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ALBERT ARLIOT, Sergent-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 20 November 1944 in France. Although wounded in the action, Sergent-Chef Arlot lead his platoon in vicious hand-to-hand fighting at Largitzen which routed the enemy.

VADIM KARDASSEVITCH, Sergent-Chef, 2eme Bataillon de Choc, on 7 December 1944 in France. During the attack on Lunenburg, Sergent-Chef Kardassevitch led an attack which forced the enemy garrison to surrender.

CHARLES LEONARD, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 102eme G. O. A. during April 1945 in Germany. Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Leonard devoted himself tirelessly to artillery observation and succeeded in attaining excellent results.

BORIS BOURIATCHEV, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Spahis Marocains, on 4 April 1945 in Germany. During the operations at Sultz, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Bouriatchev displayed extraordinary bravery and leadership.

ANDRE OUILLET, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Levant, on 24 and 25 April 1945 in Germany. Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Ouillet demonstrated outstanding courage when the command post was encircled by the enemy.

ROGER BOUHANS, Marechal-des-Logis, Groupe 1/68 Artillerie, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. During the fighting at Ulm, Marechal-des-Logis Bouhans showed extreme bravery and leadership under enemy fire.

JEAN LAZO, Marechal-des-Logis, 63eme Regiment d'Artillerie Elindes, on 20 November 1944 in France. Marechal-des-Logis Lazo displayed outstanding bravery during the course of difficult fighting at Grandvillars.

GEORGES KIRSTELLER, Marechal-des-Logis, 2eme Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, during November 1944 in France. During the operations in the Vosges, Marechal-des-Logis Kirsteller performed many dangerous liaison missions.

PIERRE TRISSIER, Marechal-des-Logis, F.T.A. de la 1ere Armee Francaise, in March 1945 in France. On liaison duty with the 34th U.S. AAA Brigade, Marechal-des-Logis Trissier functioned with good will and efficiency.

ALFRED PASTOR, Sergent, 151eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 22 April 1945 in Germany. An excellent example of bravery in action, Sergent Pastor distinguished himself during the violent operations at Genkigen.

ROGER REBOUH, Sergent, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, on 30 March 1945 in Germany. During the action at Spayor, Sergent Rebouh demonstrated outstanding leadership in the face of difficult odds.

ROGER BELCROIX, Sergent, Compagnie des Transmissions 71/84, on 15 April 1945 in Germany. Participating with distinction during the action on the Baden Plain, Sergent Belcroix carried out a dangerous mission with complete success.

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MARCEL ESCOFFEL, Sergent, 3eme Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, on 20 November 1944 in France. Wounded during a series of particularly operations, Sergent Escoffel refused to be evacuated and carried out his duties with courage.

RAYMOND BOCAH, Caporal-Chef, 151eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 10 April 1945 in Germany. Caporal-Chef Bocah was the first to advance to the center of Ems Klosterle and performed heroically under enemy machine gun fire.

MARCUS MERCIER, Caporal-Chef, 4eme Bataillon de Choc, from 3 to 9 December 1944 in France. During the offensive operations near Rommersatt, Caporal-Chef Mercier conducted himself bravely in the face of furious enemy resistance.

FRANCOIS EYNAUD, Caporal-Chef, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 9 and 14 April 1945 in Germany. During the fighting at Schollbronn and Salbach, Caporal-Chef Eynaud conducted himself with exemplary courage.

JACQUES VERON, Brigadier-Chef, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, during September 1944 in France. During the operations in the Autun region, Brigadier-Chef Veron performed many dangerous missions scornful of heavy enemy fire.

MARCEL MINICHINI, Caporal, 6eme Bataillon de Choc, in France. Conducting himself with complete disregard for danger, Caporal Minichini was instrumental in maintaining effective liaison with the battalion command post.

JEAN RHEIN, Caporal, 2eme Bataillon de Choc, on 24 January 1945 in France. Without a thought for his own safety, Caporal Rhein volunteered for a hazardous patrol action which secured precious information of enemy defenses at Richwiller.

JEAN BALLESTA, Caporal, 151eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 2 April 1945 in Germany. In the action to capture and occupy Bruschal, Caporal Ballesta displayed the finest qualities of the model soldier under enemy fire.

ANDRE PY, Caporal, 1ere Compagnie de Ramassage, on 15 March 1945 in Germany. Caporal Py demonstrated his unusual courage and uncompromising devotion to duty during the fighting against a strong enemy at Oberhoffen.

JACQUES MILLET, Brigadier, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 1 February 1945 in France. Brigadier Millet distinguished himself unquestionably by his courage and calmness under fire at Marckolsheim.

MAURICE MAHE, Brigadier, 38eme Groupe de F.T.A., on 17 April 1945 in Germany. Brigadier Mahe showed great bravery and gained the admiration of his comrades by his actions at Langen Winken.

RAYMOND VALVERDE, Soldat de 1ere Class, 3eme Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, on 15 April 1945 in Germany. As primary gunner in his machine gun crew, Soldat de 1ere Class Valverde gave proof of his proficiency and devotion to duty.

RAYMOND DAUFFER, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 24 January 1945 in France. Soldat de 1ere Class Dauffer performed exceptional acts of courage during the operations at Moyershoff.

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ROBERT GAUTIER, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 14 April 1945 in Franco. Soldat de 1ere Classe Gautier was responsible for the destruction of an antitank gun in the fighting at Langenbrand.

GUY BOUCHEREAU, 1er Canonier, F.T.A. de la 1ere Armee Francaise, in Franco. When his vehicle was hit by an enemy shell, 1ere Canonier Bouchereau showed courage and self-possession in rescuing the driver quickly.

ALI BEN SALAH, 2eme Commando, 5eme Bataillon de Choc, on 21 January 1945 in Franco. In the Nonnonbruck Forest, 2eme Commando Ali Ben Salah made reconnaissance missions which gained valuable information of the enemy at Cornay.

DANIEL VERITE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 8eme Regiment de Dragons, on 26 April 1945 in Germany. Soldat de 2eme Classe Verite distinguished himself by his disregard for danger in the operations at Zellhaus.

ALBERT ABEILLE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 4eme Regiment de Spahis Marocains, on 26 April 1945 in Germany. Under heavy enemy fire, Soldat de 2eme Classe Abeille transmitted message of the most vital importance to his unit.

AISSA KHEMISSI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 1er Regiment de Spahis Algeriens, on 24 April 1945 in Germany. Despite his painful wound, Soldat de 2eme Classe Aissa Khemissi kept his automatic weapon in action until the enemy withdrew.

AIME TEOULE, 2eme Canonier, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Levant, on 24 and 25 April 1945 in Germany. Though his unit command post was encircled, 2eme Canonier Teoule succeeded in maintaining contact with supporting units.

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ORIGINAL ORDER

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AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals for extraordinary heroism in action:

HENRI EMILE JOSEPH DUMONCEL, Lieutenant Colonel, 65eme Regiment d'Artillerie, in Germany and Austria. An artillery officer of long and faithful military experience and of high technical skill, Lieutenant Colonel Dumoncel participated in numerous dangerous operations at the head of his artillery battalion. When the French troops first entered Austria, he contributed greatly to the speedy breaking up of enemy dispositions by the rapidity and precision of his fire. In order to give the infantry the most effective support, he did not hesitate personally to reconnoiter positions in zones in which mopping up operations had not been completed and was at all times a living example of energy and unstinting devotion to duty.

NICOLAS ALEXANDRE ROUMIANTZOFF, Lieutenant Colonel, Chef d'Etat-Major, 10eme Division d'Infanterie, from 10 to 17 September 1944 in France. As commander of the 2d French Armored Division, Lieutenant Colonel Roumiantzoff was largely responsible for the success of the operations of his division in Southern France. In a series of daring maneuvers, he successively captured Contraxville, Vittol and Darnay, on each occasion inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy and capturing large amounts of booty. Because of his superior knowledge of tactics and proficiency in the use of terrain and equipment, he was able to turn his personal daring and bravery into channels of command which resulted in outstanding success.

LEON TERRASSON, Chef de Bataillon, 1ere Division Blindée, on 26 April and 1 May 1945 in Germany. As commander of a tank squadron, Chef de Bataillon Terrasson, while leading hazardous reconnaissance operations, displayed outstanding leadership. On 26 April, he directed a particularly brilliant attack which led to the surrender of the Chief of Staff of the German XVIII Army Corps with 25 officers and 1200 enlisted men. On 1 May, while leading a small detachment in the attack on Imst, he was gravely wounded but remained at the head of his troops until his mission had been completed.

MARCEL RIBERE, Capitaine, 3eme Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, on 21 January 1945 in France. An officer combining penetrating intelligence with rare personal courage and valor, Capitaine Ribere proved to be an invaluable officer in performing highly dangerous missions. At Martinet, he bolstered the confi-

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dence and morale of his troops by his calmness and dynamic action, never hesitating to go forward in the face of enemy fire to direct the actions of his men and insure them of the best possible leadership. His calmness and level-headedness under fire and his spirit of self-sacrifice contributed immensely to the success of operations and reflect the highest traditions of the French Army.

II -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 500-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

JEAN-MARIE PERNOT, Lieutenant Colonel, 9eme Regiment de Zouaves, on 4 and 5 February 1945 in Germany. During the fighting at Munster, Lieutenant Colonel Pernot's vehicle was blown up by an antitank mine, but in spite of his wounds he remained at his post and continued to direct the operations.

FRANCOIS GRAMAUSSEL, Lieutenant Colonel, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 12 April 1945 in Germany. While under violent artillery fire at Klein Sassenheim, Lieutenant Colonel Gramausssel directed a brilliant defense and assured the evacuation of vehicles and material from the danger zones.

JEAN BERGER, Commandant, 2eme Bataillon de Choc, on 28 November 1944 in France. When his battalion commander was wounded, Commandant Berger assumed command and demonstrated remarkable skill and courage in attacking an important enemy position.

LOUIS A. PETIT, Chef de Bataillon, 2eme Bataillon de Zouaves, on 26 April 1945 in Germany. Chef de Bataillon Petit led his battalion in a smashing action which cut off an enemy detachment, inspiring his men by his bravery and calmness.

JEAN ESTRADE, Chef de Bataillon, 9eme Division d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 27 April 1945 in Germany. While accomplishing several liaison missions, Chef de Bataillon Estrade distinguished himself during the campaign at Lorrach.

JEAN MICHEL MARIE LACAPELLE, Chef de Bataillon, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 20 and 21 April 1945 in Germany. Chef de Bataillon Lacapelle led his unit in a surprise attack on Ditzon which succeeded in capturing a large enemy garrison.

EUGENE DANIEL BULLOT, Chef d'Escadron, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Levant, on 24 and 25 April 1945 in Germany. When his command was attacked at Bad Durheim by a superior force, Chef d'Escadron Bullet led a heroic defense and forced the enemy to withdraw, leaving many dead on the field.

HENRI LOUIS FREDERIC ANTOINE VIARD, Chef d'Escadron, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, in Germany. Chef d'Escadron Viard accomplished the prodigious feat of entering Stuttgart at the head of his battalion following 22 days of uninterrupted fighting and forced marches.

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JACQUES PAUL HENRI LE HEGRE, Capitaine, 5eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 4 December 1944 in France. In a particularly hazardous action, Capitaine Le Heger led a reconnaissance unit behind enemy lines and aided the general attack by disrupting communications lines.

ROBERT DUBESNIL, Capitaine, 5eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 12 April 1945 in Germany. After having destroyed several 88mm guns, Capitaine Dumesnil led his men into Badon-Badon and captured considerable enemy troops and equipment.

JOSEPH FAURE, Capitaine, Regiment de Marche de la Legion Etrangere, from 9 to 18 January 1945 in France. Capitaine Faure's knowledge of terrain and professional ability were largely responsible for the success of the Sand battles.

LOUIS CHARLES MARIE JAYET, Capitaine, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 5 April 1945 in Germany. At the head of his company during the heaviest of the fighting, Capitaine Jayet captured the city of Neibshelm in a brilliant surprise action at night.

HENRI FELIX BERTRAND, Capitaine, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 21 January 1945 in France. Capitaine Bertrand conducted an attack against the town of Richwiller in the face of strong enemy resistance, frequently exposing himself and inspiring his troops.

JACQUES LISABARD, Capitaine, Regiment Colonial de Chasseurs de Chars, from 6 to 25 April 1945 in Germany. A tank commander of superior ability, Capitaine Lisabard gave effective support to infantry units and captured large amounts of materiel.

PIERRE RANCON, Capitaine, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, in France. Capitaine Rancon repeatedly distinguished himself by going forward under heavy enemy fire to direct the fighting of his troops.

ROGER ETIENNE LOUIS PICHAT, Lieutenant, 20eme Bataillon de Chasseurs Alpins, on 9 April 1945 in Germany. While commanding a detachment in support of reconnaissance elements, Lieutenant Pichat led his unit in repeated assaults upon the village of Pfinsweiler, capturing many prisoners and taking quantities of booty.

