, 916 North Avers Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN PETO, 35060753, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Baguio, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Peto, Wife, Hunting Hill, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN J. POWDERMAKER, 33593404, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 January 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances Powdermaker, Mother, 2409 N. 19th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade LOUIS E. PRESBUTT, 37038309, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. John L. Day, Stepbrother, Johnstown, Nebraska.

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First Lieutenant MAX HILMAN RABINOVITCH, 01038797, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sadie Rabinovitch, Mother, 923 Washington Street, Norwood, Massachusetts.

Corporal WILLIAM F. SMITH, 36750026, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 29 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Ann Smith, Wife, 5705 W. Addison Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Technician Fourth Grade ADOLPH L. SOLEM, 37296814, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bergliot Solem, Mother, Route #6, Box 262, Duluth, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD S. STALLAN, 36871719, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 29 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pauline M. Stallan, Wife, Route #1, Bay City, Michigan.

First Sergeant BELL W. STARK, 17013552, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. William S. Stark, Father, Route #1, Heald, Arkansas.

Technician Fourth Grade BILL STRATOS, 35399456, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 May 1945 to 19 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Madeline Columbus, Sister, 1512 Edward Street, Youngstown, Ohio.

Sergeant RICHARD C. UEMAH, 39169360, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 18 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dora G. Umbach, Wife, 9631 California Avenue, South Gate, California.

Technician Fifth Grade LINDS J. UNTERMEYER, 37057532, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 2 August 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara Untermeier, Mother, RR #1, Seventy Six, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade JACK E. VAN DAM, 36871260, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 29 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Van Dam, Mother, 574 Oak Avenue, Muskegon, Michigan.

Technician Third Grade CHARLES R. WILSON, 3372957, Infantry, United States Army. At Sinsabor, British New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 November 1944 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie Wilson, Mother, 627 Wiley Avenue, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM P. WONDRAK, 38725232, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles Wondrak, Father, 46 East 182d Street, Bronx, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade CHESTER D. YOUNG, 17024000, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy A. Young, Wife, 145 South Limestone, Lexington, Kentucky.

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Section I - Award of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class EDWARD L. WILKIE, 36878054, Infantry, United States Army. Private WILKIE went forward with an observation party during an attack against an enemy-held ridge line near Mount Puloy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 August 1945. When artillery and machine gun fire was placed on our troops, he voluntarily, without regard for his own life, exposed himself to the hostile fire in an attempt to locate machine gun positions which were holding up the advance. After locating several enemy gun positions and directing fire upon them, he was sighted by the enemy and mortally wounded. His efforts aided greatly in knocking out three machine gun nests, thus enabling our forces to take and hold their objective. Private WILKIE'S exemplary courage and intense devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men with whom he served. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Alice Wilkie, Wife, 13116 Northlawn, Detroit, Michigan.

Section II - Award of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named of *award* **ALLEN** BY GO# *183-- Sept 4, 1945 To read*

\* Captain **ROBERT E. PHELPS, 024165**, Infantry, United States Army. Near *Silver Star* Mount Baytaungan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 24 March 1945, Captain PHELPS led the first platoon of his company in an assault on a strongly defended enemy fortification. The attack was executed with such speed that the platoon had driven over a 37mm gun emplacement before forced into a withdrawal by heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Seizing a radio from its wounded operator, Captain PHELPS jumped into an enemy foxhole thirty yards from the final objective and directed covering fire from a 60mm mortar. Captain PHELPS drew a full concentration of enemy fire. As soon as the withdrawal was accomplished, he made his way to the rear. After an 81mm and 4.2 mortar preparation, Captain PHELPS led his company

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in a second assault which completely routed the enemy. In addition to seventeen Japanese killed in the advance, a 37mm gun, three heavy machine guns and a lance mortar were destroyed. Captain PHELPS' aggressive leadership in all phases of the attack was a great inspiration to his officers and men. Home address: Mrs. Juanita Phelps, Wife, 530 North 28th Street, Corvallis, Oregon.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant MARVIN L. BERRY, 37059290, (then Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. On 20 July 1945, Sergeant BERRY'S platoon was advancing toward Banaue, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The forward movement of the platoon was temporarily halted by fierce resistance from an enemy holding force of approximately sixty Japanese. Sergeant BERRY, a squad leader, and his squad were providing flank protection. Upon his own initiative Sergeant BERRY maneuvered his squad to an advantageous position from which they laid down a withering base of fire on the enemy. The enemy force was disorganized to such an extent by the effectiveness of the fire that the main body of the platoon was able to advance and disperse the enemy completely. The courage and leadership displayed by Sergeant BERRY in this action merits high praise. Home address: Mr. Parley E. Berry, Father, Oilmont, Montana.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. FAWCETT, 37065771, Infantry, United States Army. In a very rapid advance on the town of Kiangon, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 July 1945, the spearhead of the drive was furnished by a platoon of which Private FAWCETT was an automatic rifleman. The platoon was held up by an enemy road block supported by machine guns and direct artillery fire. In engaging the enemy defending the road block, the platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy fire and casualties resulted. Noting that fire superiority had to be gained immediately to make possible the evacuation of his wounded comrades, Private FAWCETT acted instantly. Opening fire with his automatic rifle, he moved to an exposed position from which he lay withering fire on the enemy position. From his advantageous but hazardous position he fired round after round, neutralizing the enemy fire. Under his protective fire the wounded were evacuated. The last man to be evacuated, suffering from a severe case of battle fatigue, was helped to safety by Private FAWCETT, who, as he withdrew with the casualty, continued to fire his weapon from the hip. Private FAWCETT'S courageous and intense devotion to duty reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Denny, Mother, Mountain Home, Arkansas.

Private First Class GEORGE T. GRADY, 36475448, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Banaue, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 July 1945, a platoon of American troops and two platoons of Philippine Army Troops were heavily engaged in a fire fight with approximately sixty Japanese. During the action

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Private **GRUBBI**, a platoon runner, exposed himself constantly to enemy sniper fire in order to maintain communications and liaison between the American and Filipino troops. As a result of his courageous aggressiveness and determination, close coordination between the two groups was achieved and the enemy was dispersed. Private **GRUBBI'S** loyal and unswerving devotion to duty merits high praise. Home address: Mrs. Stella Grady, Mother, Huey, Illinois.

Sergeant **WARD B. HAWLEY**, 30736980, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Banaue, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 July 1945, Sergeant **HAWLEY**, an assistant squad leader of a rifle platoon, was given the mission of taking an automatic rifle team and several riflemen to a point from which fire could be placed on an enemy position which had temporarily halted the advance of our troops. Although all routes open Sergeant **HAWLEY'S** forward movement were covered by enemy fire, he, unhesitatingly, led his men through the enemy field of fire and selected an excellent position from which to direct the fire of his men despite the fact that he himself was exposed to the view and fire of the enemy. As a result of his courageous action such a heavy volume of fire was placed on the enemy that they were thrown into confusion and the main body of our troops were able to gain their objective with a minimum of delay. Sergeant **HAWLEY'S** courageous leadership is worthy of such praise and is in keeping with the military traditions of the United States. Home address: Mrs. Nora Hawley, Mother, Box 171, Otta, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant **JOE M. MAROWIC**, 37021320, Infantry, United States Army. Near Mangyan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 July 1945, Sergeant **MAROWIC** was serving as platoon guide of an assaulting company when his platoon was pinned down by enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Sergeant **MAROWIC** learned that two of his men were badly wounded. Crawling forward, he located his two lead scouts who had been wounded and were unable to move to cover. On his own initiative Sergeant **MAROWIC** directed 60mm mortar fire on the enemy positions and then, by skillfully maneuvering his platoon, succeeded in building up a sufficient base of fire to pin down the enemy. Under this protective fire Sergeant **MAROWIC** crawled forward and supervised the evacuation of the wounded men. Sergeant **MAROWIC'S** willingness to risk his life to save his comrades reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Angelina Majonowicz, Mother, 2333 Grand Street North East, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Private First Class **SALVATORE MESSITE**, 31052464, Medical Department, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945, Private **MESSITE** was in charge of a litter squad at a forward battalion aid station. Assault platoons came under small arms and machine gun fire and called for a litter squad to evacuate several wounded. Unhesitatingly, Private **MESSITE** led his squad forward across several hundred yards of open terrain which was under enemy observation and direct small arms and machine gun fire. The casualties were reached and immediately given first aid. Despite sniper fire, Private **MESSITE** succeeded in bringing the wounded safely to the aid-station. Such an outstanding display of courage and resourcefulness in saving the lives of his wounded comrades is most praiseworthy. Home address: Mrs. Phoebe G. Mesite, Wife, 30 Turnbull Street, Meriden, Connecticut.



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Staff Sergeant EARL E. PHILLIPS, 35413843, Infantry, United States Army. On 9 July 1945, the platoon of which Sergeant PHILLIPS, a platoon guide, is a member was attacking well fortified enemy positions near Hucab, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the attack the platoon encountered intense small arms fire and two lead scouts and an automatic rifleman were wounded. Sergeant PHILLIPS took the wounded man's automatic rifle and placed such withering fire on the enemy that he was able to pin them down, making possible the evacuation of the wounded to a place of safety. He then volunteered to act as lead scout while the platoon continued its advance. Sergeant PHILLIPS killed several of the enemy and kept the remainder pinned down as other members of the platoon destroyed the enemy entrenched in dug-in positions with hand grenades. Sergeant PHILLIPS' leadership and fearlessness under fire had direct bearing on the success of the mission and inspired all the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Phillips, Mother, Route #1, Bethesda, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant CECIL S. RUSSO, 36254939, Infantry, United States Army. Sergeant RUSSO was serving as squad leader in a task force assigned the mission of securing Banaue, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 July 1945. During the approach march to Banaue, Sergeant RUSSO and his squad were acting as rear guard of a column, providing protection for carrying parties. The carriers were suddenly fired upon by an enemy ambush, wounding one and disorganizing the rest of the party. Sergeant RUSSO, exposing himself to the view and fire of the enemy, reconnoitered the area and located the ambush. He immediately maneuvered his squad to a vantage point from which he directed fire on the enemy and dispersed them. As a result of his courageous aggressiveness the carrying party was quickly reorganized and moved forward with vital supplies. Sergeant RUSSO'S loyal and intense devotion to duty brings credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Sam Russo, Father, Box 54, Phillips, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ARNOLD H. TOUTGES, 37031385, Infantry, United States Army. Near Rizal, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 February 1945, Private TOUTGES and two other men from a battalion ammunition and pioneer platoon were assigned the mission of accompanying a forward combat patrol into the enemy-held town of Rizal. After entering the town and while he and his squad members were inspecting a bridge for enemy demolitions and booby traps, a strong Japanese counterattack was hurled against the combat patrol to which they were attached. The enemy attack was supported by intense enemy sniper and mortar fire which caused several casualties among members of the patrol. Private TOUTGES, in the absence of medical aid men, voluntarily crawled forward under the severe enemy fire and helped evacuate one of the wounded men to the rear. He then returned and again moved forward to evacuate another casualty from an area which was bearing the blunt of the enemy fire. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private TOUTGES in going to the rescue of his wounded comrades reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Chris Toutges, Father, RFD #1, Altamant, South Dakota.

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Lieutenant Colonel, GRADE: C. WATERS, 0287640, Infantry, United States Army. Colonel WATERS, commanding an infantry battalion, was responsible for the outstanding success of his command in the taking of all intermediary objectives and the clearing and final capture of an important regimental objective near Kibangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 July 1945 to 14 July 1945. Colonel WATERS was with the forward command posts of the attacking companies, often exposing himself to sniper fire while moving from one company to another. In order to obtain first-hand information of the enemy and better coordination between companies, Colonel WATERS took up a position in the rear of one of the attacking platoons even though his position was subject to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire. He made reconnaissance of the ground in front of his attacking echelons from an exposed observation post which often became the primary target for enemy snipers. Colonel WATERS skillfully maneuvered his forces, utilizing the terrain to the best advantage, and gained his final objective with a minimum loss of life. Home address: Mrs. Venus L. Waters, Wife, 102 South Barnes, Tonkawa, Oklahoma.

Section IV - Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provision of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943 and USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action at Lingayen, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 January 1945 is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class ROBERT J. FAXTON, 38212369, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Eldon J. Faxton, Brother, DeWitt, Arkansas.

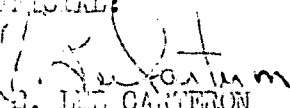
Section V - Award of the Purple Heart (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

In addition to the Purple Heart awarded to Private First Class JOSEPH J. MERLO, 13038833, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster for wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 July 1945 is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943 and USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended. The citation is as follows:

Private First Class JOSEPH J. MERLO, 13038833, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Tillie Merlo, Mother, 16 Kuntz, Street, Hatona, Pennsylvania.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HUBBIS:

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Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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First Lieutenant ROLLIE L. FLEEMAN, 01291095, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 4 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary A. Fleeman, Wife, Lower Salem, Ohio.

Private First Class HOWARD C. HOWD, 36116955, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Howd, Mother, 1040 Knickerbacker Street, Flint, Michigan.

Captain MARVIN F. LECHER, 01821002, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 June 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lillian Lecher, Mother, Primghar, Iowa.

Private First Class WILLIAM H. MORRIS, 38590445, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lourene Morris, Wife, 2274 West 22d Street, Los Angeles, California.

Captain ALFRED S. ROSENFELDER, 01294017, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite E. Rosenfelder, Wife, 3931 W. Congress Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant ALFRED J. ROSS, 37031366, Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 July 1945 to 22 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Peter W. Ross, Father, Wyoming, Minnesota.

Second Lieutenant ORLAND RAY SETSER, 02023440, Adjutant General Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice M. Setser, Wife, Decatur, Arkansas.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant THOMAS E. STUART, 37065822, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section I, General Orders No. 38, dated 27 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant THOMAS E. STUART, 37065822, (then Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 June 1945. Sergeant STUART, ammunition and pioneer squad leader, was in charge of two rifle squads guarding a convoy moving rations, ammunition and equipment to front line troops. When the convoy was suddenly stopped by heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Sergeant STUART immediately deployed his men and led them to advantageous positions. He then directed concentrated fire which silenced the enemy who were concealed in heavy underbrush. Sergeant STUART, by his quick action and courage in the face of heavy enemy fire, was largely instrumental in eliminating the enemy resistance, making it possible for the convoy to proceed. Home address: Mrs. Alice H. Stuart, Mother, 611 North 2d Street, McGehee, Arkansas.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain WILLIAM C. MARR, 0435323, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 4, Section I, General Orders No. 34, dated 25 March 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain WILLIAM C. MARR, 0435323, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, in the vicinity of Payawan Rest House near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 16 June 1945 to 27 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary W. Marr, Wife, 3929 Cloverhill Road, Baltimore, Maryland.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class LEROY W. MILLER, 36811844, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6; as published on page 17, Section III, General Orders No. 33, dated 22 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class LEROY W. MILLER, 36811844, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, near Hucab, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 10 July 1945, the platoon of which Private MILLER is a member was advancing along a winding road when the enemy opened up with intense small arms fire from positions in a well prepared ambush. During the intense enemy fire which followed, three members of the platoon were wounded, including Private MILLER'S squad leader. Private MILLER a rifleman, immediately assumed command of the squad and directed the evacuation

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of the casualties. Private MILLER then eliminated the enemy, thereby enabling litter bearers to carry casualties to safety. Private MILLER'S leadership and display of courage under fire are exemplary of the highest traditions of the military service and are deserving of high praise. Home address: Mr. Walter Miller, Father, 411 Cottonwood Avenue, Hartland, Wisconsin.

Section III - Awards of Air Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant THOMAS J. CHALLONER, 01175073, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6; as published on page 3, Section IV, General Orders No. 40, dated 29 August 1944, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant THOMAS J. CHALLONER, 01175073, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olivia Challoner, Mother, 1020 13th Street North, Fargo, North Dakota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant SHANNON P. COX, JR., 01821001, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6; as published on page 2, Section III, General Orders No. 42, dated 31 August 1944, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant SHANNON P. COX, JR., 01821001, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Shannon P. Cox, Father, 1301 C Avenue, Lawton, Oklahoma.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant VINCENT W. EHMANN, 01174835, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 42, dated 31 August 1944, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant VINCENT W. EHMANN, 01174835, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth M. Ehmman, Wife, 109 Attica, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant GERALD L. KLINE, 0520750, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 42, dated 31 August 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant GERALD L. KLINE, 0520750, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 24 July 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Fred W. Kline, Father, Glidden, Iowa.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant TELFORD L. PEDERSON, 01821003, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 1, Section I, General Orders No. 29, dated 18 August 1944, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant TELFORD L. PEDERSON, 01821003, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 July 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth B. Pederson, Wife, 107 East 4th Street, Morris, Minnesota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant BAILEY E. SHRUM, 01821004, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 3, Section III, General Orders No. 42, dated 31 August 1944, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant BAILEY E. SHRUM, 01821004, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Arthur M. Shrum, Father, Box 531, Gilmer, Texas.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant ROBERT D. SWENSON, 01172307, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 6, Section IV, General Orders No. 43, dated 3 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant ROBERT D. SWENSON, 01172307, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Willhelmina E. Swenson, Mother, 151 6th Avenue, Moline, Illinois.

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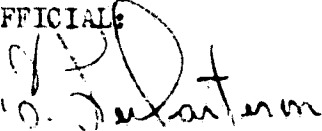
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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JOHN J. ZIRKLE, JR., 0413815, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published on page 6, Section IV, General Orders No. 43, dated 23 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25 WD 1942) as amended by Executive Order No. 9242 - A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49 WD 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant JOHN J. ZIRKLE, JR., 0413815, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over enemy territory on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 14 June 1945 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Francis B. Zirkle, wife, 105 Madison Street, Walsenburg, Colorado.

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Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943; USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended; and letter, Headquarters Sixth Army, file AG 200.6 A-10, subject: "Awards to Filipino Personnel", dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action on Luzon, Philippine Islands on the date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class Mariano Cruz, 6206, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 21 July 1945. Home address: Miss Juliana Cruz, Sister, Malolos, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. ✓

First Lieutenant Felix B. Godoy, 05083, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Teresa Sangco, Wife, San Miguel, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. ✓

Private Gelacio Hardin, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 16 July 1945. Home address: Miss Rosalina Hardin, Sister, Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija, Luzon, Philippine Islands. ✓

Second Lieutenant Daniel Maniquis, 06647, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 18 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Consolacion Rama, Mother, San Miguel, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. ✓

Private Pepito Roque, 6521, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 16 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Anacleto Pepito, Father, Catbalongan, Samar, Philippine Islands. ✓

Private Andres M. Soriano, 6580, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 20 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Pacifico Soriano, Brother, San Ildefonso, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. ✓

Corporal Apolinar Villarín, 5154, Infantry, Philippine Army. On 16 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maria Mangahas, Mother, San Ildefonso, Bulacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. ✓

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Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant RAY O. CATHEY, 37065864, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945, Sergeant CATHEY'S section of heavy machine guns was attached to a rifle company. The rifle company was advancing along Highway #4 supported by several half-track vehicles. A Japanese patrol, awaiting in dense undergrowth along the highway, permitted the point of the advance to pass by the ambush and then attacked the vehicles with satchel and pole charges. The enemy knocked out one half-track vehicle, inflicting several casualties among the occupants. Sergeant CATHEY, realizing the importance of evacuating the wounded men from the disabled vehicle with utmost speed, unhesitatingly advanced under intense sniper fire, accompanied by his platoon runner, and entered the vehicle several times, removing the wounded men to safety. Sergeant CATHEY'S courage under fire and his willingness to risk his life for others saved the lives of his wounded comrades and inspired all the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mrs. Etta Ann Cathoy, Mother, Route #4, Mammoth Springs, Arkansas.

Private First Class GEORGE J. PACIL, 32136056, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan Rest House, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945, a heavy machine gun platoon in which Private PACIL served as runner was attached to a rifle company. The rifle company was advancing along Highway #4 supported by several half-track vehicles. A Japanese patrol, awaiting in dense undergrowth along the highway, permitted the point of the advance to pass by the ambush and then attacked the vehicles with satchel and pole charges. The enemy knocked out one half-track vehicle, inflicting several casualties among the occupants. Private PACIL, accompanied by his section leader, unhesitatingly, advanced under intense enemy sniper fire, entered the disabled vehicle several times and removed the wounded men to safety. Private PACIL'S initiative and courage under fire and his willingness to risk his life for others saved the lives of his wounded comrades. His intense devotion to duty and his gallantry bring credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Daugostine Pacil, Father, 13 Burrill Avenue, Geneva, New York.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant CHARLES L. AARON, 01303280, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 March 1945, Lieutenant AARON, a self-propelled mount platoon leader, upon learning that three men had fallen wounded at the entrance of a strong enemy emplacement, organized and fearlessly led a squad of men through a severely contested area raked by enemy light and heavy machine gun and rifle fire in order to reach the wounded men. While exposed to enemy fire, he crawled forward, deployed his men and directed deadly counter fire into the enemy position, killing the ten Japanese occupants without sustaining a single casualty. Immediately thereafter Lieutenant AARON supervised the evacuation of the three casualties. Lieutenant AARON'S fearless aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. James Aaron, Father, 1614 Faxon Street, Memphis, Tennessee.

Captain MARVIN J. COONEN, 01291779, (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Bayanbayan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 10 - 11 March 1945, a rifle company which had been counterattacked several times was unable to reach or evacuate four wounded casualties because of the proximity of enemy troops and their relentless heavy machine gun and rifle fire. Captain COONEN, a cannon company commander, aggressively led a self-propelled mount over the crest of a hill. Seventy-five Japanese were encountered at a distance of thirty yards from his company perimeter. Calmly and accurately he directed a barrage of combined machine gun and artillery fire into the mass of enemy troops with such devastating effect that fifty-nine were killed and the remainder fled. As a result of this heroic action the rifle company was able to evacuate the wounded and reorganized for further attack. Captain COONEN'S intrepid actions under extremely hazardous conditions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Eileen Coonen, Wife, 235 Third Street, Menasha, Wisconsin.

Sergeant EARL L. HINES, 37710064, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. In the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945, the advance of Sergeant HINES' company was held up by fire from two well defended and perfectly concealed machine gun emplacements. Sergeant HINES as first sergeant of a loading rifle squad worked his way slowly forward, fully exposed to the enemy fire, and succeeded in reaching a point from which he located the emplacements and was able to bring automatic sub-machine gun fire upon the enemy and toss hand grenades into their midst. As a result of his fearless action the enemy emplacements were completely destroyed, enabling his company to again move forward. Sergeant HINES' soldierly qualities and courageous devotion to duty are most praiseworthy. Home address: Mrs. Earline Hines, Wife, 106 Robinson Avenue, Florence, Colorado.

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Corporal CLEMENT J. KLEIN, 37031999, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 17 June 1945 to 24 June 1945, Corporal KLEIN, a mortar gunner, was advancing with a rifle company upon a strongly fortified enemy hill. In the course of the attack the 81mm mortar positions were separated from the advancing rifle company by dense bamboo and jungle growth. Japanese snipers were active along the lines of communication. Corporal KLEIN constantly exposed himself to enemy rifle fire in order to check and maintain the telephone lines which led to the forward 81mm mortar observers. His constant and fearless devotion to duty helped bring quick and effective mortar fire on the enemy, thereby enabling the rifle company to secure its objective. Home address: Mr. Anton Klein, Father, Box 119, Balta, North Dakota.