MARCEL BON, Lieutenant, 55eme Bataillon du Genie, in Germany. Responsible for the establishment of the crossing at Offenbourg under devastating enemy defensive fire, Lieutenant Bon ignored his own wound and performed his duties in a remarkably courageous manner.

ANDRE CHAPPELIER, Lieutenant, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, on 4 April 1945 in Germany. Giving proof of courage beyond the ordinary, Lieutenant Chappelier daringly penetrated into the tenaciously held village of Holsheim at the front of his unit's advance elements in the face of a strong enemy.

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HENRI PIERRE VAILLANT, Lieutenant, 1er Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 7 April 1945 in Germany. Endowed with effective powers of decision, Lieutenant Vaillant was responsible for the capture of the first houses of Schuntiger under heavy enemy automatic weapons and artillery fire.

JEAN NOEL MERQUI, Sous-Lieutenant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 21 and 23 November 1944 in France. Participating in the attacks on Mulhouse, Sous-Lieutenant Merqui has continuously demonstrated his keen appreciation of the duties of an officer in combat and has not hesitated at repeated self-sacrifice.

PIERRE TRIMAILLE, Adjudant-Chef, 5eme Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, in France. Motivated by a high sense of duty and an indefatigable zeal, Adjudant-Chef Trimaille particularly distinguished himself at Toulon, where he continued in combat refusing to be evacuated for his serious wounds.

GUY LEBUHOTEL, Adjudant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, on 16 March 1945 in Germany. During the action at Oberhoffen, Adjudant Lebuhotel obtained maximum results from those serving under him despite extremely effective enemy artillery fire and personally brought the wounded back through the minefields.

LEON SCHOTT, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 1er Regiment de Spahis Algeriens, on 8 February 1945 in France. Having vainly tried to attack the Huninguo Canal by an improvised raft, Marechal-dos-Logis-Chef Schott boldly jumped on a barge and led his group across under enemy small arms fire.

BERNARD FAIVRE, Marechal-dos-Logis, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, on 25 April 1945 in Germany. On the road from Geisingen to Zimmern, Marechal-dos-Logis Faivre held the entire flank of his unit in his armored car, inflicting heavy losses upon the enemy with his machine gun and the small arms fire of his crew.

III --AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in connection with military operations:

ANDRE HENRI JOSEPH TIGNORES, Lieutenant Colonel, Commandant du Train, 2eme Corps d'Armes, on 17 September 1944 in France. A model senior officer, Lieutenant Colonel Tignores performed a valuable combat mission under fire.

JEAN BAUDOT, Medecin Lieutenant Colonel, Groupe Sanitaire Toulouse, in January 1945 in France. Lieutenant Colonel Baudot was outstanding in the care of wounded personnel in dangerous proximity of the front lines.

FRANCOIS VINCENT, Commandant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, on 15 March 1945 in Germany. Demonstrating great calm and courage under fire, Commandant Vincent was gravely wounded while leading his unit against Oberhoffen.

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SERGE ANDOLENKO, Chef de Bataillon, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, from 10 to 21 April 1945 in Germany. During the battle for Stuttgart, Chef de Bataillon Andolenko ignored extreme danger to gather vital intelligence data.

JEAN DANGOURMAU, Chef de Bataillon, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 29 November 1944 in France. Chef de Bataillon Dangourmau led his battalion in a daring and dangerous surprise attack on the Drumont peaks.

LOUIS LE MAGNY, Chef de Bataillon, 81eme Regiment d'Infanterie, from 17 to 20 April 1945 in Germany. During the mopping up operations in the Black Forest near Gengenbach, Chef de Bataillon le Magny displayed great courage.

FRANCOIS GAUDERIQUE PIDEIL, Chef d'Escadron, 13eme Groupe Colonial de D.C.A., in France. Chef d'Escadron Pideil performed particularly fine liaison work in the fighting at Colmar in spite of great personal danger.

ROBERT DE KERSAUZON DE PENNENDREFF, Chef d'Escadrons, 1er Corps d'Armee, on 9 February 1945 in France. A superior liaison officer, Chef d'Escadrons de Kersauson de Pennendreff assured contact under the most hazardous conditions.

ANDRE MASSEGUIN, Medecin-Commandant, 431eme Bataillon Medical, on 8 April 1945 in Germany. Caught in enemy infantry fire at Niefern, Commandant Masseguin bravely went to the aid of a wounded American officer.

ANDRE MAURICE FERRASSE, Capitaine, 9eme Regiment de Zouaves, on 19 November 1944 in France. During the heavy fighting at Morvillars, Capitaine Ferrasse displayed an outstanding spirit of bravery in the face of the enemy.

GABRIEL POUX, Capitaine, 35eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 7 and 21 November 1944 in France. During the combat at Tholy and Gerardmer, Capitaine Poux gave those serving under him the finest example of courage under enemy fire.

ALBERT DELAUXE, Capitaine, 20me Regiment de Dragons, on 29 April 1945 in Germany. Capitaine DeLauxe was an outstanding example of bravery to his command while under heavy enemy fire at Mohringen.

ETIENNE EDMOND FURBER DE LINGUA DE SAINT BLANQUAT, Capitaine, Etat-Major, l'Arme Blindee, in Germany. A daring and courageous officer, Capitaine de Lingua de Saint Blanquat performed dangerous liaison missions for his unit.

PIERRE RABILLARD, Capitaine, 3eme Bataillon de Choc, on 14 April 1945 in Germany. Capitaine Rabillard daringly led his command assaults on the Ems and at Langenbrand in spite of bitter enemy resistance.

HENRI LARRIEU, Capitaine, 3eme Bataillon de Choc, in France. In charge of the "Special Detachment" of his battalion, Capitaine LARRIERU directed its actions against a strong enemy with decision and personal courage.

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JEAN AMAUDRIC DU CHAFFAUT, Capitaine, 4eme Bataillon de Choc, on 4 December 1944 in France. In the attack on Hill 475 at Bourboch le Bas, Capitaine Amdric du Chaffaut performed in an exemplary manner under murderous fire.

LOUIS GARNIER, Capitaine, 17eme Regiment Colonial du Genie, on 24 March 1945 in France. Capitaine Garnier personally directed during reconnaissances which greatly contributed to the success of operations at Lauterbourg.

RAYMOND J.A. PANNIER, Capitaine, 1er Corps d'Armee, on 30 April 1945 in Germany. When the enemy counterattacked at Schwenningen, Capitaine Pannier led a resistance which repulsed the attackers and took numerous prisoners.

PAUL BALLE, Capitaine, 96eme Bataillon du Genie, in January 1945 in France. Capitaine Balle's courageous contribution to liaison with the 3d U.S. Infantry Division were of immense value to the success of Allied operations.

PIERRE PROST, Capitaine, 57eme Bataillon du Genie, in April 1945 in Germany. A daring and qualified reconnaissance officer, Capitaine Prost headed many missions which obtained valuable information for his command.

ANDRE DJOURNO, Capitaine, F. T. A. de la Armee Francaise, in January 1945 in France. With the 34th U. S. AA Brigade during the France Campaign, Capitaine Djourné performed with efficiency and bravery under enemy fire.

ROGER ALBERT JOURNEAU, Capitaine, 3eme Regiment de Spahis de Reconnaissance, in December 1944 in France. During the battle at la Poutroie and le Bonhomme, Capitaine Journeau displayed a supreme disregard for his own safety.

JEAN PAUL RIVIERE, Capitaine, 1er Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 23 March 1945 in Germany. During the assault on the Siegfried Line, Capitaine Riviere assured contact between his and neighboring American units under withering fire.

ALBERT DELERUE, Capitaine, 39eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on April 1945 in Germany. Commanding a decimated company between Ditsingen and Weillendorf, Capitaine Dolerue led it with calm courage and decision to break a threat of encirclement.

GEORGES MORGULEFF, Capitaine, 81eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. Capitaine Morguleff displayed bravery and extreme energy in the audacious leadership of his unit at Steinbach.

ALBERT ZINAT, Medecin-Capitaine, 4eme Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 15 January 1945 in France. Wounded by an exploding mine, Capitaine Zinat nevertheless continued his treatment of the wounded.

GEORGES LE BLOUCH, Medecin-Capitaine, 25eme Bataillon Medical, on 18 December 1944 in France. Capitaine le Blouch displayed great courage in the performance of his duties near Mulhouse.

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JERME BOURGEOIS, Medecin-Capitaine, Formation Chirurgicale Mobile No. 2, from 1 to 5 February 1945 in France. Working night and day during the fighting north of Mulhouse, Capitaine Bourgeois succeeded in saving many lives under fire.

XAVIER DE SEGUINEAU DE PREVAL, Lieutenant, Regiment de Marche de la Legion Etrangere, on 6 April 1945 in Germany. During the operations at Koenigsbach, Lieutenant de Seguinneau de Preval displayed audacious courage.

ALAIN DUTHEILLET DE LAMOTHE, Lieutenant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, on 10 April 1945 in Germany. In a threatened zone of the lines at Durmens, Lieutenant Duthaillet de Lamothe installed a strongpoint which effectively warded off heavy enemy blows.

HENRI RAMOS, Lieutenant, Direction du Service du Materiel, 1ere Armeo Francaise, from 22 to 24 November 1944 in France. Lieutenant Ramos performed difficult towing jobs despite enemy patrols and heavy artillery fire.

MAXIME AUCEL, Lieutenant, Service des Messances, 1ere Armeo Francaise, on 15 August 1944 in France. With the loading elements of the "Beach Control Group", Lieutenant Aucol performed important liaison duties in the face of the enemy.

MAURICE FUMERY, Lieutenant, 27eme Regiment d'Infanterie, from 21 to 26 April 1945 in Germany. Notably during the fighting at Villingen, Lieutenant Fumery operated in particularly hazardous circumstances against the enemy.

ROBERT HALATRE, Lieutenant, 54eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 24 and 25 April 1945 in Germany. During the operations at Bad Durheim, Lieutenant Halatre held his battery in position against violent enemy attacks.

JEAN CROSNIER, Medecin Sous-Lieutenant, 10eme Division d'Infanterie, on 31 January 1945 in France. Sous-Lieutenant Crosnier demonstrated praise-worthy courage at Oderen by bringing three wounded men to safety under enemy fire.

LOUIS RAOUL JEAN, Sous-Lieutenant, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, in October 1944 in France. Sous-Lieutenant Jean conducted himself with extraordinary courage during the difficult fighting in the Vosges.

LOUIS BUSQUET, Sous-Lieutenant, Detachement Special, 3eme Bataillon de Choc, on 31 January 1945 in France. In the action at Durrontzen, Sous-Lieutenant Busquet was wounded in the accomplishment of an extremely dangerous mission.

ANTOINE NICOLAS CADE, Sous-Lieutenant, 20eme Bataillon de Chasseurs Alpins, on 21 and 22 April 1945 in Germany. On the Herronberg-Nufringen road, Sous-Lieutenant Cade assumed command of a scout-car detachment when its commander was wounded and fought off a vastly superior enemy force.

LOUIS GLEVER, Sous-Lieutenant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, on 19 December 1944 in France. While fighting near Orbey, Sous-Lieutenant Glover demonstrated rare qualities of courage in going to the rescue of a comrade.

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RENÉ SOUCAILLE, Aspirant, 1900e Bataillon de Chasseurs, on 22 April 1945 in Germany. An outstanding soldier, Aspirant Soucaille displayed the finest qualities of bravery and audacity during the combat at Donauschingen.

PIERRE BILLOCOQ, Aspirant, 2000e Bataillon de Choc, in April 1945 in Germany. In the leadership of his platoon in the face of heavy enemy fighting, Aspirant Billocoq displayed high qualities of leadership and bravery.

JAMES BERLET, Aspirant, 10200e G. O. A. on 2 February 1945 in France. During the operations at Strasbourg, Aspirant Berlet continued his work in an observation post despite heavy and accurate enemy machine gun fire.

GEORGES ROCHE, Adjudant-Chef, 2000e Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 28 December 1944 in France. When his mortar platoon ran out of ammunition, Adjudant-Chef Roche led it in an assault on the position he was ordered to destroy.

ROGER FIOUX, Adjudant-Chef, 3000e Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, on 22 January 1945 in France. Despite enemy fire which killed two of his crew, Adjudant-Chef Fieux displayed great ability in directing the fire of his mortar.

LOUIS SEQUELA, Adjudant-Chef, 8700e Bataillon du Genie, from 1 to 25 April 1945 in Germany. Adjudant-Chef Seguela performed with extraordinarily decisive leadership and bravery in the clearance of the Neuenburg-Oberreichenbach Road.

JULIEN MAVERAULT, Adjudant, 8000e Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. Adjudant Maverault displayed outstanding courage and calmness in the accomplishment of dangerous liaison missions near Kuppington.