Private First Class DEBBERT E. MILLS, 37214544, Medical Department, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945, a rifle company was meeting stiff resistance during an attack on an enemy strong-point. Several men were seriously wounded. Private MILLS, company aid man, went forward under intense enemy sniper fire to administer first aid to the wounded men who were lying in an exposed position. He was forced to take cover several times as the enemy fire struck near him but he succeeded in reaching the wounded and dragging them to a safe place behind a small ridge. He administered first aid and supervised the evacuation of the of the wounded to a battalion aid station. Private MILLS' courage and devotion to duty in face of intense enemy fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Dr. Roy L. Mills, Father, 125 South Charles, Wichita, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant HERSHALL T. RIGGINS, 37065738, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945, Sergeant RIGGINS, machine gun section leader, volunteered to help evacuate casualties sustained by a forward rifle company. While engaged in returning to the rear with the wounded, the carrying party of which he was a member received fire from an enemy automatic weapon. Sergeant RIGGINS immediately gave orders for the others to take cover. With disregard for his own safety, he crept through thick undergrowth to an advantageous position from which he was able to place fire upon the enemy and silence their gun. He then reorganized the carrying party and the party proceeded safely back to an aid station with the wounded. Sergeant RIGGINS' heroism not only saved the lives of the wounded men but was also an inspiration to his fellow soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Wilma Riggins, Wife, 4725 Adkins Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

First Lieutenant EPHRAIM ROBINSON, 01256426, Infantry, United States Army. Near Klangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 July 1945, Lieutenant ROBINSON was serving as forward observer for an 81mm mortar platoon which was attached to a forward rifle company. Just at dark a Japanese 81mm gun delivered direct fire into the defensive area of the company. Exposing himself to the enemy fire, Lieutenant ROBINSON quickly adjusted mortar fire on the hostile gun position which he had spotted by its flash. He then contacted a platoon of 4.2 mortars and scored them in on the target also. By massing a heavy concentration of mortar fire on the target in this fashion, the Japanese gun was soon silenced and the

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threat of suffering heavy casualties from the enemy artillery fire was eliminated. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant ROBINSON merit high praise. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Robinson, Wife, Box 264, RFD #1, Toms River, New Jersey.

First Sergeant ROBERT W. RUPP, 37031362, Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangnan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 July 1945, Sergeant RUPP was placed in charge of a battalion command post during an attack by his rifle company against the enemy. When radio communication to the leading elements of his company failed, he supervised the laying of telephone wire to the forward positions. Despite constant sniper fire, he succeeded in re-establishing communications. It was then possible to place mortar fire on the enemy positions, neutralizing them. As the company continued its advance, three men were wounded. Sergeant RUPP went to their aid. He applied a tourniquet to one of the wounded men and personally supervised his evacuation. After the company reached its objective, Sergeant RUPP led a security patrol forward and established outposts while his men dug in an all-around defensive position. Sergeant RUPP'S initiative and courageous devotion to duty reflect high credit both upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Louis Rupp, Father, 1019 Beach Avenue, Huron, South Dakota.

Private First Class FRED C. VAN DEVELDE, 34057699, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 18 June 1945 to 23 June 1945, Private VAN DEVELDE, a driver in a supply convoy, hauled food and ammunition to front line troops. He drove over mountainous roads winding through thick bamboo undergrowth to insure delivery of vital supplies to the front. Although he was subjected to several enemy ambushes, he continued with his hazardous work. During his trips between the front lines and supply points, Private VAN DEVELDE on several occasions cared for and evacuated wounded to the rear. Private VAN DEVELDE'S courageous devotion to duty was an inspiration to his fellows soldiers and brings credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Ed Van DeVelde, Father, 420 13th Street, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Private First Class WILLIAM W. WEST, 37076807, Infantry, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 18 June 1945 to 23 June 1945, Private WEST, a driver in a supply convoy, hauled food and ammunition to front line troops. He drove over mountainous roads winding through thick bamboo undergrowth to insure delivery of vital supplies to the front. Although he was subjected to several enemy ambushes, he continued with his hazardous work. During his trips between the front lines and supply points, Private WEST on several occasions cared for and evacuated wounded to the rear. Private WEST'S courageous devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men with whom he serves and reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. William W. West, Father, Middletown, Missouri.

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Section III - Awards of Bronze Star (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Corporal OSCAR D. CLARK, JR., 37076784, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 146, dated 23 July 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Corporal OSCAR D. CLARK, JR., 37076784, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 18 June 1945 to 23 June 1945. Corporal CLARK, a driver in a supply convoy, hauled food and ammunition to front line troops. He drove over mountainous roads winding through dense bamboo undergrowth to insure delivery of vital supplies to the front. Although he was subject to several enemy ambushes, he continued with his hazardous work. During his trips between the front lines and supply points, Corporal CLARK on several occasions cared for and evacuated wounded to the rear. Corporal CLARK'S courageous devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men with whom he serves and reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Oscar D. Clark, Sr., Father, Bellflower, Missouri.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant JOHN H. MC CABE, 35614762, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 24 dated 21 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant JOHN H. MC CABE, 35614762, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alma H. McCabe, Mother, Route #1, Mansfield, Ohio.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant OTTO O. SCHULTZ, 36254932, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 59, dated 25 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant OTTO O. SCHULTZ, 36254932, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands. At 2200 hours on 26 February 1945, the enemy staged a suicidal attack in an effort to drive the company of which Sergeant SCHULTZ is a member from an important hill position. The attack was timed with enemy artillery which opened fire at the commencement of the enemy charge. The concentration of enemy artillery fire

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was exceedingly heavy and it seemed impossible to stay on the hill in the face of both the artillery fire and the attacking infantrymen. Sergeant SCHULTZ, with disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself to the intense enemy fire, both artillery and small arms, in order to keep his light machine gun in action. The initial attack was repulsed, but the enemy tried three more attacks. Each time one of the important factors in repelling and driving off the enemy was the determination and efficiency of Sergeant SCHULTZ. A large number of enemy dead were found in front of Sergeant SCHULTZ' machine gun position after the final attempt to seize the hill was broken up. The bravery and devotion to duty shown by Sergeant SCHULTZ reflect the highest credit both upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mable Schultz, Mother, 1077 2d Avenue North, Park Falls, Wisconsin.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant LELAID G. TOLAND, 37030892, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section III, General Orders No. 51, dated 12 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9449, 4 February 1944 (See II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant LELAID G. TOLAND, 37030892, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the morning of 26 June 1945, the rifle company to which Sergeant TOLAND'S 81mm mortar squad was attached received an attack by a large enemy force. Sergeant TOLAND, the mortar squad leader, realizing that communications with a forward rifle company were out, immediately and without the help of fire orders, began to lay down a heavy mortar barrage on the advancing enemy. Sergeant TOLAND'S initiative, quick thinking and courage materially aided in halting the advance of the enemy and enabled the rifle company to maintain its position. Sergeant TOLAND'S soldierly qualities are worthy of much praise. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Toland, Mother, Cushing, Iowa.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HURDIS:

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COMPANY "A" and FIRST BATTALION ASSAULT TEAM, 1ST INFANTRY REGIMENT, are cited for extraordinary gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 January 1945, in Luzon, Philippine Islands.

On 27 January 1945, after eighteen (18) consecutive days of combat, Company "A" and the 1st Battalion Assault Team, 1st Infantry, were assigned the mission of seizing and securing Hill 70, in the Cabaruan Hills Area, Luzon, P.I. This strategic high ground was covered with heavy scrub growth, dense bamboo thickets and trees which afforded excellent observation and defensive positions to a doggedly defending enemy force. By-passing this position would have constituted a serious threat to the security of supply lines and rear installations. At 0800 hours, Company "A" and the Battalion Assault Team launched a coordinated attack, supported by artillery and mortar fire. Using white phosphorous grenades, flamethrowers, rocket launchers and demolitions, the assault platoons stormed up the open slopes of Hill 70 and, half way to the objective position, encountered withering sniper and cross fire from expertly camouflaged emplacements prepared months in advance. By employing demolition squads, bazooka teams and the Battalion Assault Team covered by heavy weapons, numerous enemy emplacements, fiercely defended and protected by five (5) feet of earth, clay and rock, were individually demolished, burned out and captured. The evacuation problem became critical due to swiftly exhausted medical supplies, insufficient litter bearers and continuous infiltration of snipers. Several by-passed undiscovered enemy light machine gun crews fired upon and caused heavy casualties to carrying parties. Jap artillery, mortar and grenade concentrations slowed the attack but could not stem the relentless advance of all platoons. Complete annihilation required savage hand-to-hand fighting and digging the enemy out of foxholes and emplacements which were not only deep, but which

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also had underground lateral extensions with blast walls, into which the enemy crawled during artillery and grenade bombardments, to emerge later unharmed. Displaying conspicuous gallantry and utter disregard for personal safety, the Battalion Assault Team alone wiped out eight (8) Japanese pillboxes. By the Company and Assault Team's heroic action in storming a strategic stronghold, Hill 70 was successfully seized and secured at 1800, 27 January 1945, ten (10) hours after the initial assault. Later reconnaissance of the severely contested area revealed a blackened, denuded stretch of shell torn earth, covered with Jap bodies and equipment. The indomitable fighting spirit, courage and scorn for personal safety displayed by all members of Company "A" and the 1st Battalion Assault Team, 1st Infantry Regiment, are most exemplary and reflect great honor upon the Armed Forces of the United States.

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Commanding Officers of units listed in this report

1. The following list of units together with the commanding officers' names has been approved by AFMPC as eligible for the Purple Heart Award:

- a. Bn Sp Tr, 6th Inf Div
- Bn Sp Co, 6th Inf Div
- MP Plat, 6th Inf Div
- 6th QM Coy
- 6th Sig Co
- 706th Ord LM Co
- 6th Cav Recon Tr Bn
- 113 Photo Interpreter Team
- 6th Order of Battle Team
- 6th CIC Det
- 1st Inf Regt
- 20th Inf Regt
- Hq & Hq Btry, 6th Div Arty
- Med Det, 6th Div Arty
- 1st PA Bn
- 2nd Plat (-3d Sec) 601st QM Graves Registration Co
- 6th Portable Surgical Hospital
- 1188 QM Service Co
- Team #2, 3073 Ord Serv Camp Co
- 2nd Plat, 678 QM Salvage Coll Co
- 51st PA Bn
- 80th PA Bn
- 6th Med Bn, Cbs A, B, and D, and Hq & Hq Det
- 6th Engr Bn, Hq & Serv Co, Co-A, Co-B, and Hq Det
- 11th Portable Surgical Hospital
- 15th Portable Surgical Hospital
- 124th Med Coll Co
- Det 3608 Ord (Hq) Co (Tr)
- 161st AAA AV Bn (-1)
- Co C 44th Tank Bn
- 198th AAA AV Bn
- Co B 727 Amph Tractor Bn
- Co A 715 Tank Bn
- Co D 98th Chem Mortal Bn
- 293d Joint Assault Sig Co
- Liaison Section, I Corps party
- Det Survey Plat 671 Engr Topo Co
- 33d Engr Boat and Shore Regt

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Co C 263d Med Bn  
622d Ord Am Co  
108th Ord Bomb Disposal Squad  
Det 198th QM Gas Sup Co  
48th Ord (RE) Co  
11th Air Support Party  
558th QM Rhd Co (-1 Plt)  
166th Amph Trk Co  
2nd Flt 36th MP Co  
Unit 4, 5250th Tech Intell Comp Co

b. 63rd Inf Regt  
53d FA Bn  
Co C, 6th Med Bn  
Co C, 6th Engr Bn

c. Hq Sp Tr, 6th Inf Div  
Hq & Hq Co, 6th Inf Div  
MP Plt, 6th Inf Div  
6th Sig Co  
6th QM Co  
706th Ord LI Co  
6th Rcn Tr Mecz  
1st Inf Regt  
63d Inf Regt, Cos A, B, C, and D, Hq & Hq Co 1st Bn  
1st FA Bn  
Det Div Arty  
Det 51st FA Bn  
Det 53d FA Bn  
Det 80th FA Bn  
6th Engr Bn, Hq & Serv Co, Cos A and C, and Med Det  
6th Med Bn, Cos A and D, Med Sup Det

2. Individuals of above units who landed with the organized waves at the places and during the times listed below are considered eligible for the award.

- a. Group a. -- Lingayen Gulf -- 0930I to 1049I, 9 Jan 45.
- b. Group b. -- Lingayen Gulf -- 0930I to 1300I, 10 Jan 45.
- c. Group c. -- Sansapor, D.N.G. -- 0700K to 0805K, 30 Jul 44.

3. a. Units of the 6th Infantry Division will forward to this headquarters with the least practicable delay, rosters of personnel who established eligibility under paragraph 2 above. Personnel qualified under two of the above paragraphs will be listed only once in rosters. These rosters will include the name of all personnel eligible regardless of their present assignment.

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Report that similar records be prepared by units  
at about the time they are no longer attached to the 6th Army  
and that such reports be forwarded direct to Commanding General.

Unit commanders will cause proper entries to be made on records  
of personnel eligible for the award, and notify the individuals of their  
awards. Where personnel are no longer assigned to units, the above  
awards will be forwarded to their last known address or to The  
Adjutant General, Washington 25, D.C.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HERRICK

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Section I - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provision of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant MAX E. ALLEN, 01303233, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 14 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Gilbert S. Allen, Father, Box 158, Distant, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant FRANKLIN A. BACHMACH, 01303831, Infantry, United States Army. On Northern Luzon, Philippine Islands from 26 July 1945 to 7 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys M. Bachmach, Wife, 14 Grosvenor Square, Schenectady, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade CLAYTON P. BAIRD, 36169180, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Grace L. Baird, Wife, RFD #1, Ava, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant HARRY BARENT, 37032143, (then Technician Third Grade), Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna Barent, Mother, Rockville, Nebraska.

First Lieutenant CHARLES P. BARNHART, 01300746, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 July 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lula Barnhart, Mother, 721 North Palm Street, Anaheim, California.

Technician Third Grade ALBERT J. BASILE, 32187691, Medical Department, United States Army. In Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 17 June 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Basile, Mother, 30 Ferry Street, Newark, New Jersey.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM J. BROCKER, 33292246, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 December 1944 to 30 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Brocker, Mother, Harrison Avenue, Penn, Pennsylvania.

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Captain ROCCO BRUNO, 01690235, Medical Corps, United States Army. In Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 November 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Bruno, Wife, 134 Englewood Avenue, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

First Sergeant AULTON A. CECIL, 6271829, Medical Department, United States Army. In the vicinity of Bayanbayan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 31 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. J. C. Holt, Mother, Route #1, Frankston, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade ROLAND CHEN, 39142378, (then Private First Class), Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Don Shee Chia, Mother, 1057 Pacific Avenue, San Francisco, California.

First Lieutenant LEON S. EMEL, 01895138, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 12 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sally Eyer, Wife, 1270 Grant Avenue, Bronx, New York.

Corporal GINO A. FAVERO, 32043463, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Favero, Mother, 1119 Fairfield Avenue, Niagara Falls, New York.

Staff Sergeant CARL H. FREESE, 37043814, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Freese, Wife, 311 East 7th Street, Muscatine, Iowa.

Private First Class JOHN W. FRIES, 37332970, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. J. R. Fynes, Father, 2056 South Lafayette, Denver, Colorado

Technician Fifth Grade FRANCIS L. GETILES, 35506262, (then Private First Class), Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 February 1945 to 5 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ella Getiles, Mother, 410 New Jersey Avenue, Wellston, Ohio.

First Lieutenant SAMUEL K. HUEI, 01541832, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. In the Southwest Pacific Area from 31 July 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ethel Hain, Wife, 3949 Warwick, Kansas City, Missouri.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade DUMFON A. HENNUM, W2110054, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Hennum, Wife, 211 Northwest 7th Street, Rochester, Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade OWEN L. HOWARD, 37061103, (then Private First Class), Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 February 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Miss Gladys Howard, Sister, Route #1, Danville, Arkansas.

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Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. JAJOLA, 35329722, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eva A. Jajola, Mother, 13501 Lurline Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

First Sergeant WILLIAM R. KIRKLAND, 37045280, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Kirkland, Wife, 829 Richmond Avenue, Ottumwa, Iowa.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM L. KLING, 01293070, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Kling, Mother, Lorman, Mississippi.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade THOMAS W. KNAPP, W2107077, United States Army. In New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 August 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irma L. Knapp, Wife, Apartment 3, Reinoking Apartments, Harvey, North Dakota.

Private First Class HENRY L. KUYKENDALL, 34122969, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Kuykendall, Wife, Route #1, Fletcher, North Carolina.

Captain CHARLES H. LARKIN, 01291136, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. LaRue F. Larkin, Wife, Box 51, Lagerstown, Maryland.

Technician Third Grade JAMES LAWSON, 37180917, Medical Department, United States Army. In Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 17 June 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Miss Lela H. Lawson, Sister, 6415 Lardoch St. Louis, Missouri.

Technical Sergeant RENNRO B. MATHEWS 38044282, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Mathews, Mother, 1703 South Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

Technical Sergeant CHARLES A. LUCAS, 37056877, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 10 June 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Lucas, Mother, 131 Weller Street, Macon, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH R. MC BROOM 34119944, Medical Department, United States Army. In Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 17 June 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie C. Blalock, Sister, 712 Edith Street, Durham, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD J. MC GUIRE, 37058936, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Rose Sudbrock, Mother, 3008 Eads Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.



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Technician Fourth Grade WARREN G. MC INTIRE, 35413819, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nellie, Mc Intire, Mother, 224 Thew Avenue, Marion, Ohio.

Technical Sergeant RODNEY A. MELCHERT, 37007301, (the Staff Sergeant), Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 17 June 1945. Home address Mr. Charles A. Melchert, Father, Drexel, Missouri.

First Lieutenant EMIL T. PETERSON, 01303022, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella P. Peterson, Wife, 13 Apollo Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM W. PHILLIPS, JR., 38171415, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. William W. Phillips, Jr., Wife, 4410 Plank Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL D. ROBBINS, 37040076, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Donald E. Robbins, Brother, Route #1, Davenport, Iowa.

Private First Class ALF W. RODD, 16021158, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 13 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Rodd, Mother, 761 West Davenport Street, Rhineland, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant FRED J. RUSH, 38066277, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. John J. Rush, Father, Box 128, Skellytown, Texas.

Technical Sergeant NORMAN O. SCHAU, 36201112, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucille J. Schaus, Wife, 3815 North 21st Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class CHARLES W. SHIKLES, 34581635, Infantry, United States Army. In the Sierra Madre Mountains, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Charley C. Shikles, Father, General Delivery, Vinemont, Alabama.

Private First Class GARDY SHOALMIRE, JR., 38522169, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 February 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie B. Shoalmire, Mother, Concerse, Louisiana.

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Staff Sergeant PAGE H. SIMPSON, 34130911, Infantry, United States Army. In Sierra Madre Mountains, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ellen F. Simpson, Mother, Waverly Perry Road, Columbus, Mississippi.

First Lieutenant JOHN G. STILLLEY, 01293331, Infantry, United States Army. In the Sierra Madre Mountains, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wilma Stillley, Wife, 1003 Touca Avenue, Alliance, Nebraska.

Captain GENE F. SWEPSTON, 0405018, Signal Corps, United States Army. In New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 2 March 1944 to 23 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. India B. Swopton, Wife, 544 Prospect Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN A. WEBSTER, JR., 33105267, (then Corporal), Medical Department, United States Army. In Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 17 June 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Webster, Mother, 2062 East Albright Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT B. WREMS, 37065166, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maysel Wrems, Mother, Route #3, Hope, Arkansas.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class ARTHUR C. KNUTH, 37030741, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 27, dated 24 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fifth Grade ARTHUR C. KNUTH, 37030741, (then Private First Class), Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 February 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Knuth, Mother, Route #2, Moonhead, Minnesota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain GEORGE SHARPE, 025053, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 12, dated 17 February 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Captain GEORGE SHARPE, 025353, (then First Lieutenant), Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 25 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sarah Ellen Sharpe, Mother, 2405 Jackson Avenue, Windsor, Pennsylvania.

Section III - Amendment of General Orders

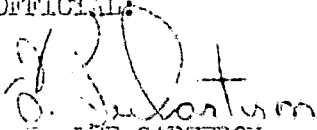
OK } So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 17, this headquarters, dated 4 March 1945 as pertains to Private First Class FRANK S. HIRNGLER, 33077773, Infantry, as reads: "15 January 1945" is amended to read: "16 January 1945".

OK } So much of section I, General Orders No. 55, this headquarters, dated 21 April 1945, as pertains to Technical Sergeant CLARENCE R. YERGEN, 6782386, Infantry, as reads: "19 January 1945" is amended to read: "18 January 1945".

OK } So much of section II, General Orders No. 177, this headquarters, dated 22 August 1945, as pertains to Captain ROBERT E. PHELPS, 024165, Infantry, as reads: "a Silver Star is awarded" is amended to read: "in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Captain ROBERT E. PHELPS, 024165, Infantry, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in section I, General Orders No. 41, 1 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded".

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant CLYDE R. BROWN, JR., 0551156, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Clyde R. Brown, Sr., Father, 1608 N. Fifth St., Monroe, Louisiana.

Corporal LELLOWYN L. CHUN, 34723929, (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 4 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Claude H. Chun, Mother, 120 Coleman Street, Cleveland, Mississippi.

Technical Sergeant JOHN M. CLEGGAN, 33457327, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ann Clark, Sister, 934 Cottage Street, Pockville, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant KENNETH D. DEVORE, 35027034, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jessie Devore, Mother, 311 Front Street, New Philadelphia, Ohio.

Sergeant THOMAS L. FARRIS, 33019478, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Lonnie Farris, Father, 446 West 6th Street, Longbeach, California.

Corporal JOHN J. FERAN, 37031272, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Joseph Foran, Father, 4306 Grande Avenue, Duluth, Minnesota.

Master Sergeant WILLIAM L. HOELL, 33019123, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nell V. Hoyle, Wife, Poteau, Oklahoma.

Corporal ROBERT W. KENNELL, 35164011, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Kennell, Wife, 945 Beacon Avenue, Los Angeles 15, California.

First Lieutenant RALPH E. KLINGGERMAN, 01179923, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred D. Klingerman, Wife, 5829 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Sergeant THOMAS E. LEDFORD, 7007974, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Annie E. Ledford, Wife, Box 324, Gastonia, North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade CLARE D. LUSE, 37043171, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hable M. Luse, Mother, 8 West Burlington Street, Iowa City, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND A. LUTZENBERGER, 36201519, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Lutzenberger, Mother, 1302 South 22d Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ORIN R. MATHEWS, 35034204, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Theresa Mathews, Mother, 999 Sunbury Road, Columbus, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS S. MC MICHAEL, 38018904, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mr. W. S. McMichael, Uncle, 1810 Northwest 3rd Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Captain RAYMOND MC SWANE, 0361191, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Habel McSwane, Wife, 607 Washington Avenue, Lawton, Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant PHILIP E. MORGAN, 0529851, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 19 July 1945 to 22 July 1945. Home address: Mr. John Morgan, Father, 303 West Main Street, Tecumseh, Oklahoma.

Captain THOMAS A. MOTTER, 01166572, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hona I. Motter, Mother, 1812 College Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Corporal WALTER A. MADBORALSKI, 36201673, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Agnes Madboralski, Mother, 3444 South 9th Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private First Class JAMES W. WALL, 34890934, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 4 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Juanita G. Wall, Mother, 806 Moose Street, Kannapolis, North Carolina.

Technician Third Grade LINLEE W. NEWELL, 39083089, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Newell, Mother, Box 263, Route 1, Healdsburg, California.

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Technical Sergeant CARL E. NORTH, JR 37038716, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Frances North, Wife, Box 254, Harvard, Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant KEITH E. OLSON, 37045767, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marvel G. Olson, Wife, 615 Freeborn Avenue, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS J. O'ROURKE, 37044026, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 July 1945 to 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice G. O'Rourke, Mother, 215 North 4th Street, Monticello, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade MARCE K. PAGE, 37065917, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ollie Page, Mother, Forty Four, Arkansas.

Corporal JAMES H. PARKS, 37015029, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Mauric E. Parks, Father, 1540 Poplar Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL E. RAGSDALE, 37009197, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 July 1945 to 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jovic A. Ragsdale, Mother, RFD #3, Marchfield, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES C. RAMSEY, 36644147, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Sidney Ramsey, Father, Box 235, McCamey, Texas.

Staff Sergeant GILBERT J. ROBBINS, 38006023, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ella E. Monte, Sister, Box 589, Hammond, Indiana.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT A. ROSENTHAL, 32096911, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Tessie Rosenthal, Mother, 456 Central Avenue, Cedarhurst, Long Island, New York.

Staff Sergeant BERNARD J. SCHOMISCH, 36201190, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Schomisch, Mother, Route #1, Chilton, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade HERMAN J. SIEMANTEL, 35130468, (then Corporal) Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Katherine Erockmeyer, Mother, 308 East 14th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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First Sergeant HARTLAND B. SODERHOLM, 36303180, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Soderholm, Mother, 3501 Park Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois.