LEON LEPERE, Adjudant, 4000e Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. During the advance on Weil der Stadt, Adjudant Lepere displayed great bravery in the destruction of a German machine gun nest.

RENÉ CHAUVELOT, Adjudant, 1000e Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 5 December 1944 in France. Upon the death of his commanding officer, Adjudant Chauvelot assumed command of his unit and led it on to the capture of its objective.

JEAN LEDUNOIS, Adjudant, 2300e Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 5 April 1945 in Germany. Adjudant Ledunois was a model of bravery and devotion to duty in the fighting at Welfartswörler in spite of his wound.

PIERRE DUCHET, Adjudant, 5800e Bataillon du Genie, on 14 February 1945 in France. Adjudant Duchet particularly distinguished himself at the capture of Scheenen-Stonbach where he showed supreme disregard for his own safety.

GUY CERF, Sergeant-Major, 1000e Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 8 April 1945 in Germany. Sergeant-Major Cerf led a bold flanking maneuver against the enemy position at Grossschonheim capturing nine prisoners and killing two of the enemy.

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ALEX HUBERT, Sergeant-Major, 190me Bataillon de Chasseurs, on 13 February 1945 in France. During the battle of Kombs, Sergeant-Major Hubert particularly distinguished himself by his courage and devotion to duty.

ANDRE THIESE, Sergeant-Chef, 1er Bataillon de Zouaves, on 11 April 1945 in Germany. Although he was twice wounded at the battle at Eupenheim, Sergeant-Chef Thiese performed his duties with efficiency and calm.

JULIEN TOULIERE, Sergeant-Chef, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 21 January 1945 in France. During the operations at Meyers Hoff, Sergeant-Chef Toulriere demonstrated the finest qualities of bravery and courage.

GEORGES FLOSSE, Sergeant-Chef, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. Under violent enemy fire, Sergeant-Chef Flosse led his machine gun section so as to render the closest support to the riflemen.

ROGER DECAUX, Sergeant-Chef, 190me Bataillon de Chasseurs, on 26 April 1945 in Germany. Sergeant-Chef Decaux displayed the most outstanding qualities of bravery and leadership under fire at Altesbach.

FLORENT MULLER, Sergeant-Chef, 1er Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. An enthusiastic and energetic leader, Sergeant-Chef Muller's decisive action at Deisslingen resulted in striking success.

MAURICE CLAVET, Sergeant-Chef, Compagnie 807 des Transmissions, in France. During the heavy fighting at Schirmeck, Sergeant-Chef Clavet participated in an outstanding manner with great courage and attention to duty.

MARTIAL BENOIST, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 63eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 17 November 1944 in France. Cooperating closely with infantry units, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Benoist rendered fine support by his work.

GILLES ROUSSEAU, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 2eme Regiment de Cuirassiers, on 26 April 1945 in Germany. Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Rousseau gained the admiration of all during his participation in the fighting at Ulm.

ROGER CYPRIEN LAROCHE, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 2eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 21 November 1944 in France. During the combat at Mulhouse, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Laroche displayed outstanding courage under fire.

PIERRE LUDINARD, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 9 and 10 January 1945 in France. With extreme bravery, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Ludinard destroyed two enemy tanks at Horbheim.

ROLAND BOZZOLO, Marechal-des-Logis, 140me Bataillon Medical, on 21 April 1945 in Germany. With great daring, Marechal-des-Logis Bozzolo succeeded in liberating five of his comrades who had been taken prisoner the evening before and capturing two of their guards.

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O ILBERT WININGER, Marechal-des-Logis, 3eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 30 April 1945 in Germany. Marechal-des-Logis Wininger proved himself to be a model soldier during the fighting at Thaners, Stein and Hausor.

BELLEQUE DAMOU, Marechal-des-Logis, 66eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. Marechal-des-Logis Damou's distinguished work ceased only when he was painfully wounded at Hossingen.

JEAN RIAUDEL, Sergent, 20eme Bataillon de Chasseurs Alpins, on 13 April 1945 in Germany. Sergent Riaudel led his squad in an audacious action which allowed his antitank platoon to enter Bomersbach.

JEAN MONGIN, Sergent, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, in Germany. Displaying model courage, Sergent Mongin led his unit in a night defense of his position against a particularly fierce enemy attack.

ROBERT CLAVEAU, Sergent, Regiment Colonial de Chasseurs de Chars, on 12 and 13 April 1945 in Germany. A spirited and brave soldier, Sergent Claveau gave proof of extraordinary courage while fighting at Rastadt.

HENRI COLSONNET, Sergent, 19eme Bataillon de Chasseurs, on 8 February 1945 in France. Particularly distinguishing himself at Kembs, Sergent Colsonnet displayed the utmost bravery in the service of his country.

NICOLAS MILLOLIRI, Caporal-Chef, 1er Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, in Germany. Caporal-Chef Milloliri distinguished himself at Pfersheim by his calm and disregard for his own safety.

PIERRE HUET, Caporal-Chef, 3eme Compagnie de Ramassage, on 15 March 1945 in Germany. Displaying exceptional bravery, Caporal-Chef Huet was of invaluable assistance to the success of his unit's operations at Oberhoffen.

ROBERT DAVID, Brigadier-Chef, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 19 April 1945 in Germany. Brigadier-Chef David gave an excellent example of his outstanding courage during the fighting at Deckenfren.

ABEALLAH BEN BOUCHAIB, Caporal, 3eme Groupement de Choc, on 17 October 1944 in France. Caporal Abeallah ben Bouchaib was outstanding while directing the fire of his machine gun in spite of the ferocity of the enemy attack.

MICHEL RUIS, Caporal, 1er Bataillon de Choc, on 6 April 1945 in Germany. In leading an important assault of his group, Caporal Ruis functioned with the greatest bravery and was an inspiration of high value to his comrades.

MAURICE GUIBERT, Caporal, 12eme Compagnie d'Entretien, from 31 March to 2 April 1945 in France. Caporal Guibert assured the maintenance of materiel under violent enemy artillery and mortar fire during the Rhine crossing.

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ABISSLEM BEN AHMED, Caporal, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 16 April 1945 in Germany. During the fighting at Nagold, Caporal Abdosslem ben Ahmed displayed extreme bravery in the service of his country.

GUY ADIE BROUQUISSE, Caporal, 39eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 17 April 1945 in Germany. Penetrating deep to enemy lines with his commanding officer, Caporal Brouquisse displayed courage and cunning to return to his unit.

PAUL DE CHARNISAY, Brigadier, 2eme Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, on 19 April 1945 in Germany. Brigadier de Charnisay distinguished himself at Sulz by rescuing his wounded noncommissioned officer.

OSCAR NEUFOLISE, Brigadier, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 2 and 3 May 1945 in France. Brigadier Neufolise rendered fine and brave services during the conduct of dangerous patrols in the region of Thal.

MOULAY LHASSEN, Moqqadem Acuel, 4eme Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 26 February 1945 in France. Travelling mined roads under heavy fire, Moqqadem Acuel Lhassem worked bravely to assure the supply of forward units.

FRANCOIS MAGNARD, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Bataillon de Choc, from 3 to 10 December 1944 in France. A courageous liaison agent, Soldat de 1ere Classe Magnard displayed great bravery during the action at Ramersatt.

LOUIS BUJON, 1er Canonier, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 22 January 1945 in France. 1er Canonier Bujon showed great bravery in carrying out his liaison work between infantry and artillery units.

CHARLES ALBERTINI, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 24 April 1945 in Germany. Soldat de 1ere Classe Albertini's heroic set an excellent example for his comrades during the fighting at Dietsheim.

DAID BEN TALIB, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, on 7 April 1945 in Germany. When his unit was delayed, Soldat de 2eme Classe Talib destroyed an enemy nest of resistance with hand grenades.

MESSAOUD BOURALDA, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 5eme Bataillon de Choc, on 22 August 1944 in France. In spite of his serious wound, Soldat de 2eme Classe Bouralda continued in action throughout the fighting at Couden.

ADRIEN RODRIGUEZ, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 6eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 9 April 1945 in Germany. During the action at Romhag, Soldat de 2eme Classe Rodriguez incurred a wound while saving the life of one of his comrades.

FRANCOIS MONDOLONI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 1er Bataillon de Choc, on 5 May 1945 in Austria. Demonstrating great zeal and daring, Soldat de 2eme Classe Mondoloni captured three prisoners during the fighting at Hintergasse.

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BERNARD RIOS, Cavalier, 20me Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 26 November 1944 in France. During the operations at Galfinguo, Cavalier Rios displayed exceptional bravery in accomplishing his mission.

IV -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

PHILIPPE MALIVOIRE FILHOL DE CAMAS, Lieutenant Colonel, Etat-Major, 1ere Arme Francaise, from January to May 1945 in France and Germany. Lieutenant Colonel Malivoire Filhol de Camas contributed immensely to coordination with the American forces.

PIERRE JEAN HENRI DERVILLE, Commandant, Etat-Major, 1ere Arme Francaise, from 15 February to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. A skilled G-2 officer, Commandant Derville contributed greatly to the success of Allied operations.

EUGENE JEAN BROY, Intendant Militaire de 5eme Classe, Direction Intendance, 1ere Arme Francaise, from 1 April to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Intendant Militaire Broy was outstanding in assuring the supply of French units.

PIERRE CINQUIN, Chef de Bataillon, Commandant du Genie, 1ere Arme Francaise, from August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Chef de Bataillon Cinquin accomplished marvelous work in the engineer supply of the command.

YVAIN LE VACON, Chef d'Escadrons, Etat-Major, 1ere Arme Francaise, from September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. A member of the 4eme Bureau, Chef d'Escadrons often demonstrated his ability and tact in difficult work.

ETIENNE LAJOUANIE, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 1ere Arme Francaise, from 1 March to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Capitaine Lajouanie conducted his 5eme Bureau duties with the greatest competence and diplomacy.

ANDRE BRENOT, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 1ere Arme Francaise, from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. As headquarters Artillery Officer, Capitaine Brenot materially contributed to the success of Allied operations.

ROGER LESIMPLE, Capitaine, Etat-Major de l'Arme Blindee, from 18 August to 31 December 1944 in France. Throughout the Franco Campaign, Capitaine Lesimple manifested a spirit of loyal and sincere cooperation in his work.

ANDRE GUEDON, Capitaine, Direction Intendance, 1ere Arme Francaise, from August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. A tireless worker, Capitaine Guedon performed the seemingly impossible to fulfill his supply missions.

PAUL DURAUD, Veterinaire Lieutenant, Ambulance Veterinaire No 541, during March 1945 in France. Lieutenant Duraud performed splendid work in the care of First French Army pack animals with great skill and attention to duty.

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BUY LEON-DUFOUR, Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 1ere Division Blindes, during April and May 1945 in Germany. An eminently qualified staff officer, Lieutenant Leon-Dufour contributed immeasurably to the success of his division's work.

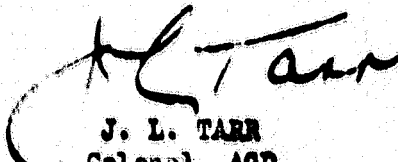
PAUL SALLES, Sous-Lieutenant, Compagnie de Transmissions 96/84, from January to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Although recovering from a serious accident, Sous-Lieutenant Salles performed with devoted attention to duty.

PAUL HUGUENY, Adjudant, 171eme Compagnie Transport, from August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. An energetic and intelligent noncommissioned officer, Adjudant Hugueny was of incomparable value to his unit.

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I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals for extraordinary heroism in action:

LOUIS CHARLES FERNAND GAMBIEZ, Lieutenant Colonel, 1er Groupement Bataillon de Choc, on 20 November 1944 and 31 January 1945 in France. On 20 November 1944, in an especially hazardous and vigorous infiltration maneuver, Lieutenant Colonel Gambiez personally led his troops through the lines of the enemy defending Belfort and effected a vigorous surprise attack against the enemy rear which wiped out the defenses at Esort. On 31 January 1945, in a remarkably well directed movement, he was responsible for breaking the last enemy resistance which stubbornly blocked the road to Colmar and went on to destroy many points of resistance which were holding up important armored attacks. His daring and aggressive leadership reflect the highest credit upon the French Army.

LAURENT BAZOT, Commandant, 4ème Bataillon de Choc, on 31 March 1945 in Germany. A commander of the highest military ability and an organizer of tireless activity, Commandant Bazot was charged with the organization and leadership of a Battalion involved in highly hazardous operations in the spearhead action against Germany. After devoting himself unsparingly to effecting its technical proficiency, he led it into combat, distinguishing himself particularly in the liberation of Haute Alsace and the crossing of the Rhine. With complete disregard for his own safety, he led his unit across the Rhine and without a pause pursued the enemy into the Black Forest, playing a great part in the success of French operations.