Corporal WALLACE E. TISDALE, 37109795, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Fred H. Manslow, Mother, 301 Utica Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant FRANK C. VOGEL, 33032781, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. May Vogel, Wife, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade BENJAMIN G. WAGNER, 36201170, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lela E. Wagner, Mother, 163 East Main Street, Chilton, Wisconsin.

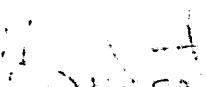
Second Lieutenant LESLIE E. WENDORF, 02037639, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Edgar Wendorf, Uncle, 358 Dudd Street, Hartford, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant PAUL E. WHITE, 36303652, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 1 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ella White, Mother, RFD #1, Lovington, Illinois.

Corporal DOUGLAS B. WILSON, 16094542, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 4 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ada Wilson, Mother, RFD #3, Atchison, Kansas.

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant CHARLES K. ASKLUND, 01175927, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. E. A. Asklund, Mother, 8209 Justine Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade MILTON A. BAKKE, 37093446, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Herman Bakke, Father, Alexandria, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS D. BARRUS, 37093473, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Eugene Barrus, Father, 323 2d Street North, Staples, Minnesota.

Private First Class JOHN H. BELL, JR., 38517900, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josey Bell, Mother, General Delivery, El Paso, Arkansas.

First Lieutenant FRANK E. CLARK, JR., 01167776, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank E. Clark, Sr., Father, Abingdon, Virginia.

Sergeant THOMAS K. CUNNINGHAM, 37071144, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ina Larson Cunningham, Wife, Atlantic, Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade ANDREW P. DOHERTY, 37082923, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Peter M. Doherty, Father, 4826 Sacramento Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

First Sergeant BRYANT I. DOUGLAS, 34083330, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Earline L. Douglas, Mother, 1015 Grant Street, Brunswick, Georgia.

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Master Sergeant HAROLD D. FEMBY, 20715679, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laura E. Feldt, Wife, 913 South 4th Street, Clinton, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade EDGAR W. FISHBURN, 37504871, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Juanita Barnhill, Sister, 2813 South Jewett, Wichita, Kansas.

Captain ELMER P. FOSTER, 0420468, Signal Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. June D. Foster, Wife, 1555 Odell Street, Apartment 96, Bronx, New York.

Sergeant KEITH D. GARLAND, 34723977, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Willie H. Garland, Mother, 602 South Washington, Brownsville, Tennessee.

Sergeant VIRGIL E. HAMBURG, 17027319, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret E. Hallberg, Wife, Charles City, Iowa.

Second Lieutenant JAY E. HAZELWOOD, 02007361, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maggie C. Hazelwood, Mother, Route #2, Wichita Falls, Texas.

First Sergeant RAY L. FEME, 16094490, (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 July 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Leone Henk, Mother, RFD #1, Menasha, Wisconsin.

Technician Fourth Grade CARL H. KLUSMEYER, 38018950, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Charlie J. Klusmeyer, Father, Route #2, Binger, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY J. KOEHNSTEDT, 37082046, (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cecelia Koehmstedt, Mother, Dresden, North Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL LIPPS, 35440341, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Audrey L. Lipps, Wife, 520 Highland Avenue, Vienna, West Virginia.

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Technician Fifth Grade HAYES P. MC EROY, 38381047, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 July 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie McEroy, Mother, 525 Liberty Street, Houma, Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant GRANT H. MC KEEMAN, 6986198, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Galdays McKeeman, Wife, Waiden, Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade ANDREW I. MC LAUGHLIN, 18019297, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hona M. McLaughlin, Mother, 2205 Buchanan Street, Amarillo, Texas.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade ANTHONY C. MUZZARELLI, W2125911, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Irene Muzzarelli, Wife, Tonica, Illinois.

Corporal HARRY M. OWENS, 36040367, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Owens, Mother, RFD #1, Ohio, Illinois.

Private First Class FRED W. PASSOW, 36255054, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 June 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Fred B. Passow, Father, 715 Forest Street, Wausau, Wisconsin.

Private First Class HAROLD PEARSON, 33096442, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Pearson, Mother, 1408 Girard Street, NW, Washington, D. C.

Staff Sergeant ROWLAND J. PETERSEN, 37071150, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Laverne Petersen, Wife, RFD #3, Denison, Iowa.

First Lieutenant ROLAND R. FULLER, 01177596, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Winifred E. Fuller, Wife, 6342 Vickery Boulevard, Dallas, Texas.

Master Sergeant ERNEST L. REINHART, 33076108, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Claude Reinhart, Father, 48 West 3d Street, Pottstown, Pennsylvania.



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Staff Sergeant ADOELI H. SACHTELEBYN, 37075294, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Arthur Doelling, Cousin, Addieville, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant JEFFERSON A. SHERLIN, 6287492, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Grover C. Sherlin, Father, Route #6, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Captain HAROLD W. SHOEMAKER, 0405227, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 July 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harold W. Shoemaker, Wife, Box 58, Fenton, Michigan.

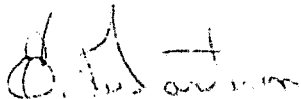
Sergeant EDWIN P. SPAKOSKI, 36253093, (then Corporal), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 June 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Spakoski, Mother, 736 South Third Avenue, Wausau, Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant ARTHUR D. VERHAEGHE, 37015121, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 8 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Alfons Verhaeghe, Father, RFD #3, Olathe, Kansas.

Technical Sergeant DARWIN D. WESER, 35440342, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 10 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louise E. Weser, Wife, 1905 9th Avenue, South Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
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Section I - awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade CLEMENT W. ALULIS 35082910, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Walda Skotis, Mother, 362 Crawford Avenue, Maple Shade, New Jersey. ✓

Private First Class G. W. ARNOLD, 38480407, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 31 July 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Arnold, Mother, Route #3, Huntington, Texas. ✓

Technician Third Grade GLEN E. BAYES, 37037047, Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Perry G. Bayes, Father, Glenwood, Iowa. ✓

Staff Sergeant FLOYD E. BUFFINGTON, 6862356, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lois Buffington, Wife, 1009 Rittenhouse Street, Des Moines, Iowa. ✓

Staff Sergeant DAVID T. BURCE, 36303446, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maud Burge, Mother, Latham, Illinois. ✓

First Sergeant BERNARD T. CASSIDY, 35024874, (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Cassidy, Mother, 2098 West 38th Street, Cleveland, Ohio. ✓

Captain GEORGE E. COCHRANE, 01171949, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. C. W. Baumann, Mother, 607 5th Street, Devils Lake, North Dakota. ✓

Corporal JEROME T. DAHL, 37451782, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Sorbel, Mother, 65 East Rolland Street, Tracy, Minnesota. ✓

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Staff Sergeant VINCENT J. DE VINGO, 32158991, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Constance De Vingo, Wife, 164 Scotland Road, Orange, New Jersey. ✓

Staff Sergeant RUSSELL F. DICKEY, 37015076, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Godlier B. Dimoush, Mother, 1416 Indiana, Kansas City, Missouri. ✓

Sergeant JOHN R. FORD, 34623609, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Velma C. Ford, Mother, Taylorsville, Mississippi.

First Lieutenant ROLLAND J. FREESE, 01180898, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Paul Freese, Mother, 2716 Weisser, Park Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana. ✓

Sergeant OKEY W. GOLDSMITH, 35210053, (the Corporal), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Grey Goldsmith, Wife, RFD #1, Burnsville, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant MINORU HARA, 18184273, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Benji Hara, Brother, 542 West 112th Street, New York 25, New York. ✓

Sergeant CLARENCE E. HENSON, 35164302, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. C. A. Shaver, Sister, Route #1, Box 126, Greensport, Indiana. ✓

Technician Fifth Grade CLEO E. HILL, 38534798, Field Artillery, United States. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Hill, Wife, Greenville, Texas. ✓

First Lieutenant ANDY F. HOBBS, 01182144, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Effie Hobbs, Mother, 122 Allen Street, Midvale, Utah. ✓

Master Sergeant DWAIN A. JOHNSON, 17027310, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Henry Medaus, Grandmother, Klemme, Iowa. ✓

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH L. JOHNSON, 35164218, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles A. Johnson, Father, 429 Jackson Street, Gary, Indiana. ✓

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Technician Third Grade MICHAEL S. KALINSACK, 32047650, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marian W. Kalinsack, Wife, Lake Placid, New York. ✓

Staff Sergeant KARL W. KAUFFMAN, 37015063, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Kauffman, 324 Belmont Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri. ✓

Staff Sergeant NORMAN W. KRABBEHOFF, 37023903, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lucy D. Krabberhoft, Apartment #1903, Lee Avenue, Ogden Meadows, Vancouver, Washington. ✓

Corporal WILBERT L. LANDRY, 34078219, Infantry, United States Army. In the Sierra Madre Mountains, Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lizzie Folse, Mother, Route #1, Box 427, White Castle, Louisiana. ✓

Technician Fourth Grade RALPH E. LOWE, 35048390, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Maxine Lowe, Wife, 103 East Liberty Street, Ashlund, Ohio. ✓

Staff Sergeant DONALD R. MC KENZIE, 37093387, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 6 June 1945 to 3 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Norma E. Mc Kenzie, Wife, Route #1, Litchfield, Minnesota. ✓

Master Sergeant BENJAMIN F. PAUL, 33078859, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wilma K. Paul, Wife, Greensboro Star Route, Waynesberg, Pennsylvania. ✓

Technician Third Grade MARTIN E. PRIGGE, 37059526, Finance Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 10 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha Johanna Prigge, Mother, 6944 Plymouth Avenue, University City, Missouri. ✓

Second Lieutenant OTIS W. RANKIN, 02007723, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ruby L. Rankin, Wife 1004 South Second Street, Lawton, Oklahoma. ✓

Chief Warrant Officer CLINE R. RENAKER, W2118135, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eva L. Renaker, Wife, 516 Martin Avenue, Des Moines 13, Iowa. ✓

Staff Sergeant HARRY M. RINGOEN, 37081566, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ellen Ringoen, Mother, Blaisdell, North Dakota. ✓

Staff Sergeant ELISIO F. SCIULLO, 33076627, (then Sergeant), Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Angeline Sciuillo, Mother, 1600 Broadhead Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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Master Sergeant CHARLES A. VOGEL, 37059601 (then Technical Sergeant), Finance Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edward Engelage, Mother, 500 Wabash Avenue, Belleville, Illinois. ✓

Staff Sergeant RALPH E. WARRINER, 37045756, (then Technician Fourth Grade) Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 30 June 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Howard Elmer Warriner, Father, Route #1, Grenada, Minnesota. ✓

Staff Sergeant CONDOL M. WOOD, 37045682, (then Technician Third Grade), Medical Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Walter A. Wood, Father, Route #1, Luverne, Iowa. ✓

Technician Fifth Grade ELMER C. YETTER, 36515057, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Max Yetter, Father, 4604 Beniteau, Detroit, Michigan.

Section II - Amendment of General Orders

*No action taken - previously revoked by GO 123, 7 Sep 45*

OK { So much of Section II, General Orders No. 177, this headquarters, dated 28 August 1945 as pertains to Captain ROBERT E. PHELPS, 024165, Infantry, as reads: "a Silver Star is awarded" is amended to read: "in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Captain ROBERT E. PHELPS, 024165, Infantry, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 41, this headquarters, dated 1 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded".

*No action taken - previously revoked by GO 125 - June 30, 1945*

So much of Section III, General Orders No. 120, this headquarters, dated 26 June 1945 as pertains to Private First Class DONALD M. EBERT, 36907040, Infantry, is hereby revoked.

OK { So much of Section I, General Orders No. 56, this headquarters, dated 22 April 1945 as pertains to Lieutenant Colonel FRANCIS J. CORBIN, 0363865, Infantry, as reads: "9 April 1945" is amended to read: "13 March 1945".

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR  
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Section I - Award of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class TILFORD C. CANTRELL, 34913017, (then Private), Infantry, United States Army. On the night of 24 March 1945, Private CANTRELL, a member of a five-man patrol, was proceeding under cover of darkness on a scouting mission in the direction of Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands. After advancing about three hundred yards from high ground into a valley, the terrain became generally flat, cut with deep gullies and spotted with brush and dense growths of tall grass which offered excellent concealment for the enemy. Approaching an open rice paddy, Private CANTRELL moved into the lead. When about half way across the paddy, an enemy flare shot from a wooded gully exposing him to view. Immediately after the flare burned out, he was rushed by a screaming Japanese, later identified as a Captain, who lunged upon him with fixed bayonet and attempted to beat him to the ground. Although wounded and stunned, Private CANTRELL clutched the rifle of the Japanese soldier in one hand, struggled from his grasp, then slugged him over the head and shot him. In the darkness that made observation difficult, he was simultaneously attacked by three other of the enemy. Springing to one side in a crouch he escaped the direct thrust of a bayonet that ripped through his jacket. Then, quickly swinging about, with three rapid and accurately placed shots, he killed them all. Being separated by several yards from the rest of his patrol, he continued to fire at others of the enemy who came stalking upon him. When an unestimated number of them revealed their nearby location with loud jabbering, he hurled two hand grenades into their midst, either killing or wounding several more. Crawling over to another member of the patrol who had moved forward and was fighting a few yards from him, he continued to assist in beating off and completely routing a numerically superior enemy force, estimated to number more than twenty. Later inspection revealed that the enemy were well equipped with high explosive charges, heavy grenades and bangalore torpedoes, and possessed a detailed map showing locations of our supplies, gun positions and command post. Private CANTRELL'S tenacious fighting determination was instrumental in saving the remainder of his patrol from annihilation and his actions prevented an organized enemy attack upon his company and battalion areas. Home address: Mrs. Eda Stokes Cantrell, Wife, Route #3, Parsons, Tennessee.

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Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant GEORGE W. BROWNSON, 0363124, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 25 April 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. June D. Brownsen, Wife, 832 N. Genesse Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Master Sergeant ELLSWORTH J. ERICKSON, 6862881, (then Sergeant), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 May 1945 to 25 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Edward Erickson, Father, Argyle, Minnesota.

Captain KENNETH L. ETTENSON, 0319133, Inspector General Department, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Ettenson, Mother, 5315 N. Paulina Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Captain CHARLES F. HANKS, JR, 0380097, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Inez E. Hanks, Wife, 801 S. Mercer Avenue, Bloomington, Illinois.

Captain JOHN G. HEMPILL, 0354636, Veterinary Corps, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 14 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy E. Hempill, Wife, 1014 W. Main Street, Norman, Oklahoma.

First Lieutenant CHARLES J. PRIBONICH, 01039859, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 December 1944 to 1 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Doris Pribonich, Wife, Box 1266, Neowatin, Minnesota.

Technical Sergeant NORMAN W. SCHELLHAS, 37026271, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy G. Schellhas, Wife, 606 Main Street, Winona, Minnesota.

Captain JAMES F. SCHMIDT, 0442411, Infantry, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 1 April 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mr. Jacob A. Schmidt, Father, Catherine Route, Hays, Kansas.

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Warrant Officer Junior Grade JAMES F. SHEA, W2127631, (then Technical Sergeant), United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 9 January 1945 to 29 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Fleming, Sister, 419 82d Street, Brooklyn 9, New York.

Captain THOMAS J. STEARNS, O1170207, ADC, (Field Artillery), United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 May 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Auverne Stearns, Mother, 805 Fairmont Avenue, St. Paul 5, Minnesota.

Technician Third Grade SAMUEL TRON, 36515050, Infantry, United States Army. At Sansapor, Dutch New Guinea and on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 12 September 1944 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Miss Molly Tron, Sister, 1926 W. Euclid, Detroit, Michigan.

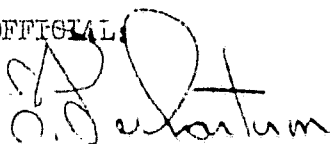
Section III - Award of the Purple Heart

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943 and USAFFE Regulations 10-50, as amended, a Purple Heart for wounds received in action in the Cabaruan Hills, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 22 January 1945 is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM FRANKLIN, JR., 13150625, Signal Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mr. William H. Franklin, Father, 1118 Borwind Road, Wynnwood, Pennsylvania.

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- SECTION IV - AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)

Section I - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43 WD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain PERRY R. ELLSWORTH, O169089, Field Artillery, United States Army. Near Mount Puloy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 August 1945, Captain ELLSWORTH was serving as artillery liaison officer at a forward observation post located immediately in the rear of an attacking Philippine Army company. Having directed an artillery preparation on the objective, he was ready to fire on targets of opportunity when an enemy machine gun suddenly opened fire on the observation post group. One man was seriously wounded and fell in a fire-swept area. With complete disregard for his own safety, Captain ELLSWORTH left his covered position and ran thirty yards across open terrain under fire to an unmanned light machine gun. He took over the gun and opened fire on the enemy, neutralizing the enemy fire long enough to permit the evacuation of the wounded man. His gallant action in the face of hostile fire reflects highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. P. F. Ellsworth, Father, 2852 Coleridge Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Private First Class ROBERT L. GUM, 37724470, Field Artillery, United States Army. Near Mount Puloy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 August 1945, Private GUM was serving as a lineman in an artillery liaison party at a forward observation post located immediately in the rear of an attacking Philippine Army company. An enemy machine gun suddenly opened fire on the observation post group, seriously wounding one man who fell in a fire-swept area. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private GUM left his covered position and dashed thirty yards across open terrain under fire to an unmanned light machine gun. He opened fire on the enemy position and aided in neutralizing the enemy fire long enough to permit the evacuation of the wounded man. His gallant action in the face of hostile fire reflects highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mattye L. Gum, Wife, 307 East 13th Street, Larned, Kansas.

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Major JAMES D. LIERMAN, 0380106, Field Artillery, United States Army. Near the barrio of Mungayang, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 23 July 1945 to 2 August 1945, while acting in the capacity of commander of a provisional artillery battalion consisting of two artillery batteries in action on the flank of the enemy, Major LIERMAN skillfully directed the fire of his howitzers and also made frequent observation flights by cub plane. The plane was flown at dangerously low altitudes in turbulent weather in order to gain information of enemy dispositions. On the evening of 26 July 1945, Major LIERMAN led a small party under cover of darkness to investigate a report of a large enemy patrol near the barrio of Mungayang. His party located an enemy observation post and he directed fire by flash and sound on the enemy positions. The mission was successfully accomplished and the party withdrew under cover of darkness along roads constantly subject to infiltration attacks. The gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by Major LIERMAN were an inspiration to all the officers and men under his command. Home address: Mrs. Isabel Lierman, wife, c/o Mr. A. J. Parks, Minonk, Illinois.

Section II - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fourth Grade MERLE W. RICHEY, 35024981, Field Artillery, United States Army. On Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 June 1945 to 14 July 1945. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucilo Edna Phillips, Sister, 135-01 Hillside Avenue, Richmond Hills, Queens, New York.

Section III - Awards of Bronze Star Medal

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade LOUIS J. AVERSANO, 36692626, (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army. Technician AVERSANO, a wireman, accompanied a field artillery battalion moving forward near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945 as a member of a forward observer party. During the advance under heavy knee mortar and sniper fire, Technician AVERSANO was wounded in the leg by an enemy sniper. Despite his wound, he insisted that he was able to continue on his mission. Upon reaching the objective the artillery party and the infantry were again subjected to enemy

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small arms fire. Technician AVERSAJO was again wounded. He continued to assist in establishing communications until aid men were able to evacuate him. His intense devotion to duty reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Irene Aversano, Wife, 3618 W. Shakespeare, Chicago, Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH C. BARTON, 37119357, (then Corporal), Field Artillery, United States Army. In an engagement at Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 1 June 1945, Technician BARTON, during the absence of a forward observer, took command and adjusted artillery fire upon an enemy strongpoint which was holding up the advance of infantry elements. His coolness, skill and aggressiveness while under fire from automatic weapons were determining factors in bringing effective artillery fire upon the enemy position, softening it up for the infantry troops. Technician BARTON'S intense devotion to duty was an inspiration to all the men with whom he serves. Home address: Mr. Earl V. Barton, Father, 1305 Fairview Avenue, Wichita, Kansas.

First Lieutenant DINK A. CREW, 0531686, Field Artillery, United States Army. During an advance of infantry troops near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 June 1945, Lieutenant CREW, an artillery forward observer, by his accurate direction of artillery fire, neutralized the enemy to such an extent that our troops were able to seize their objective. In an effort to secure better observation, Lieutenant CREW crawled under intense enemy fire to a high position at the top of a hill. From this exposed observation point, he was able to bring accurate artillery fire on the enemy and again aid in the capture of additional ground by our troops. His devotion to duty reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. L. D. Crew, Mother, Rockford, Alabama.

Sergeant PETO A. MARINICK, 38432288, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. Near Kiangang, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 August 1945, Sergeant MARINICK was acting squad leader of an assault squad of an attacking rifle platoon. When his squad was ambushed and his lead scout seriously wounded, Sergeant MARINICK, with complete disregard for his own safety, exposed himself to intense sniper and small arms fire in order to crawl forward and evacuate the wounded man to a place of safety. Sergeant MARINICK then located the enemy positions and directed mortar fire upon them. After the positions were destroyed, he served as lead scout until the company reached its final objective. Sergeant MARINICK'S loyalty and devotion to duty were a source of great inspiration to all the men with whom he served. Home address: Mrs. Amelia Marinick, Mother, 5201 Reiger, Dallas, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade CLAIR E. MILLER, 33683991, Field Artillery, United States Army. About 0400 hours on 9 August 1945 in the vicinity of Hapao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, elements of an infantry regiment were driven from a ridge commanding high ground by a fierce enemy counterattack. The enemy force consisted of approximately one hundred and fifty Japanese using

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knee mortars, hand grenades, machine gun and small arms fire. Technician MILLER, a radio operator in a forward observer party carried a radio up a hill which had been made extremely muddy and slippery by heavy rainfall the previous evening. With disregard for his own safety, Technician MILLER advanced over this hazardous terrain under enemy machine gun and sniper fire in order to gain a position on an exposed flank of the hill. After considerable difficulty in establishing communication with a battalion fire direction center, he remained at his radio until the artillery missions had been fired. As a result of Technician MILLER'S devotion to duty the enemy counterattack was frustrated and the threat to the entire position averted. His courage under fire reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary V. Miller, Mother, RD #7, Erie, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade ANTHONY V. PETTIT, 36475371, (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army. Near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 27 June 1945, Technician PETTIT, a wireman with a field artillery battalion, accompanied an artillery observer in order to serve as a radio operator. While climbing a steep hill to reach a better observation post, Technician PETTIT received a painful shoulder wound from the bullet of an enemy sniper. Unable to continue up the hill, he was cut off from his party. Despite his wound, he assembled his radio and transmitted fire commands which were called to him by the artillery observer who had gained a position on higher ground twenty five yards beyond. Technician PETTIT transmitted the fire commands in a highly efficient manner for two hours until another member of the forward observer party was able to reach his position and relieve him. Technician PETTIT'S courageous devotion to duty merits high praise. Home address: Mrs. Jessie Pettit, Mother, RFD #2, Grandville, Illinois.

Captain ALLEN G. SPREITZER, 0467241, Field Artillery, United States Army. In the vicinity of Admantog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 August 1945, Captain SPREITZER was serving as an artillery liaison officer with an infantry battalion. His courageous action under fire was instrumental in enabling an infantry company to advance through strongly fortified positions to take an important objective with extremely light casualties. The company, early in its advance up the objective hill, was pinned down by fire from two heavy machine guns and heavy small arms fire. Captain SPREITZER moved immediately to the flank, drawing the machine gun fire toward himself and reached a point from which he could locate the enemy guns. He successfully directed artillery fire on the machine guns while exposed to their fire. Both guns were completely destroyed. His prompt and cool action under intense fire enabled the infantry company to continue the attack and greatly reduced the number of casualties of the attacking force. His heroic conduct was an inspiration to all the men with whom he served. Home address: Mr. John Spreitzer, Father, 4841 Goethe Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

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First Lieutenant ROLAND WADSWORTH, JR., 02037638, Field Artillery, United States Army. During the battle for Pingkian in the Cagayan Valley, Luzon, Philippine Islands, Lieutenant WADSWORTH performed duties as an artillery forward observer with infantry assault companies. On 14 June 1945 he requested that he be allowed to accompany the advance platoon of an infantry company in an attack up a steep ridge. Upon nearing the top of the ridge, the platoon was halted by intense machine gun fire. Lieutenant WADSWORTH, although held to the ground with the other men of the platoon, adjusted artillery fire by sound on the reverse side of the slope and broke up the Japanese defenses. Upon gaining the crest of the ridge, he searched the entire area for targets of opportunity and fired constantly until darkness prevented further observation. In one instance he killed, by actual count, fifty-five Japanese with two artillery concentrations. His knowledge of the use of artillery and excellent judgment in employing supporting fire was of immeasurable value in lightening the task of the infantry troops. Lieutenant WADSWORTH'S courageous and intense devotion to duty reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Fern Wadsworth, Mother, 727 Indlow Street, Hamilton, Ohio.