HENRI MENRI BONDOUX, Chef d'Escadrons, Etat-Major, 1er Armée Française, on 12 December 1944 in France. During the operations in the Hunsrück region, Chef d'Escadrons Bondoux displayed great courage and disregard for his own safety. In order to maintain contact with the elusive enemy, he personally accompanied his patrols in their various combat and reconnaissance missions along the banks of the Deller. On one of these missions he travelled over an area infested with enemy mines, in the very face of the enemy collected highly valuable information concerning the disengagement movements of the enemy and returned with this information which was greatly responsible for the success of Allied operations in that sector.

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MICHEL PERRIER, Lieutenant, 20me Regiment de Dragons, on 21 April 1945 in Austria. During the operations at Dencaschingen, Lieutenant Perrier saw that the enemy sappers were preparing to destroy the last remaining bridge across the Drube. Realising the delay this would cause, he dismounted from his tank and proceeded on foot in an attempt to prevent the action. Ignoring dangerous small arms fire, he advanced rapidly upon the bridge, laying down such a volume of accurate fire that the enemy detachment was forced to withdraw before the charges could be blown. By daring and aggressive action, he prevented a loss of life in bridging operations and allowed the campaign to continue without interruption.

II -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

ANDRE FENSCH, Lieutenant Colonel, 6eme Divisionnaire, 20me Division Marocaine, on 20 January 1945 in France. In an extremely important attack when communications between his units were destroyed, Lieutenant Colonel Fensch personally directed their repair and assured the necessary coordination for a successful operation.

SIFROY AUNIS, Lieutenant Colonel, Etat-Major, 6eme Marocains, on 14 December 1944 in France. Ignoring great danger and his own fatigue, Lieutenant Colonel Aunis executed several liaison missions to the front lines in order to obtain first-hand information for the operations against Heineck and Crécy.

FRANCOIS VIOTTE, Commandant, 3eme Bataillon de Choc, on 31 January 1945 in France. Directing his troops with exceptional skill, Commandant Viotte assured the occupation of Durrnentzen and rendered invaluable assistance in clearing the way for the final assault on the Rhine.

PIERRE ROBERT JEAN LEGUAY, Chef de Bataillon, 9eme Reg. ant de Zouaves, on 21 November 1944 in France. Chef de Bataillon Leguay played the leading part in the capture of Chevannes-les-Grand, showing an unusual courage in the face of danger.

EDOUARD PIERRE LUCIEN PAIS, Chef de Bataillon, Commandant les Transmissions, 9eme Division d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 2 April 1945 in France. During the crossing of the Rhine at Leimorheim, Chef de Bataillon Pais ignored great danger to assure himself that telephonic communications were maintained.

ADOLPHE SCHOLIER, Chef de Bataillon, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 4 April 1945 in Germany. Despite intense shelling and automatic weapons fire, Chef de Bataillon Scholier made several dangerous liaison missions to units in contact with the enemy.

EDOUARD GAUDY, Chef d'Escadron, Artillerie de la 1ere Armee Francaise, on 18 November 1944 in France. During an extremely vicious enemy counterattack south of Altkirch, Chef d'Escadron Gaudy displayed great courage in directing artillery fire from a dangerous advanced observation post.

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MARCEL DUVERGER, Chef d'Escadron, 67eme Regiment d'Artilleurie d'Afrique, on 22 March 1945 in Germany. Chef d'Escadron Duverger volunteered to go 1500 meters ahead of the infantry to adjust artillery fire against a strong enemy position in the Siegfried line.

JOLES RENE COMERRE, Capitaine, Regiment d'Artilleurie Coloniale du Levant, on 25 April 1945 in Germany. When assaulted by a strong enemy force, Capitaine Comerre conducted the defense of Bad Durrleim with exemplary courage.

GUSTAVE LAPORTE, Capitaine, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 24 January 1945 in France. While at the head of his platoons, Capitaine Laporte was responsible for destroying three Jagdpanther tanks by a bold maneuver.

PIERRE DE DURTEL DE CHASSEY, Capitaine, Regiment de Marche de la Legion Etrangere, on 9 April 1945 in France. Entering Pinache with the first assault troops, Capitaine de Durstel de Chassey was responsible for the capture of 30 prisoners.

PAUL ALBERT CAMORS, Capitaine, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 24 January 1945 in France. By reason of his superior and brave leadership, Capitaine Camors was able to repel a vicious counterattack with heavy losses to the enemy.

GERARD TOURNIER, Capitaine, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 22 January 1945 in France. Displaying great courage and daring, Capitaine Tournier distinguished himself in a savage struggle for the Bourzwiller factory and took 70 prisoners in the action.

GEORGES JOSEPH ERNEST DUMONT, Capitaine, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, on 31 March 1945 in France. Working in close liaison with U.S. Army units, Capitaine Dumont contributed immensely to the success of engineer activities during the crossing of the Rhine at Spiro.

LOUIS HUBERT, Capitaine, 1er Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 21 March 1945 in France. In the presence of enemy infantry and artillery on terrain replete with obstacles, Capitaine Hubert succeeded in maintaining his Goums in close contact with the enemy and displayed great courage in reconnaissances near the Siegfried Line.

YVES ARGUILLERES, Lieutenant, (1er Groupement de Bataillons de Choc), on 13 April 1945 in Germany. As operations officer for his unit, Lieutenant Arguilleres displayed supreme disregard for his own safety in performing numerous liaison missions near Hoffen and gaining information of extreme value.

JOSEPH ROPARS, Lieutenant, (6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains), on 16 October 1944 in France. As commander of a mortar platoon during the attack on Haut du Faing, Lieutenant Ropars devoted himself with exemplary courage and audacity to the task of giving close support to the attacking rifle companies.

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HENRY EDMOND RENAULT, Lieutenant, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, on 11 April 1945 in Germany. With a courage which has become one of the traditions of his regiment, Lieutenant Renault directed the accurate fire of his mortar platoon on the city of Neuenburg and contributed greatly to the capture of surrounding heights.

EDOUARD JAUPART, Lieutenant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, on 31 December 1944 in France. Lieutenant Jaupart ignored heavy enemy shelling to supply the heavy fire requested by the hard-pressed infantry, thereby displaying the greatest military skill under the most exacting circumstances.

JEAN BESANCON, Sous-Lieutenant, 27eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 25 November 1944 in France. Displaying great heroism and courage, Sous-Lieutenant Besancon earned particular distinction during the action at la Bresse by carrying a comrade back from a field of exploding mines.

PIERRE NICOU, Adjudant-Chef, Compagnie 806/1 des Transmissions, on 16 August 1944 in France. Receiving a grenade wound at St. Tropez, Adjudant-Chef Nicoud refused to be evacuated, and assumed command of a decimated platoon to restore disrupted telephone communications in spite of aggressive enemy action.

LOUIS MERLIN, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 25 April 1945 in Germany. Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Merlin was the first to approach the town of Pforzheim, and when his tank was destroyed he refused to be evacuated and took the place of his wounded platoon leader.

ANDRE RICOU, Sergent, 10leme Regiment du Genie, on 17 and 18 March 1945 in France. During commando operations on the right bank of the Rhine, Sergent Ricou was in charge of a rescue boat and was responsible for the safe evacuation of a large number of men in the face of devastating enemy small arms and artillery fire.

III --AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September, 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in connection with military operations:

EDMOND JAUD, Commandant, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, from 10 to 18 April 1945 in Germany. In a mine-infested area strongly held by the enemy, Commandant Jaud performed many dangerous liaison missions.

PIERRE ERNEST JEAN LEGUAY, Chef de Bataillon, 9eme Regiment de Zouaves, on 21 November 1944 in France. During the conquest of Chavannes-les-Grands, Chef de Bataillon Leguay displayed fine personal bravery under enemy fire.

FRANCE PAQUETEAU, Chef de Bataillon, Commandement du Genie, 1ere Armee Francaise, on 31 March 1945 in Germany. Especially during the crossing of the Rhine at Germersheim, Chef de Bataillon Paqueteau displayed great courage when the first assault waves were caught in devastating fire.

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ALBERT SCHWEITZER, Chef de Bataillon, 10eme Division d'Infanterie, in France. An infantry battalion commander, Chef de Bataillon Schweitzer demonstrated great courage and fine leadership during the Vosges operations.

DU CHEST DE VILLENEUVE, Chef de Bataillon, 8leme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 11 and 12 April 1945 in Germany. Chef de Bataillon du Crest de Villeneuve particularly distinguished himself by his bravery at Rastatt.

ALAIN BERTHELOT, Chef d'Escadrons, 5eme Regiment de Spahis Marocains, on 22 April 1945 in Germany. During the operations in the Black Forest, Chef d'Escadrons Berthelot performed with efficiency and calm under enemy fire.

RAYMOND PARUIT, Chef d'Escadron, 9eme Division d'Infanterie Coloniale, in Germany. A tireless and energetic worker, Chef d'Escadron Paruit executed many reconnaissance missions in the face of grave danger with utter calm.

ROBERT MAURICE VIARD, Chef d'Escadron, Service des Essences, 1ere Armee Francaise, on 16 August 1944 in France. Chef d'Escadron Viard landed in Southern France with French elements attached to the U.S. Seventh Army and accomplished excellent liaison work under difficulties.

MAX FERRY, Medecin Commandant, 33eme Bataillon Medical, in February 1945 in France. Commanding a reserve medical battalion, Commandant Ferry demonstrated his intrepidity while directing difficult functions of his unit.

MAURICE PIERRE CLAUDE BROCHET, Capitaine, Etat-Major, Combat Command 6, in Germany. A superior 3eme Bureau officer, Capitaine Brochet's dangerous liaison missions contributed immeasurably to the success of his command.

CHARLES RAUX, Capitaine, 17eme Regiment Colonial du Genie, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. Capitaine Raux's personal participation in the mine clearing activities at Talheim Pass won him the admiration of the infantry.

JEAN RENON, Capitaine, 1er Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, on 6 May 1945 in Germany. Capitaine Renon carried out an extremely hazardous liaison mission displaying supreme disregard for his own safety.

PIERRE MARIE VINCIGUERRA, Capitaine, 3eme Bataillon de Choc, on 8 April 1945 in Germany. Demonstrating energetic leadership, Capitaine Vinciguerra led a commando assault on Pforzheim with audacity and decision.

RAYMOND MANIL, Capitaine, 2eme Bataillon de Choc, in November 1944 in France. During the fighting in Upper Alsace, Capitaine Manil combined his fine sense of tactics with personal bravery to attain unqualified success.

JEAN MOFFRE, Capitaine, 180eme Bataillon du Genie, on 12 April 1945 in Germany. A superior engineer officer, Capitaine Moffre made a series of daring reconnaissances which led to the establishment of a Rhine bridge at Kehl.

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LOUIS BLANCHARD, Capitaine, Commandement du Train, 1er Corps d'Armee, on 16 April 1945 in Germany. Capitaine Blanchard made a daring reconnaissance in order to assure his transportation command the best routes of movement.

DEMETRIUS EXIGA, Capitaine, Commandement du Train, 1er Corps d'Armee, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. Notably during the Alsace campaign, Capitaine Exiga's bold leadership contributed immensely to the success of Allied work.

GILBERT VIZIER, Capitaine, 62eme Regiment d'Artilleirie d'Afrique, from 14 to 16 November 1944 in France. During the combat at Beutal and Lougros, Capitaine Vizier went forward with advance infantry elements to assure close support.

ANDRE BRENOT, Capitaine, 5eme Division Blindes, on 2 February 1945 in France. Though wounded in a reconnaissance action at Colmar, Capitaine Brenot was able to succeed in obtaining valuable command information.

GABRIEL JULES CROS, Capitaine, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, in August 1944 in France. During the operations at Toulon, Capitaine Cros was an outstanding example of bravery to his men.

JEAN REGNERY, Capitaine, 3eme Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, in December 1944 in France. During the combat at la Poutroie and le Bonhomme, Capitaine Rognery displayed supreme disregard for his safety.

FRANCOIS GOUZY, Capitaine, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, 18 March 1945 in France. Capitaine Gouzy crossed the Moder River in a bold personal action and audaciously led his command on in a daring attack on Fort-Louis.

PIERRE JOSEPH ODRY, Capitaine, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, on 5 April 1945 in Germany. During the vicious fighting at Lauffen, Capitaine Odry made a reconnaissance which greatly facilitated the town's overthrow.

JEAN GIRVES, Capitaine, 81eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 11 and 12 April 1945 in Germany. In the action at Rastatt, Capitaine Girves was a courageous example for his combat-weary command.

ARMAND LE QUILLOU, Medecin Capitaine, 25eme Bataillon Medical, on 10 April 1945 in Germany. Scorning great danger, Capitaine le Guillou gave of his humane profession while in a heavy enemy artillery barrage.

ROBERT FINANCE, Medecin Capitaine, 25eme Bataillon Medical, from 20 January to 5 February 1945 in France. Unstintingly, Capitaine Finance worked vigorously to care for the wounded during the operations at Mulhouse.

HENRI CAMUS, Lieutenant, 1er Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, on 17 April 1945 in Germany. Lieutenant Camus demonstrated repeated acts of courage during his unit's participation in the fighting for Lake Constance.

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MAURICE CANDAS, Lieutenant, 630me Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 15 April 1945 in Germany. Under the most difficult of circumstances, Lieutenant Candas performed a hazardous reconnaissance mission.

RENE MERCIER, Lieutenant, 170me Regiment Colonial du Genie, on 29 March 1945 in France. In preparation for the bridging operations at Speyer, Lieutenant Mercier accomplished a dangerous and vital reconnaissance mission.

YVES KERVOUET, Lieutenant, 50me Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. In the heat of the battle at Biberach, Lieutenant Kervouet conducted himself with remarkable valor.

MARIUS MATHIEU, Sous-Lieutenant, 20me Groupe de Tabers Marocains, on 8 December 1944 in France. Sous-Lieutenant Mathieu conducted a personal observation at Lapoutroie under a thunderous artillery barrage.

JEROME GENEVRIER, Sous-Lieutenant, 30me Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, on 21 January 1945 in France. Completely encircled by enemy armor, Sous-Lieutenant Genevrier performed command miracles to extricate his unit.

JEAN GABRIELLI, Sous-Lieutenant, 40me Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 2 April 1945 in Germany. Under concentrated counterbattery fire, Sous-Lieutenant Gabrielli exhibited determined courage in the Grabca battle.

ROGER HENRAT, Sous-Lieutenant, 490me Regiment d'Infanterie, on 7 April 1945 in Germany. Leading a brilliantly executed attack on Sonnenberg, Sous-Lieutenant Henrat crushed the bitterly defended positions completely.

NOEL PILOT, Aspirant, 100e Division Blindée, on 23 April 1945 in Germany. During the attack against the strongly defended enemy strongpoint of Ulm, Aspirant Pilot demonstrated extraordinarily proficient leadership.

ANDRE CHARLES REFFAS, Aspirant, 270me Regiment d'Infanterie, on 24 and 25 April 1945 in Germany. In the Harbach-Donaueschingen sector, Aspirant Reffas was conspicuous for his personal fortitude and his generous encouragement.

ROGER PENEL, Aspirant, 140me Compagnie Mutiliers, on 23 January 1945 in France. Aspirant Penel parried German infiltration attempts on U.S. front-line supplies at Tanach.

LEON FAYE, Adjudant-Chef, 2110me Bataillon de Ponts Lourds, on 31 March 1945 in Germany. Adjudant-Chef Faye demonstrated great courage in leading a platoon of storm boats across the Rhine at Lingolfeld.

JOSEPH THETIOT, Adjudant-Chef, 640me Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 27 April 1945 in Germany. During a night action at Huffingen, Adjudant-Chef Thotiet was responsible for the repulse of a dangerous enemy patrol.

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ANDRE ACHIN, Adjudant-Chef, Compagnie de Transmissions 71/84, on 16 April 1945 in Germany. During the vitally important operations on the Baden Plain, Adjudant-Chef Achin displayed a remarkable energy and personal courage.

CHARLES POTIRON DE BOISFLEURY, Adjudant, 2eme Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 15 April 1945 in Germany. By a masterpiece of deception, Adjudant Potiron de Boisfleury and one Goumier duped an enemy forward force into withdrawing.

ABEL JAVELOT, Adjudant, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, in Germany. An outstandingly courageous soldier, Adjudant Javelot was continually impelling his men to follow his own heroic example.

MICHEL FLORIN, Adjudant, 1er Bataillon de Zouaves, on 8 April 1945 in Germany. Fighting with his men at Ittersbach, Adjudant Florin so inspired them that his unit achieved complete success in the operation.

PAUL LACROIX, Adjudant, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 23 January 1945 in France. During the combat at Cite Anna, Adjudant Lacroix exemplified the finest and most heroic traditions of the French Army.

PIERRE ALLEGRE, Adjudant, 1ere Division Blindée, on 30 April 1945 in Germany. Fighting with unrelenting drive, Adjudant Allegre set an example of the highest inspiration during the engagement at Immenstadt.

JACQUES GUILLEMETAUD, Sergent-Chef, 1er Bataillon de Zouaves, on 10 April 1945 in Germany. Proceeding alone in advance of his unit, Sergent-Chef Guillemetaud made a dangerous reconnaissance of enemy antitank positions.

ROGER LARRIEUX, Sergent-Chef, 49eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 27 March 1945 in France. Sergent-Chef Larrioux succeeded in cutting off an SS patrol which had crossed the Rhine at Fort-Louis and captured the leader and two men.

ADOLPHE HAFNER, Sergent-Chef, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 25 January 1945 in France. Particularly distinguishing himself at Cite Anna, Sergent-Chef Hafner gave proof of outstanding bravery in the line of duty.

JEAN SAGUET, Sergent-Chef, 2eme Groupe de Tabors Marocains, on 17 April 1945 in Germany. Sergent-Chef Saguet returned from a vital liaison mission with information of extreme value in a vehicle riddled with bullets.

ALBERT ARLLOT, Sergent-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 20 November 1944 in France. Leading his platoon in vicious hand-to-hand fighting at Largitzen, Sergent-Chef Arlot contributed much to his unit's victory.

YVES GEORGES LOUIS LAVERGNE, Sergent-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 17 October 1944 in France. In the fighting at Haut du Faing, Sergent-Chef Lavergne led his mortars in dangerously close support of infantry.

RAYMOND LOUIS ANTOINE LAMOUREUX, Sergent-Chef, 1er Bataillon de Choc, in Germany. A model of attention to duty, Sergent-Chef Lamoureux remained on radio monitoring duty in the face of an impassioned enemy attack.

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PIERRE EUGENE MAGE, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef, 64eme Regiment d'Artilleurie d'Afrique, on 24 and 25 April 1945 in Germany. In close support of forward infantry, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef Mage inflicted heavy losses on the enemy with his machine gun.

PIERRE MOUCHOT, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef, 38eme Groupe des F.T.A., on 19 April 1945 in Germany. Marochal-des-Logis-Chef Mouchot gained the admiration of his comrades at Kensington by his display of courage.

JEAN DUNAND, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef, 8eme Regiment de Dragons, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. Calmly assisting in the leadership of his platoon, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef Dunand distinguished himself by his bravery.

HENRI KIMS, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef, 1er Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, on 24 April 1945 in Germany. Marochal-des-Logis-Chef Kims gave an outstanding example of courage in the operations at Engen.

MARIANO BUIQUES, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef, 63eme Regiment d'Artilleurie Blindée, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. Performing bravely under fire, Marochal-des-Logis-Chef Guigues was of great value to his unit.

DOMINIQUE PIETRI, Marochal-des-Logis, 8eme Regiment de Dragons, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. The courageous action performed by Marochal-des-Logis Pietri at Schramberg reflected the highest soldierly qualities.

PAUL REVELLAT, Marochal-des-Logis, 3eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 30 April 1945 in Germany. Marochal-des-Logis Revellat showed extreme courage in the performance of his duties at Thanners.

JULIEN FABIE, Sergent, 20eme Bataillon de Chasseurs Alpins, on 7 April 1945 in Germany. Sergent Fabie fought magnificently in his unit's assault on an antitank block near Koenigsbach.

JEAN BOUTTENY, Sergent, 2eme Bataillon de Choc, in France. Sergent Boutteny distinguished himself during the action at Massevaux, holding his position despite a violent enemy artillery barrage.

JOSEPH LECA, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, on 19 March 1945 in France. Chief of a telephone crew, Sergent Leca served to maintain his unit's service while under heavy enemy fire.

MOHAMED ALLALI, Caporal-Chef, 3eme Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, in November 1944 in France. Caporal-Chef Allali gave a continuous example of his calm and self-possession under violent enemy fire at Belfort.

PAUL BERTHAUD, Caporal-Chef, 4eme Bataillon de Choc, on 7 December 1944 in France. During the heavy fighting at Rommormatt, Caporal-Chef Berthaud replaced his wounded squad leader and bravely led the squad on to its objective.

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ANDRE TESSIER, Caporal-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, on 8 April 1945 in Germany. Caporal-Chef Tessier led his squad in the attack on a strong enemy position and routed a superior enemy force.

ROBERT TOURET, Brigadier-Chef, 1er Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, on 28 April 1945 in Germany. Brigadier-Chef Touret's exemplary courage while at Lake Constance inspired those working with him.

AHMED ABDI, Caporal, 3eme Groupement de Bataillons de Choc, on 15 August 1944 in France. Caporal Abdi gave a striking display of his courageous ability during the landing at Provence.

ANDRE RATEAU, Caporal, 2eme Bataillon de Choc, on 27 November 1944 in France. During the action at Ullasse-Vaux, Caporal Rateau volunteered for a hazardous patrol which returned with several prisoners.

GASTON PERRAUT, Caporal, 17eme Regiment Colonial du Genie, on 31 March 1945 in France. Though wounded, Caporal Perraut valiently continued his mission as motorboat crew chief and made many crossings under mortar fire.

MOHAMMED BEN LARBI, Caporal, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, on 31 March 1945 in Germany. Caporal Mohammed ben Larbi displayed extraordinary calm and courage under heavy enemy fire at Rheinsheim.

JEAN DUCHENE, Caporal, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 24 January 1945 in France. Wounded in the action at Nonnenbruch, Caporal Duchene nevertheless gave an outstanding example of courage.

KASSEM BEN MOHAMED, Caporal, 14eme Compagnie Muletiers, in France. While working with the 112th U.S. Infantry Regiment, Caporal Kassem ben Mohamed displayed exceptional devotion to duty and a ready courage.

PAUL HENRY JOURDAN, Brigadier, 12eme Regiment de Dragons de Reconnaissance, in August 1944 in France. Brigadier Jourdan performed a number of dangerous missions which resulted in the liberation of encircled groups of Maquis.

JEAN NOEL EDSME, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 23eme Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, on 9 February 1945 in France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Edsme showed outstanding bravery at Ottmarshelm during difficult combat operations.

MARCEL PERRAULT, 1er Canonier, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, on 16 April 1945 in Germany. 1er Canonier Perrault demonstrated remarkable self-control under fire and continued his duty until wounded.

ANDRE BURTIN, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 5eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, on 19 November 1944 in France. During the hazardous operations in the vicinity of Oberskirch, Soldat de 1ere Classe Burtin performed his duty with magnificent courage and drive.

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LEON DASTRE-VIGNE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 152eme Regiment d'Infanterie, on 14 November 1944 in France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Dastre-Vigne attacked an enemy position of three machine guns and aided greatly in its reduction.

ALBERT CREUZE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 1er Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, on 20 April 1945 in Germany. Soldat de 2eme Classe Creuze's heroic conduct at Dechingen was exemplary.

ROBERT PAGEOT, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Compagnie 526/1 des Transmissions, in France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Pageot was conspicuous in his leadership of a mine-clearance crew during the Alsace operations.

MAAMAR HATMI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Spahis Algeriens, on 8 February 1945 in France. While participating in the crossing of the Huningao Canal, Soldat de 2eme Classe Hatmi performed with signal courage.

ROGER MONTEIL, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Spahis Algeriens, on 26 and 27 April 1945, in Germany. In an inspiring feat of arms, Soldat de 2eme Classe Monteil captured 42 Germans single-handed.

ANDRE DUMONT, 2eme Canonnier, 63eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, from 11 to 13 April 1945 in Germany. During the fighting at Dobel and Kaltenborn, 2eme Canonnier Dumont reflected the highest credit upon the French Army.

IV -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

EDMOND ALEXANDRE PHILIPPE CARROT, Lieutenant Colonel, 10eme Division d'Infanterie, in France and Germany. As divisional surgeon, Lieutenant Colonel Carrot created and maintained an exceptionally efficient medical unit.

MARCEL PAUL LOUIS EDMOND FEVRE, Commandant, Formation Chirurgicale Mobile No. 5, from 4 February to 7 May 1945 in France and Germany. Commandant Fevre displayed genuine ability in directing the functions of his surgical command.

RAYMOND BINET, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 4eme Division Marocaine, in France and Germany. As G-1 of his division, Chef de Bataillon Binet contributed indefatigable labor and competence to his command's success.

PAUL FRANCOIS MARIE DUMAS DE CHAMPVALLIER, Chef d'Escadrons, 10eme Division d'Infanterie, during January and February 1945 in France. As Deputy Chief of Staff, Chef d'Escadrons Dumas de Champvallier demonstrated remarkable organizational and command ability.

PAUL MARIE ALBERT LETELLIER DE BROTHONNE, Chef d'Escadrons, Etat-Major de l'Arme Blindée, in France and Germany. Chef d'Escadrons Letellier de Brothonne contributed immeasurably to the total success of Allied arms.

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JEAN BARLIER, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 1ere Division Blindée, in France and Germany. A superior staff officer, Capitaine Barlier worked with unlimited zeal and devotion toward facilitating the success of his division.