Section IV - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fifth Grade JACOB J. GUMS, 37296514, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section III, General Orders No. 26, dated 23 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fifth Grade JACOB J. GUMS, 37296514, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 June 1945 to 10 August 1945. Home address: Mr. John Gums, Father, Route #1, Medina, North Dakota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH W. HARRIS, 34575970, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section III, General Orders No. 26, dated 23 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH W. HARRIS, 34575970, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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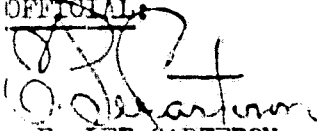
During heavy fighting near Kiangan, Technician HARRIS was serving as a wireman with an artillery forward observer party on 3 June 1945. The infantry company to which the forward observer party was attached had just taken a hill and was digging in when enemy mortars opened fire on the company. The wire line to the artillery battalion in the rear which Technician HARRIS had laid previously was knocked out by the enemy mortars. On his own initiative and without regard to his personal safety, Technician HARRIS crawled outside the friendly defensive perimeter and repaired the wire line while under fire, thereby establishing communications to the rear. As a result of his courageous act, the forward observer was again able to direct artillery fire which silenced the enemy mortars. Technician HARRIS' courage and intense devotion to duty merit high praise. Home address: Mr. George G. Harris, Father, Duena Vista Road, Route #2, Columbus, Georgia.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain JIMMIE C. SMITH, JR., 0404493, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section VI, General Orders No. 46, dated 5 September 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain JIMMIE C. SMITH, JR., 0404493, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 June 1945 to 15 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Eleanor Smith, Wife, 1908 Carey Place, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL - POSTHUMOUSLY  
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Section I - Award of Bronze Star Medal - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944) a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant MALCOLM H. DAVIS 39341404, Infantry, United States Army. As an assistant squad leader Sergeant DAVIS was leading a platoon whose objective was to secure and hold a ridge commanding a road near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 June 1945. The platoon was caught in an ambush of enemy machine gun fire followed by heavy sniper fire as it advanced up rocky and precipitous terrain. Two men fell wounded from the first burst of enemy machine gun fire. Although the platoon was surrounded by the enemy and the rescue of the wounded men seemed impossible, Sergeant DAVIS, alone, advanced on the enemy machine gun position nearest the wounded men. Firing his automatic rifle as he dashed to the aid of the casualties, Sergeant DAVIS reached the wounded men and pulled them to a position affording cover from which they could be safely evacuated. Continuing to lay down an intense volume of automatic rifle fire, he forced the enemy machine gun crew to withdraw. His platoon was then able to renew contact with rear elements. His action, executed at great personal risk, not only contributed to saving the lives of his fellow soldiers but also served the tactical purpose of permitting the platoon to break out of an untenable position. Sergeant DAVIS was killed in a subsequent action. His heroic conduct merits high praise. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy T. Davis, Wife, 716 F Street, Springfield, Oregon.

Section II - Awards of Bronze Star Medal (Oak-Leaf Cluster)

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant DAY E. DICKINSON, 37038548, by the Commanding General 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 24, dated 21 July 1944, a second bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant DAY E. DICKINSON, 37038548, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of the Ibulao River crossing, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 14 August 1945 at 2200 hours, an urgent

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message was received from a portable surgical hospital requesting blood plasma for a critically wounded patient. Due to heavy rains, streams were swollen and roads and bridges were washed out, making it impossible to use vehicles as transportation. Sergeant DICKINSON, a platoon sergeant of an intelligence and reconnaissance platoon, volunteered to make a night march across rugged and unoccupied country, a distance of more than a mile. He passed beyond friendly perimeters and returned with the much needed plasma. By running almost continuously, the round trip was completed within fifty minutes, despite heavy rains, precipitous terrain and complete darkness. Sergeant DICKINSON'S heroic accomplishment reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Leo Brandel, Uncle, Fowling Route, Alliance, Nebraska.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant BERNARD J. FEHELEY, 35506997, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 62, dated 30 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant BERNARD J. FEHELEY, 35506997, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Montalban, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 26 February 1945. Under cover of a large concentration of artillery fire, the enemy tried to assault and drive his infantry company from advantageous high ground overlooking one of the main enemy supply lines. The attack had been repulsed on the first attempt but breaking it up had depleted our supply of hand grenades and 60mm mortar shells. With disregard for his personal safety and under an intense artillery barrage which inflicted a considerable number of casualties on his company, Sergeant FEHELEY left his position to go through enemy-held territory to reach another friendly company on the flank and secure grenades and 60mm mortar ammunition. The ammunition arrived just in time to use in repulsing a large force of the enemy staging another counter-attack. The determination and courage displayed by Sergeant FEHELEY enabled his company to hold its key position. Home address: Mr. Edward M. Feheley, Father, 62 Murray Street, Binghamton, New York.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade ERNEST FICHTINGER, 37057680, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 24, dated 21 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fourth Grade ERNEST FICHTINGER, 37057680, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States at Munoz, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. In the absence of a battalion surgeon, Technician FICHTINGER took charge of a battalion aid station. He received twenty-six casualties in forty-five minutes. The aid station was exposed at that time to enemy artillery

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and sniper fire. Without regard for his personal safety, he personally supervised and aided in the treatment of the casualties, sixteen of whom were serious litter cases. His cool, efficient and courageous performance of duty resulted in the saving of the lives of many and alleviated the suffering of all the casualties. Technician FICHTINGER'S devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men with whom he served and his action reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Clara Fichtinger, Mother, 5536 Plover Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant JOHN F. MAGER, 37031203, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 61, dated 28 April 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 2 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant JOHN F. MAGER, 37031203, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. During an enemy counterattack near Payawan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945, Sergeant MAGER, a machine gun platoon sergeant, crawled from the shelter of his foxhole in order to distribute coordinated machine gun and mortar fire on the attacking enemy force. When a member of his platoon was hit by an enemy sniper, Sergeant MAGER immediately manned the gun of the wounded man and kept it in action while the wounded man was removed to a place where medical aid was administered. Sergeant MAGER'S heroism, courage and devotion to duty materially helped to route the enemy and were a great inspiration to all the men with whom he served. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Mager, Mother, Mckinock, North Dakota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Third Grade RAYBURN C. PAYNE, 39857565, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section II, General Orders No. 136, dated 14 July 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Third Grade RAYBURN C. PAYNE, 39857565, (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Technician PAYNE accompanied a patrol as aid man on a five-day reconnaissance into enemy-held territory from 13 to 19 July 1945 in the vicinity of Ambabok, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the last day of the patrol a forward line company was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. One man was seriously wounded and, since immediate evacuation was impossible because of extremely difficult terrain, the patient was treated in the field for twenty hours by Technician PAYNE. The following day the patrol was called

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in and Technician PAYNE supervised the evacuation of the wounded man over seven miles of extremely difficult mountainous terrain. His actions saved the life of the wounded soldier. Home address: Mrs. Bertha B. Shartzel, Mother, 32 East Michigan Drive, Tucson, Arizona.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class CLARENCE E. WANN, 37624309, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APC 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 24, dated 21 July 1944, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class CLARENCE E. WANN, 37624309, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of the Ibulao River crossing, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On the night of 14 August 1945 at 2200 hours, an urgent message was received from a portable surgical hospital requesting blood plasma for a critically wounded patient. Due to heavy rains, streams were swollen and roads and bridges were washed out, making it impossible to use vehicles as transportation. Private WANN, a scout in an intelligence and reconnaissance platoon, volunteered to make a night march across rugged and unoccupied country, a distance of more than a mile. He passed beyond friendly perimeters and returned with the much needed plasma. By running almost continuously, the round trip was completed within fifty minutes, despite heavy rains, precipitous terrain and complete darkness. Private WANN'S heroic accomplishment reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ruby Wann, Wife, Elvins, Missouri.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Third Grade GERALD J. WILHELMY, 37089013, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 114, dated 18 June 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Third Grade GERALD J. WILHELMY, 37089013, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the hours of darkness of 9 July 1945, the enemy succeeded in infiltrating our lines to explode a forward ammunition dump which caused a number of serious casualties. Technician WILHELMY, with disregard for his own safety, crawled forward through exploding ammunition to reach the wounded men. Although it was impossible to evacuate the wounded because of darkness and the presence of enemy units, Technician

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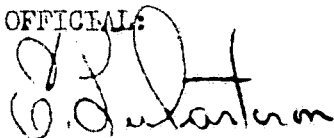
WILHELMY succeeded in dragging the wounded to a safe place away from the exploding ammunition and administered first aid. He remained with the wounded until dawn and then supervised their evacuation. Technician WILHELMY'S courage and devotion to duty in the face of great danger saved the lives of several men and reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Wilhelm, Wife, 1916 Laurel Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technical Sergeant TATE V. ZYTKOSKEE, 37030593, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, as published in Section IV, General Orders No. 78, dated 10 May 1945, a bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bull 3 WD 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technical Sergeant TATE V. ZYTKOSKEE, 37030593, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the hours of darkness of 9 July 1945, the enemy succeeded in infiltrating our lines to explode a forward ammunition dump. A number of serious casualties occurred as the result of the explosion. Sergeant ZYTKOSKEE, with disregard for his own safety, crawled forward through exploding ammunition to reach the wounded men. Although it was impossible to evacuate the wounded because of darkness and the presence of enemy units, Sergeant ZYTKOSKEE succeeded in dragging the wounded to a safe place away from the exploding ammunition and administered first aid. He remained with the wounded until dawn. Sergeant ZYTKOSKEE then supervised the evacuation of the casualties. His courage and devotion to duty in face of great danger saved the lives of several men and reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Salisbury Zytkoskee, Brother, Homer, Minnesota.

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SECTION I - AWARDS OF SILVER STAR - POSTHUMOUSLY  
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Section I - Awards of Silver Star - Posthumously

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. War Dept. 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded, posthumously, by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class CLAUDE P. LEONARD, JR., 37753336, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 July 1945, the company in which Private LEONARD served as a scout was engaged in assaulting a strongly fortified hill position stubbornly defended by the enemy. As the company moved up the slope of the hill, it was subjected to intense sniper and machine gun fire. Private LEONARD, accompanied by another scout, crawled forward under intense fire to the crest of the hill. From their new position the two men saw a Japanese machine gun a few yards away and succeeded in killing the three enemy soldiers manning the gun with hand grenades. The scouts then took over the weapon and turned it against adjacent enemy positions. The unexpected fire coming from one of their own positions so disrupted the Japanese defense that the company was able to evacuate its casualties and pull back to a covered position. Private LEONARD remained at the captured machine gun and kept a continuous stream of fire flowing into enemy emplacements until he was killed by an enemy sniper. Private LEONARD'S daring action in taking over the enemy's machine gun and turning it against them deprived the enemy of much needed fire power and undoubtedly saved the lives of many of the men with whom he served. Next of kin: Mr. Claude P. Leonard, Sr., Father, Altamont, Kansas.

Private First Class J. L. SMITH, 38532348, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 July 1945, Private SMITH, an automatic rifleman, was patrolling in enemy-held territory. Upon moving up a thickly wooded hill, the patrol discovered three Japanese machine gun emplacements. The Japanese manning the guns discovered the patrol at the same time and commenced firing. They forced the patrol to pull back to a covered position. One of the men in the patrol was seriously wounded and unable to withdraw with the others. There being no aid men available,

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Private SMITH volunteered to evacuate the casualty. He returned to the scene and crawled out to the wounded man. As he started to drag his comrade to safety the Japanese machine gunners saw him and opened fire. In spite of the intense volume of fire directed at him, Private SMITH refused to leave the man, dragging him with him under incessant fire. He eventually succeeded in reaching a covered position where emergency first aid was given the wounded man. Private SMITH'S courageous act undoubtedly saved the life of his comrade. In a subsequent engagement Private SMITH was killed as a result of enemy action. Next of kin: Mrs. Lula H. Smith, Mother, Route #1, c/o G. A. Winn, Brookston, Texas.