GUY VALENTIN, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 14eme Division d'Infanterie, in France and Germany. Since the activation of his division, Capitaine Valentin labored with unsurpassed energy to contribute to its successful operations.

PAUL VITALI, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, from January to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Capitaine Vitali was of material aid in the solution of difficult supply problems during the winter.

PIERRE SOUCALE, Capitaine, Direction Intendance, 1ere Armee Francaise, from August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. With unusual enterprize and superb judgment, Capitaine Soucale fulfilled his supply functions in an exceptionally fine manner.

PIERRE EVAIN, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 1ere Division Blindée, in France and Germany. Capitaine Evain handled complicated and delicate movement problems with great skill and striking success.


ROBERT JULES EMILIEN RAYMOND PATRY, Capitaine, Service des Munitions, 1ere Armee Francaise, from August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Despite innumerable difficulties, Capitaine Patry maintained a steady flow of vital ammunition supplies to the front.

NORBERT JOSEPH CHARLES BLAZY, Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 3eme Division d'Infanterie, in France and Germany. Lieutenant Blazy was of immeasurable value to his command for the handling of difficult reinforcement and reorganization work.

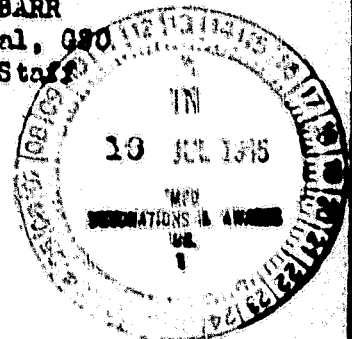
ANDRE JANVIER, Sous-Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 1ere Armee Francaise, in France and Germany. Responsible for work in the Decorations Section, Sous-Lieutenant Janvier played a conspicuous part in the functions of the command.

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Adjutant General

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- Award of the Bronze Star Medal, First Oak Leaf Cluster. I
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I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

FILMORE JAFFE, O-1294482, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Corsica, France and Germany.

II -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT: By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for heroic achievement in connection with military operations:

AUSTIN J. MARY, O-314589, Captain, SC, Headquarters 46th Signal Heavy Construction Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 24 March 1945, in France. As Commanding Officer, Company "A", at the time, Captain Mary and an enlisted man were on a reconnaissance near Hagenau on 24 March 1945 when cries were heard from someone apparently in distress. Investigation of the calls disclosed two Frenchmen, one dead and one seriously injured, lying about 50 yards off the road. The wounded man indicated that the area between them was mined. Captain Mary and the accompanying soldier then proceeded carefully through the mined area and carried the wounded man to safety. His personal courage and willingness to risk his life in order to help a fellow man are representative of the finest in military attributes.

DONALD J. MORILLAND, 33883605, Technician Fifth Grade, Company "A", 46th Signal Heavy Construction Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 24 March 1945, in France. While on official duty, during the course of a reconnaissance with an officer on 24 March 1945, near Hagenau, France, Corporal Morolland, in reply to calls of distress emanating from about 50 yards off the road, proceeded over the terrain which he had been warned was mined to give aid. With the officer, he proceeded to carry a seriously wounded Frenchman over the same ground to safety. His personal courage and willingness to risk his life for the purpose of helping a fellow man are consistent with the highest traditions of the military service.

III -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

WILLARD R. SEDYCOUR, O-403505, Lieutenant Colonel, QAC, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

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R. J. SINNOTT, O-323330, Lieutenant Colonel, Inf., Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 1 November 1944 to 15 March 1945, in France and Germany.

PHILIP ST. G. COCKE, O-885058, Major, Cav., 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 2 December 1944 to 22 December 1944, in France.

EDWARD J. LAVELLE, Jr., O-1633358, Major, SC, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 12 May 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Corsica, Italy, France and Germany.

BYRON M. MARKLE, O-324345, Major, Inf., Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 1 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

FRANCOIS DE PANAFIEU, Major, French Army, from 15 September 1944 to 15 March 1945, in France.

HUBERT L. ST. ONGE, O-1285134, Major, Inf., 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France.

JOE K. ROBINSON, O-2055464, Captain, QMC, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 18 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JAMES S. ARTHURS, O-1111826, First Lieutenant, CE, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

BERNARD J. BECK, O-1646858, First Lieutenant, SC, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 22 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

SYLVESTER W. DRACY, O-1002904, First Lieutenant, AGD, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 5 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

CHARLES O. HOPPER, O-1633985, First Lieutenant, SC, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 29 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JULIAN M. WEIGLE, O-1582252, First Lieutenant, QMC, Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

REUBEN H. WELLS, O-1638767, First Lieutenant, SC, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 23 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

LEWIS H. GRAND, O-2011126, Second Lieutenant, AUS, Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 15 August 1944 to 1 May 1945, in France and Germany.

MICHEL F. JULHARD, Second Lieutenant, French Army, from 15 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ALDO F. BELLO, 13114914, First Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JOE M. CUMBER, 14081068, First Sergeant, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 8 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in France and Germany.

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ALVIN J. BREDALL, 37193306, Master Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

HOWARD M. NUNN, 38163187, Master Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

HERBERT R. WILLIG, 18103028, Master Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

RALPH S. SILVER, Jr., 32434239, Technical Sergeant, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 20 August 1944 to 20 November 1944 in France.

CHARLES VENTRIGLIA, 36161548, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 5 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

SIMON ARBIB, 32857246, Staff Sergeant, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 10 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

WILLIAM R. CLAY, 12183109, Staff Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 22 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JOHN E. KAIN, 17119098, Staff Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

BILLY R. LAWSON, 38386067, Staff Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

CHESTER W. REIMER, 36268250, Staff Sergeant, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 15 September 1944 to 5 May 1945, in France and Germany.

PHILIP V. SHADE, 35031736, Staff Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ERNEST C. KNECHT, 36634804, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 21 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JOSEPH C. LAFFERTY, 13175699, Technician Third Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

HENRY A. OLSEN, 39385868, Technician Third Grade, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 15 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

DEAN J. BOMBASSY, 12168617, Sergeant, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 17 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ROBERT G. LAWTON, 38217822, Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

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CHARLES L. ROUNTREE, 32755950, Sergeant, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 14 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

WILLIAM P. SCHUSTER, 32574269, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 21 August 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ROBERTO A. CELLA, 32522369, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 8 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ERNEST J. DUVOISIN, 38377753, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 20 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

BRUCE N. FOSTER, 38349837, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

DANTE GALANTE, 32849554, Technician Fourth Grade, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 15 August 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Italy, France and Germany.

THOMAS F. HARPER, 15330255, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JAMES C. HOLLINGSWORTH, 38388027, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

HARRY HOPPE, 32283153, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

PAUL A. LOPATA, 33693374, Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 6th Army Group, from 23 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

THOMAS F. MORRISSEY, 37319913, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

MAURICE E. NYGARD, 37284425, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 20 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

CLARENCE V. OSSELL, 17108950, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

EUGENE H. ROEM, 17080196, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

AUGUSTINE A. ROYDER, 35587116, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

HOWARD L. SANDERS, 32561101, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

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FREDERICK H. SCHAEFER, 38377799, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

THOMAS J. SCRODIN, 32575682, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

CHARLES W. SKINNER, 39250644, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JOSEPH STAROWICZ, 12200156, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

FRANK A. SYDER, Jr., 35586848, Technician Fourth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

CIRO M. BACA, 38217884, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 15 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ROBERT M. COCKER, 38217810, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JUAN GARCIA, 38217746, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

LEOPOLDO GUTIERREZ, 38217675, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ANTHONY J. LUPO, 38377210, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 3 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

EVERETT M. RAFFEL, 12192852, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JESSE F. WHITE, 34729447, Technician Fifth Grade, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ROBERT F. BREW, 39919642, Private First Class, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ULUSS J. GREEN, 38208836, Private First Class, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 20 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

EDWIN J. KAMPHAUS, 35455287, Private First Class, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 20 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

MARVIN FELLOW, 13175748, Private First Class, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

MURRAY O. ZACHARY, 12186012, Private First Class, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

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FERNANDO A. JIMENEZ, 38217932, Private, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

IV -- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named individual, for wounds received in action:

RALPH HOLT, 34067993, Sergeant, Company "C", 827th Tank Destroyer Battalion, for wounds received on 19 January 1944, near Hatten, France.

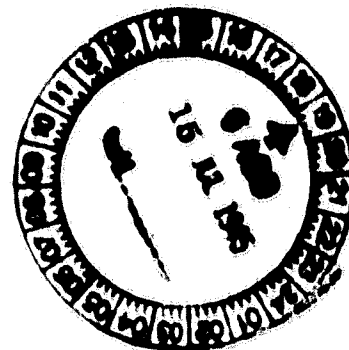
OK **IV -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - RESCISSION OF AWARD.** So much of Section II, General Orders Number 51, this headquarters, 25 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to **PIERRE GAYET, Chef de Bataillon, French Army,** is rescinded.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL DEVERS:

DAVID G. BARR,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II
Award of the Air Medal, Fifth Oak Leaf Cluster. III

I -- AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under the provisions of Section I, War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, as amended, the following named unit is awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque:

251st Signal Heavy Construction Company, for superior performance of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks for the period 1 February 1945 to 31 March 1945.

II -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

ACHLEY P. QUIRK, 114062, Lieutenant Commander, United States Naval Reserve, SCI Detachment, ETOUSA, from 1 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

PIERRE RUAUD, Major, French Army, 503d Transportation Battalion, from 6 June 1944 to 28 July 1944, in Italy.

PIERRE AUGUST LAROCHE, First Lieutenant, French Army, 102nd Transportation Company, from 6 June 1944 to 28 July 1944, in Italy.

DAVID WILNER, 12150763, Sergeant, 129th Signal Radio Intelligence Company, from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

FRANK H. SZUR, 16114956, Technician Fourth Grade, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 20 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

JOHN DOMOSKI, 32767046, Technician Fifth Grade, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 15 September 1944 to 5 May 1945, in France and Germany.

FLOYD E. SMITH, 38591179, Private First Class, 6851st Headquarters Detachment, Liaison Service, from 20 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

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III -- AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL, FIFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Fifth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

FCRD E. ALLCORN, O-324720, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, Headquarters 6th Army Group, from 14 September 1944 to 10 November 1944, in Italy.

BY COMMAND OF THE ARMY GROUP COMMANDER:

DAVID G. BARR,
Major General, USA,
Chief of Staff.

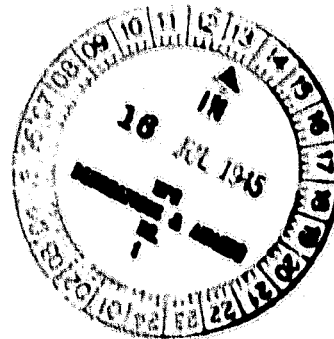
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16 July 1945

Award of the Bronze Star Medal, First Oak Leaf Cluster. I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II
Commendation. III
Award of the Bronze Star Medal, Decision of Award. IV

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

HENRI d'HONINCHUN, First Lieutenant, French Army, from 20 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

ANDRE J. PAZERY, First Lieutenant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

II -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations:

HENRY JOSEPH MARIE GABRIEL PARTIOT, Major French Army, from 10 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France.

LE VICOMTE R. DE DREUZY, Captain, French Army, from 3 March 1945 to 5 May 1945 in France.

ANDRE BERTS, First Lieutenant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

CHARLES A. BRETON, First Lieutenant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

PIERRE CLAVEL, Second Lieutenant, French Army, from November 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

HENRY MERLIER, Second Lieutenant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

GEORGINE DE BRUYER, Lieutenant, French Army, from 15 September 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

GUSTAVE D. MAINE, Chief Warrant Officer, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

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RAYMOND COLLIN, Warrant Officer, French Army, from September 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

BERNARD PIEBOEUF, Warrant Officer, French Army, from December 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

HEME MASSON, Master Sergeant, French Army, from November 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

JEAN DU PAC DE MARSOUILLIS, Marechal des Logis Chef, French Army, from 15 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

MAURICE SALASC, Technical Sergeant, French Army, from 18 November 1945 to May 1945, in Italy, France and Germany.

RAYMOND COUVIN, Technical Sergeant, French Army, from December 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

EMILE ROIG, Technical Sergeant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

SAUVEUR BUONO, Technical Sergeant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

AURTHUR DE MEYERE, Technical Sergeant, French Army, from December 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

ALBERT DESCHATRES, Staff Sergeant, French Army, from February 1944 to May 1945, in Italy, France and Germany.

JEAN LAFAGE, Staff Sergeant, French Army, from 20 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany.

PAUL BENDANO, Staff Sergeant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

GEORGES LEYGAT, Sergeant, French Army, from April 1945 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

JACQUES ZIRAPHA, Sergeant, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

PAUL DELOEUE, Sergeant, French Army, from November 1943 to May 1945, in Italy, France and Germany.

HENRI BARTHE, Corporal, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

ROBERT SYBILLIN, Corporal, French Army, from January 1945 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

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PHILIPPE L. DE VILMORIN, Corporal, French Army, from August 1944 to May 1945, in France and Germany.

III — COMMENDATION. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, 30 June 1928, the following unit is commended for superior performance of an exceptionally difficult mission in France and Germany from 27 August 1944 to 8 May 1945:

Headquarters Continental Advance Section. Charged with close logistical support of 6th Army Group and its combat elements, this unit accomplished its mission with outstanding success despite the unprecedented advance of the armies through Southern France, the greatly extended lines of communication and the extremely difficult problems of transportation. It was called upon to supervise reconstruction of ports in Southern France, to reopen railroads, to restore highway communications, to utilize all available means of transportation and to receive, store, issue and distribute critical supplies. Its unqualified success in meeting every demand enabled exploitation of each opportunity as it arose and was a substantial and valued contribution to the Allied war effort.

IV — AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, RESCISSION OF AWARD.

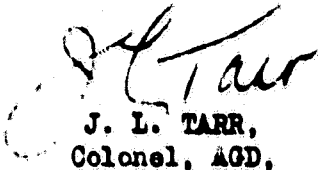
So much of Section III, General Orders Number 55, this headquarters, 30 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to ALBERT ARIOT, Sergeant-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, is rescinded.

So much of Section III, General Orders Number 55, this headquarters, 30 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to PIERRE ERNEST JEAN LEGUAY, Chef de Bataillon, 9eme Regiment de Zouaves, is rescinded.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL BARR:

WHITFIELD P. SHEPARD
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GENERAL ORDER 62/45

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal has been awarded to the following named non-commissioned officer.

GLENN A. BENNER, 35608154, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 74th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 12 September 1944. While serving as an aid man with an assault platoon which was engaged with the enemy, Sergeant Benner volunteered to organize litter teams, and supervise the removal of seriously wounded men from terrain which appeared too rugged to permit the evacuation. The removal was accomplished in plain view of the enemy and under intense enemy fire. Sergeant Benner's courageous action resulted in the officer in command of the enemy forces surrendering his group so that his wounded could be evacuated. The aggressive action, unwavering courage and ingenuity of Sergeant Benner are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL BARR:

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AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS I

I - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS:

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to 2D LIEUTENANT JULIAN W. CUMMINGS, 0472397, FA.

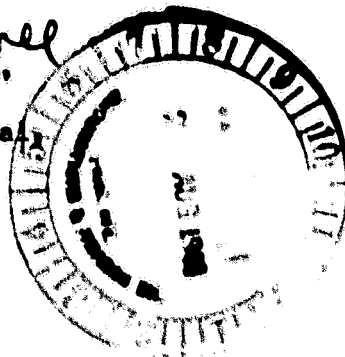
JULIAN W. CUMMINGS, Second Lieutenant, 0472397, FA. **** Field Artillery Battalion. For extraordinary heroism in action. During the assault phase of the landing **** Sicily, on **** July 1943, Lt Cummings, Battalion Artillery Air Officer, took off in a piper cub plane in advance of the required time, and under incessant fire, from an improvised runway on the deck of an LST, with utter disregard for personal safety, to spot and report positions of enemy artillery then laying highly effective fire on beaches being used to land elements of the Armed Forces. In addition, he located and reported the progress of our front line to the Force Commander. Lt Cummings landed on a coastal roadway near our Armed Forces, refueled from vehicles, and again took to the air to continue his mission. Lt Cummings' initiative, resourcefulness and extraordinary bravery under fire to accomplish an urgent mission contributed materially to the success of the operation. The distinguished service rendered by Lt Cummings reflects the finest traditions of the military service. Residence: Salt Lake City, Utah.

By Command of LIEUTENANT GENERAL PATTON:

ROBERT R. GAY,
BRIGADIER GENERAL, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

W. G. Caldwell
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- AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL I
- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR II
- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR III
- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS IV
- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS V

I - AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

✓ James H. Clontz, 14039353, Private First Class, Company "M", 288th Central Postal Directory, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 22 June 1943 off the shore of the Mediterranean Sea five miles northwest of Sidi Barrani, Tunisia, North Africa. With complete disregard for his own safety and at great personal risk, Private First Class Clontz voluntarily participated in the attempted rescue of a British Army officer of the 22nd Regiment, Royal Artillery, by straggling valiantly against a heavy sea and treacherous undertow to bring the helpless man ashore. This effort on the part of Private First Class Clontz, while endangering his own life, reflects great credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Isabella, Tennessee. ✓

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✓ Russell S. Nee, 15010091, Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 288th Central Postal Directory, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 22 May 1943, on the shore of the Mediterranean Sea five miles above Sidi Barrani, Tunisia, North Africa. When another soldier became utterly fatigued and called for help while in swimming, Sergeant Nee did, with complete disregard for his own safety and at great personal risk, jump into the heavy surf, support the exhausted and helpless man and so maneuver his body against the strong undertow that it was possible for comrades to drag him ashore and revive him by artificial respiration. This action by Sergeant Nee in saving a fellow soldier's life, while endangering his own, reflects great credit to the Armed Forces of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Lima, Ohio. ✓

✓ William W. Floyd, 7083691, Technician Fifth Grade, H. S. Company, 288th Central Postal Directory, for extraordinary heroism, not in action. Technician Fifth Grade Floyd saw a Government vehicle in flames on the highway from Sidi Barrani, Tunisia, at about 1100, on July 1, 1943. He stopped his vehicle, grabbed a fire extinguisher and ran toward the burning vehicle. He called the driver to get down by the fire extinguisher that he placed in a place of safety. Technician Fifth Grade Floyd, at the risk of his own life, returned and extinguished the flames before the gasoline tank could explode. These heroic actions saved the life of the driver and prevented the destruction of a Government vehicle. Residence at enlistment: Atlanta, Georgia. ✓

✓ James H. Healy, 3210427, Private, 2nd Operating Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 22 July 1943 at Sidi Barrani. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers up to and including 155 mm began exploding. Private Healy, knowing that all was in the path of the

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fire could not be moved at one time and he braced and helped clear adjacent sidings. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of private reflect the highest credit upon himself, and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Brooklyn, New York. ✓

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7 Joseph L. Garwood, 3924602, Corporal, 888 Operating Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 27 July 1943, at ... When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition derailed with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and emission of all sidings, including 155 m, began exploding. Corporal Garwood voluntarily acted as a member of a fire-fighting crew to remove to safety another derailed train on an adjacent siding which could otherwise have been destroyed. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Corporal Garwood reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Los Angeles, California. ✓

Malcolm Pitts, 311175, Corporal, 888 Operating Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 27 July 1943, at ... When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition derailed with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and emission of all sidings, including 155 m, began exploding. Corporal Pitts voluntarily acted as a member of a fire-fighting crew to remove to safety another derailed train on a nearby siding, which would otherwise have been destroyed. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Corporal Pitts reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Middletown, Rhode Island. ✓

James W. Harrison, 311175, Staff Sergeant, Company 1st, 888 Tank Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 27 June 1943, at ... While walking along the beach at approximately 1000, Staff Sergeant Harrison was alerted by the distant cries of a battle. He observed the leading elements of a German force being cut off to a dangerous point by the heavy anti-aircraft fire. Staff Sergeant Harrison immediately volunteered for a hazardous mission to assist the beleaguered elements of the leading elements of the 888 Tank Battalion. He successfully completed his mission and returned to his unit. His actions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Middletown, Rhode Island. ✓

Charles L. ... for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 27 July 1943, at ... When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition derailed with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and emission of all sidings, including 155 m, began exploding. Corporal ... voluntarily acted as a member of a fire-fighting crew to remove to safety another derailed train on an adjacent siding, which could otherwise have been destroyed. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Corporal ... reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: ... ✓

JOHN H. TAVERIA, 11113890, Corporal, 4th Coast Artillery (AA) Battery, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 20 July 1943, at sea. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers, up to and including 155 mm, began exploding. At great danger to himself, Corporal Taveria voluntarily acted as a member of a fire crew to remove to safety another loaded train on a nearby siding, which would otherwise have been destroyed. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Corporal Taveria reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at Eastman, Providence, Rhode Island. ✓

TORY W. IONERO, 35889027, Sergeant, 1st Railway Operating Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 20 July 1943 at sea. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers, up to and including 155 mm began exploding. At great danger to himself, and over and above the call of duty Sergeant Ionero acted as a fireman to remove another train which was only about twenty yards from the fire and exploding ammunition. His actions not only resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies but also prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Sergeant Ionero reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at time of entry into military service: Cleveland, Ohio. ✓

CHARLES O. BUTLER, 0163872, Major, 1st Railway Operating Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 20 July 1943 at sea. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers, up to and including 155 mm began exploding. At great danger to himself, Major BUTLER voluntarily rode on the front of the engine, dispatched to remove trains on adjacent sidings, from the path of the fire, which would otherwise have been destroyed. His actions as volunteer fireman, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, helped make possible the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Major BUTLER reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Lakeland, Florida. ✓

MERVIN L. BROWN, 0425621, 1st Lieutenant, 1st Grand Railway Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 20 July 1943, at sea. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers, up to and including 155 mm began exploding. Lieutenant BROWN acted as engineer on the only nearby locomotive that had up steam and with his crew moved as fast as possible from the path of the fire. His activities, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Lieutenant BROWN reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Rocky Mount, North Carolina. ✓

ROY P. NEES, 0429907, Major, 1st Grand Railway Division, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on 20 July 1943, at sea. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers, up to and including 155 mm began exploding. Major NEES, whose nearby locomotive did not have sufficient steam to move all cars in the path of the fire, at one time, Major NEES personally took charge of the stranded cars and supervised the hazardous job of

moving them to other buildings. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from falling shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Major NCO reflect the highest credit upon him and the military service. Entered military service from Fort Worth, Texas.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of AR 600-10, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

EMERSON S. S. FILLER, Lt, 015011, 1st Lt, Co, 7th, 1st Cavalry, United States Army, Sicily, Italy, in action, 12-14 March 1945, during the assault on Monte Cassino. Captain FILLER left his company to assist another officer to go to a well-known position where a half-company was encircled by artillery fire. The officer of the unit had been killed and others injured by fire, and he had ordered to abandon the position. Captain FILLER went into this fire with great courage and determination, and with the assistance of another officer, drove his vehicle and such portable pieces of equipment to an unoccupied position where he could be removed and placed in operation. Later, after being wounded in the leg and refusing to be evacuated, Captain FILLER made his way to a hospital and returned to duty with several prisoners who were captured as a result of his actions. His conduct under fire in great personal risk is symbolic of the highest American ideals. Entered military service from Milton, Massachusetts.

WALTER F. FINE, 014930, Captain, Infantry, 6th, 1st Cavalry, United States Army, Sicily, Italy, in action, 12-14 March 1945, during the assault on Monte Cassino. Captain FINE successfully led his company in the assault on Monte Cassino. He personally took part in the fighting and was wounded in the right leg while under heavy fire. He did not abandon his position and helped men and materially helped bring his unit to a successful conclusion. His action was highly commendable and reflects the highest traditions of the Service. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

CARL E. FRED, 015019, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Co 199, 1st Cavalry, United States Army, Sicily, Italy, in action, 12-14 March 1945, during the assault on Monte Cassino. Second Lieutenant FRED, together with other officers and men, bravely fought in a well-known position. He was wounded in the right leg while under heavy fire. He did not abandon his position and materially helped bring his unit to a successful conclusion. His actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Service. Entered military service from Rice, California.

Michael B. Kowalski, 010148, First Sergeant, Co 10, 1st Cavalry, United States Army, Sicily, Italy, in action, 12-14 March 1945, during the assault on Monte Cassino. First Sergeant Kowalski, with his company, was assigned to the duty of holding an important position. He was wounded in the right leg while under heavy fire. He did not abandon his position and materially helped bring his unit to a successful conclusion. His actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

serious damage and destruction to the rear of the position. He made
example was in illustration of the rest of his position. He is now
Lieutenant Colonel, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. (Mother),
1133 Bayville Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

John G. Gray, 220120, only to show during service in the
United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, while serving
Private First Class Gray was a platoon leader in the 1st Infantry
Division, on 22 April 1943. Under circumstances that were without precedent
and safety, he remained forward to the enemy machine gun positions
and held them until destroyed. He remained in the front line
until the enemy plane attacked and delivered a direct hit on the position
in the assembly area. His heroic action cost him the loss of
greatly when he was killed in action. He is now a private first class
the next of kin: Mrs. (Mother), 1133 Bayville Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

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Patrick ...
United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, while serving
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heroic courage by advancing, of his own volition, to the enemy
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with the enemy at point blank range, ...
and fired directly into the enemy ranks and ...
killed by an enemy machine gun ...
single-handed action, above and beyond the call of duty,
sacrifice of his life allowed troops to advance and ...
Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey. Next of kin:
Mrs. (Mother), 121 Pacific Street, Newark, New Jersey.