Section II - Awards of Silver Star

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Ball 43 MD 1918) a Silver Star for gallantry in action at the place and date indicated is awarded by the Commanding General, 6th Infantry Division, APO 6, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class THEODORE BAIRD, 39411323, Infantry, United States Army. On 10 August 1945, the company in which Private BAIRD served as a rifleman launched an attack against strongly fortified enemy hill positions near Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands. One of the men in Private BAIRD'S squad was critically wounded by enemy machine gun fire. Two attempts to rescue the wounded man were turned back by heavy enemy machine gun fire which pinned down the squad. Private BAIRD, alone, voluntarily jumped to his feet, rushed to the wounded man's side and pulled him to a covered position. In the absence of medical aid men, Private BAIRD bandaged the wounds of his fellow soldier and directed his immediate evacuation. His gallant act was responsible for saving the life of his fellow soldier and reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Emma L. Baird, Mother, 230 Arange Avenue, Pico, California.

Second Lieutenant LEWIS R. CHANCE, O2007357, Infantry, United States Army. Near Abacua, Bataan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 May 1945, Lieutenant CHANCE was given the mission of leading his platoon on a reconnaissance through a treacherous gorge to determine if the enemy were using it as a route of withdrawal. While proceeding along a trail, Lieutenant CHANCE was at the head of his platoon with his scouts when they ran into a party of ten armed Japanese soldiers. Seeing only Lieutenant CHANCE and a scout, the Japanese immediately opened fire. Lieutenant CHANCE and the scout were able to secure cover along the trail without being hit. He then moved through the brush along the trail to flank the enemy. When he came upon them, Lieutenant CHANCE fired on them with his carbine, killing three of the enemy before his carbine jammed. He then threw two grenades into the remaining Japanese, wounding several and causing the remainder to flee. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant CHANCE reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Sadie M. Chance, Mother, Cherokee, Kansas.

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First Sergeant WOODROW W. COLE, 37008953, Infantry, United States Army. On the night of 12 August 1945, Sergeant COLE was stationed at his company's command post near Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands. The company was engaged in manning road blocks and outposts in the sector and consequently was split up into small groups at various positions. During the night Sergeant COLE received a message from an outpost which was a thousand yards away, reporting that one of the men at the outpost had been seriously wounded by enemy fire. The man's life was in grave danger, and unless he could be given blood plasma without delay, it appeared he had no chance to survive. Sergeant COLE secured an aid man and blood plasma and went forward in a blinding rain over a treacherous trail to reach the wounded man. Sergeant COLE remained with the man until when it was possible to carry him to an aid station. Home address: Mr. James W. Cole, Uncle, Rural Route #4, Independence, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant WARREN A. DELOR, 36576316, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. In the Cabaruan Hills, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 January 1945, Sergeant DELOR was serving as lead scout in his platoon. As he moved forward into enemy-held territory, he observed an enemy gun crew going into action to fire on his comrades. He started across an open grassy field in order to warn his platoon. While on his way to warn them he was subjected to a hail of rifle fire from his left flank. Completely disregarding his own safety, he continued to make his way across the exposed area by rushes. He shouted warning to the men who were able to take cover before the enemy gun could open fire on them. Sergeant DELOR then pointed out the position of the gun to a mortar observer who was able to neutralize the enemy defenses and permit the platoon to resume its advance. His courageous action at the risk of his life was largely responsible for preventing many casualties among the men of his platoon. Home address: Mrs. George Delor, Mother, 2310 South Riverside, St. Clair, Michigan.

Major DWIGHT DICKSON, 0410201, Infantry, United States Army. Near Alacan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 15 January 1945, an infantry battalion was making an attack upon strongly-held enemy fortified positions which were well protected by mortar and artillery concentrations. As the leading company came under enemy observation, the battalion was subjected to heavy mortar and artillery fire, completely disorganizing the attack. Major DICKSON, then battalion S-3, sensing the grave situation and the effect of the concentrations, immediately ordered counterbattery fire. He left his observation post position and proceeded forward to the leading elements. In moving forward he organized each successive element and was able to successfully lead the assaulting companies through the heavy fire. This made it possible to overwhelm the enemy and seize the objective. The cool judgment, leadership and gallantry displayed by Major DICKSON inspired in his men a fighting spirit which resulted in a decisive victory for his battalion. Home address: Mrs. Katherine M. Dickson, Mother, 10 East Lafayette Street, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

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Private First Class ROY R. ERNER, 39481558, Medical Department, United States Army. Near Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 August 1945, Private ERNER was stationed with his company as an aid man. During the night Private ERNER received a message from his first sergeant that one of the men at an outpost one thousand yards distant had been seriously wounded by enemy rifle fire. The man's survival depended on getting blood plasma to him immediately. Private ERNER, together with his first sergeant, went forward through a blinding rain over a treacherous trail to deliver plasma to the wounded man. Private ERNER remained with the man until dawn and then helped carry him to an aid station. Home address: Mr. Ralph D. Erner, Father, RFD #1, Albany, Oregon.

Major ROBERT J. HOFFMAN, 0410545, Infantry, United States Army. Near Mucab, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the afternoon of 25 June 1945, Major HOFFMAN, regimental S-3, went forward from a command post to make a personal reconnaissance of Japanese emplacements and positions. By fearlessly exposing himself to enemy small arms fire, Major HOFFMAN was able to gain a vantage point which afforded excellent observation. He was able to pick out a covered route of approach around the enemy's flank, enabling a reserve company to launch an early morning attack. The company made a substantial gain by nightfall and then executed a difficult night attack. By daylight it was occupying a high hill just short of its final objective. From this position the advance of the company to the battalion objective was effectively supported. By his gallant act in making a dangerous reconnaissance in an effort to remedy a serious situation, Major HOFFMAN contributed materially to the advance of his regiment. Home address: Mrs. Rosalan E. Hoffman, Wife, 2447 Kansas Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

Major DWIGHT HUNTER, 0391240, Infantry, United States Army. During operations near Amduntog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 10 August 1945, Major HUNTER, commanding an infantry battalion, was given the mission of securing the barrio of Antipolo and the surrounding high ground which controlled the North Antipolo Valley. Major HUNTER led his battalion cross-country over extremely adverse terrain and terraced mountain sides. Upon reaching the battalion assembly area, Major HUNTER went forward to make a personal reconnaissance and to formulate a plan of attack. In so doing, he traversed areas under constant enemy sniper and machine gun fire. Major HUNTER deployed his companies in such a manner that during the attack they successfully overran strong enemy positions. He was continually with his leading assault elements, maneuvering companies and directing supporting fire until the high ground objective was taken and the persistent enemy destroyed. Home address: Mrs. Alice A. Hunter, Wife, Iowa City, Iowa.

Sergeant CARL B. JOHNSON, 38465274, (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Abacua, Bataan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 11 June 1945, Sergeant JOHNSON was given the mission



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of taking part in a patrol action to envelop a well-armed enemy force of twenty men whose presence had been reported by our scouts. As he moved his men along a covered approach, the Japanese began to move in his direction. Sergeant JOHNSON, who was in the lead, promptly opened fire with his rifle, killing two of the enemy and causing the remainder to flee down a trail. After a relentless chase he caught up with them again. The enemy were located in a position easily defended and they held fast and opened fire. Sergeant JOHNSON ordered his men to take cover and then, he, alone, attacked with his rifle and hand grenades. He killed another of the Japanese and wounded one other. At this display of bravery and gallant action the remaining enemy again fled; but Sergeant JOHNSON'S riflemen had opportunity to cut down four more as they attempted to escape. Home address: Mrs. Ollie M. Johnson, Hother, Vunch, Oklahoma.

Captain MICHAEL KANE, JR., 01284885, Infantry, United States Army. Near Antipolo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 31 July 1945, Captain KANE'S company was ordered to attack and seize enemy positions situated on a rock escarpment jutting out of rice terraces to a height of about seventy-five feet. Because high cliffs surrounded the objective, it was necessary to cross open rice terraces in a frontal assault on the enemy positions. Captain KANE accompanied his assault platoons and, while under continuous enemy machine gun and rifle fire, he moved among the assault troops giving them encouragement and instructions. By skillfully deploying and maneuvering his company, he greatly facilitated the occupation of the enemy position and the destruction of its garrison. Captain KANE'S presence with the leading elements was highly important in that he inspired his men to accomplish a difficult and dangerous mission. Home address: Mrs. Alice H. Kane, Wife, 329 North Concord Street, South St. Paul, Minnesota.

Major ARLIN J. KEHE, 0391244, Infantry, United States Army. On the Shimbu Line, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28-29 March 1945, an infantry battalion launched an attack against the enemy's well prepared installations. Firmly entrenched on commanding ground, the enemy covered all approaches to their positions with automatic weapons and rifle fire. Their excellent observation posts made heavy mortar and artillery fire a constant threat. As the advance of the battalion was stopped initially by heavy automatic fire, it was necessary for Major KEHE to commit an additional company the following day in a flanking attack. Throughout the two-day period of bitter fighting, Major KEHE, battalion commander, toured the positions occupied by his front line troops, bolstering the morale of the men and personally supervising the attack. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire, he displayed a resourcefulness and determination which served as an inspiration to the officers and men of his command. His intrepid performance in combat and his intense devotion to duty are deserving of high praise. Home address: Mrs. Mathilda G. Kehe, Mother, Rural Route #1, Denver, Iowa.

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Captain JOHN F. KELLY, 0410602, Infantry, United States Army. Near Alacran, Luzon, Philippine Islands on the night of 15 January 1945, an infantry company commanded by Captain KELLY was holding a defensive position along a large ridge, a key point in the battalion area. At 2300 hours his company was attacked by a group of enemy estimated at platoon strength, employing heavy machine guns, knee mortars and hand grenades. During the ensuing fire fight, the men in adjacent positions became casualties, leaving a large gap through which the enemy attempted to penetrate our positions. Realizing the necessity of closing the gap to protect the remainder of his company and fully aware of the danger of leaving his foxhole at night, Captain KELLY crawled through the mortar and machine gun fire to one of our mortar positions. Here he organized a group of men and personally led them into position to close the break in the defensive perimeter. His gallantry greatly inspired his men, who, instilled with new confidence, repulsed the enemy attack. Home address: Mrs. Sydne E. Kelly, Mother, 116 Dwight Way, Berkeley, California.

Sergeant BOYD MIDDLETON, 38032794, Infantry, United States Army. Near Bolog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 July 1945, Sergeant MIDDLETON, a machine gun squad leader, was ordered to attach his squad to a platoon about to assault a strongly fortified hill held by the enemy. As the platoon approached the enemy positions, Sergeant MIDDLETON led his squad to an adjacent hill from which it was possible to fire into the enemy and cover the approach of the platoon. When the platoon moved up the hill, it was subjected to intense sniper and machine gun fire from its flanks and front. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Sergeant MIDDLETON ordered his men to commence firing. The machine gun fire coming from an unexpected direction diverted the enemy's attention from the main advance. The brief respite enabled the platoon to evacuate the wounded and begin an orderly withdrawal. When the Japanese fire became too heavy, Sergeant MIDDLETON, not wishing to expose his men to further danger, ordered them to pull back and he himself took over the gun. Although in an exposed position, he remained at his weapon and kept firing into the enemy positions until all of the platoon had withdrawn to a safe area. Then, still under fire, he took his gun out of action and rolled it down the slope to his comrades before making his own withdrawal. By keeping the enemy fire concentrated on himself, Sergeant MIDDLETON made possible the safe evacuation of the wounded and enabled the platoon to withdraw from a hazardous position. Home address: Mr. Cecil C. Middleton, Brother, Rockdale, Texas.

Sergeant JOHN POTURITCA, 35026069, Infantry, United States Army. Sergeant POTURITCA, a reconnaissance sergeant, acting as a forward mortar observer, was moving forward with an assault company over a narrow mountain trail at Tagalog, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 21 June 1945. When the head of the advance column was pinned down by accurate enemy small arms and grenade fire, Sergeant POTURITCA went forward to investigate. While