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Salvatore ...
United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, while serving
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heroic courage by advancing, of his own volition, to the enemy
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with the enemy at point blank range, ...
and fired directly into the enemy ranks and ...
killed by an enemy machine gun ...
single-handed action, above and beyond the call of duty,
sacrifice of his life allowed troops to advance and ...
Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey. Next of kin:
Mrs. (Mother), 121 Pacific Street, Newark, New Jersey.

By command of the Adjutant General ...



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serious damage and a serious blow to the morale of the population. His heroic example was an inspiration to the rest of his battalion. He was killed on 10 May 1943, near the town of ...

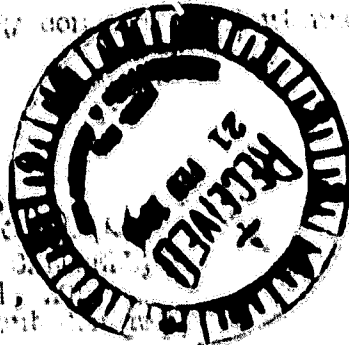
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While he collected five stragglers and in a 1/4 ton truck, drove them to safety, and returned to the scene of battle under heavy fire in an unarmored vehicle to search the area until convinced that none of his personnel or mobile equipment were left behind. By his display of superb leadership, courage, and devotion to duty Captain Williams won the highest commendation of his men and upheld the finest traditions of the military service. He was killed by machine fire while in Massachusetts. ✓

Charles S. Wallisher, 7709327, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry, United States Army, was distinguished himself in action during the attack on the Japanese position at the summit of Mt. Suribachi, Iwo Jima, on the afternoon of February 23, 1945. Captain Wallisher, upon learning that the enemy had launched an attack on the position held by Company A, immediately volunteered for duty and was assigned to lead a platoon of volunteers from his company to the summit. Permission was granted and Captain Wallisher led his platoon of 15 men to the summit. The enemy was in a position to launch an attack on the summit of Mt. Suribachi and was attempting to storm the position. Captain Wallisher and his platoon succeeded in delaying the enemy from that high point and in the process of the attack the platoon was severely wounded. Captain Wallisher was killed in action on the summit of Mt. Suribachi. His actions during the attack on the summit of Mt. Suribachi were of the highest order and he is deserving of the highest commendation. He was killed by machine fire while in the line of duty. He was killed by machine fire while in the line of duty. He was killed by machine fire while in the line of duty. ✓

V - AWARDS, POSITIONS, OR HONORARY SERVICE GRANTED.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-10, the following distinguished service awards is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

William H. ... 0130321, ... 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry, Company A, Iwo Jima, ... distinguished service award ... ✓

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I - AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to the following named Warrant Officer:

DANIEL F. BAKER, W-2162735, Warrant Officer (Jc), *** Railway Operating Battalion, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism, act in action, at ****, Sicily, on ** July 1943, during a fire caused by a runaway ammunition train. When the runaway train had ended in a flaming wreck at a dangerous distance from another ammunition train, Warrant Officer BAKER acted as break-run in the crew of the locomotive which had arrived to remove cars from the endangered ammunition train. Although fully aware of the highly dangerous zone created in the vicinity of the fire, where ammunition of all calibers and types was exploding and burning, Warrant Officer BAKER assisted in coupling the engine to the ammunition cars so that they could be withdrawn to safety. His complete disregard for his personal safety not only resulted in the saving of a considerable amount of Government property but also prevented what would have been serious damage to vital railroad facilities. Residence at enlistment: Covington, Kentucky.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR:

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

Clark E. Fueller, 93243493, Private First Class, Company "C", *** Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on ** August 1943 in the vicinity of ****, Sicily. Private First Class Fueller was instrumental in gaining a hostile enemy position in the face of withering rifle and mortar fire. In maintaining his position he displayed a type of determination and undying courage far beyond the normal call of duty and his gallant actions, which resulted with the loss of his right arm, was an inspiration to his fellow soldiers and contributed materially to the success of the operation in that zone of action. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

GERALD R. MEUNIER, 01910619, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action, on ** July 1943, ****, Sicily, Lieutenant MEUNIER in charge, together with one officer and two privates, moved on a reconnaissance mission at *** into a strongly defended enemy position and under heavy fire from both mortar and automatic weapons accomplished the reconnaissance mission and captured 30 enemy prisoners. His actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Holyoke, Massachusetts.

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HUGH E. STODDARD, 01168936, 2d Lieutenant, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** April 1943, near ***, Tunisia. When enemy shell fire cut connections from the OP to the radio which was relaying observations to his battery some distance in the rear, 2d Lt Stoddard voluntarily exposed himself to great danger and possible death in order to reestablish connections with his OP. As a result of his actions, his battery was able to fire on and silence the enemy artillery which had been shelling the OP and supporting infantry. 2d Lt Stoddard's coolness and courage under fire are a high credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from Hedbluff, California.

RAY J. GLAZE, 0455156, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, *** Ranger Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on the *** of July, 1943, south of ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Glaze, an occupant of a car in a column of vehicles travelling south on the *** road, was overtaken and attacked by enemy light tanks. Disregarding his own safety while under heavy cannon and machine gun fire he assisted in removing the wounded to safety. Lieutenant Glaze, then observing the enemy attempting to drive away the only remaining vehicle in operating condition, did by means of rifle fire kill or wound a number of the enemy. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

Murel C. Whited, 35170566, Technician Fourth Grade, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on the *** of July, 1943, near ***, Sicily. T/4 Whited while stationed near a small bridge, acting as a connecting file between units of his company, was approached by eight enemy motorcycles with two or three men on each, some with machine guns mounted. He signalled the leading motorcycle to stop but the signal was ignored and the enemy opened fire. T/4 Whited returned the fire with a sub-machine gun thereby stopping all eight of the motorcycles and killing and wounding at least ten of the enemy. His coolness and courage under fire were an inspiration to his men and are deserving of the highest praise. Entered military service from Middleboro, Kentucky.

James T. Donahue, 32269087, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion. For gallantry in action on March *** 1943, near ***, Tunisia. During an intense artillery bombardment, Private First Class Donahue on his own initiative left cover to render first aid to two enlisted men who were injured when an American ambulance was disabled by artillery fire. By his courage Private First Class Donahue helped save the lives of these two men. His conduct on this occasion is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Bordentown, New Jersey.

Robert H. Halliday, 32026866, Technician Fourth Grade, *** Company, *** Ranger Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action. On the *** of July, 1943, south of ***, Sicily, Technician Fourth Grade Halliday, together with an officer and another enlisted man, was in a column composed of his own and three other vehicles. Having halted at a blown bridge they were overtaken and attacked by *** light tanks. Technician Fourth Grade Halliday showed extreme presence of mind and without regard for his own safety, ran along the side of the leading tank and thrust a grenade into an open port. He thereby killed or disabled the crew resulting in the tank crashing into the gorge. Technician Fourth Grade Halliday continuously exposed himself to cannon and machine gun fire while he assisted in removing wounded men to safety. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

Ronald L. Kunkle, 20702964, First Sergeant, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action. On the *** of July, 1943, on *** Beach, three miles northwest of ***, Sicily, an enemy strong point manned by about fifteen men, was holding up the advance of Company ***, and the establishment of a bridge head. A section sergeant was ordered to take the position, but was temporarily put out of action. First Sergeant Kunkle immediately took over the section and successfully led the attack against the enemy strong point. First Sergeant Kunkle incurred shrapnel wounds from enemy fire while leading this attack. His initiative and courage under fire were an inspiration to his men and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered the military service from Hartely, Iowa.

John J. Stanton, 37026151, Corporal, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action. On the *** day of July, 1943, south of ***, Sicily, Corporal Stanton, an occupant of a vehicle of a column travelling south on the *** road, was overtaken and attacked by a column of enemy tanks. Disregarding his own safety he attempted to man a machine gun whose gunner had been wounded. Finding the gun rendered useless by the tanks, Corporal Stanton continued to expose himself to cannon and machine gun fire while he assisted in dragging the wounded men to safety. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minn.

Francis J. Travers, 32160968, Private First Class, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action at ***, three miles northwest of ***, Sicily. On the *** of July, 1943, an enemy strong point manned by about fifteen men was holding up the advance of the company and the establishment of a beach head. Private First Class Travers, by his quick resourceful execution of orders, and despite several serious wounds, was mainly responsible for the reduction of the hostile strong point. His initiative and courage under fire was an inspiration to his fellow soldiers and in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Arthur C. Eagles, Jr., 37374657, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action. On *** of July, 1943, north of ***, Sicily, Private First Class Eagles together with two officers and one private moved, on a reconnaissance mission at *** into a strongly defended enemy position and under heavy fire from both mortar and automatic weapons they accomplished their mission and captured 30 enemy prisoners. His actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

III - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS *attached, 1 original copy*

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

Elmo H. Jarvis, 35210652, Private, Company ***, ***, Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action Southeast of ***, Tunisia. On the *** of March, 1943, Private Jarvis with one other man, charged the crest of a hill held by the enemy. He opened fire with his automatic rifle and kept firing until killed by enemy machine gun fire. His action allowed his platoon, which had been pinned down by the machine gun fire, to gain their objective. Private Jarvis' courage and initiative reflected credit upon himself and his country. Entered military service from Tariff, West Virginia. Next of kin: Mrs. Clare Jarvis (Mother), Tariff, West Virginia.

Walter (DMI) Szelugoski, 11010304, Corporal, U. S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on March ***, 1943 at ***, near ***, Tunisia. When a strong enemy force attacked in the sector of Company ***, ***, Infantry, Corporal Szelugoski, together with his squad from the mortar platoon, turned their 81 mm mortar on the enemy, shelled his positions and destroyed a machine gun. Almost immediately afterwards, enemy artillery located the mortars and fired initial concentrations while an enemy tank moved to the flank, occupying a position where it could fire directly into the mortar emplacements. While nearby crews sought cover from the intense artillery fire, Corporal Szelugoski called to his lieutenant for firing data and continued to employ his weapon. A sergeant, sensing the accuracy of the artillery, called for the mortars to be moved. Before Corporal Szelugoski's mortar could be shifted a direct hit from the tank's gun struck the position, felling the weapon and hurling the crew to the ground. Corporal Szelugoski with his two companions and with complete disregard for his own safety righted the weapon and resumed fire, destroying another machine gun. When a second direct hit on the mortar killed Corporal Szelugoski, he fell with a mortar shell, ready for loading, clenched tightly in his hands. His perseverance and coolness under fire were an inspiration to his squad and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Samuel Szelugoski, (Father), New Britain, Conn.

Seymour I. Johnson, 37098247, Private, Headquarters Company, ***, Battalion, ***, Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action at ***, Tunisia. On the *** of March, 1943, intense mortar and machine gun fire had driven a 37 mm Anti-Tank Gun crew to cover. Private Johnson, a gunner, determined the position of the enemy machine gun and informed his sergeant he was going to reduce the machine gun position with canister. Working his way through mortar and machine gun fire he reached his gun position and unassisted, loaded and brought the gun to bear on the enemy machine gun. At this point, he was shot and killed by an enemy sniper. Private Johnson's supreme courage and devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Line Springs, Iowa. Next of kin: Mrs. Thora Johnson (Mother), Route 1, Line Springs, Iowa.

Joseph E. Volansky, 33275668, Private First Class, Company ***, ***, Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in the face of extremely heavy enemy fire, on ***April, 1943, during the ***campaign. Private First Class Volansky deemed it necessary to move his 81 mm mortar forward in order to lay more accurate fire on the enemy. Moving under enemy observation and artillery fire to a new position he was engaged in placing his mortar in action when killed. His coolness and courage in going forward and controlling the movements of his squad was an inspiration to all. Next of kin: Mr. Andrew Volansky, (Father), Gray's Landing, Penna.

Lewis W. Baldwin, 6988953, Corporal, Battery***, ***, Parachute Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, on the *** of July, 1943, 5 miles Northwest of ***, Sicily. Corporal Baldwin voluntarily went forward from his own lines, alone, driving a captured enemy 3-ton Tankette, in order to secure information for the defense of the ridge. He was killed while returning to his own lines, under heavy machine gun and artillery fire. Corporal Baldwin's supreme courage and loyalty in his effort to serve his country was a true inspiration to all men of his organization, thus reflecting credit upon himself and his country. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Winter Sowders, (Mother), Rural Route #4, Xenia, Ohio.

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HARRY J. CUMMINGS, O-366428, Captain, Infantry, U. S. Army. For extraordinary heroism in action, on the *** of July, 1943, approximately 300 yards offshore, Southeast of ***, Sicily. Captain Cummings, ***Parachute Infantry, accompanied a fellow officer with a serial of his regiment in a transport plane, which crashed off shore, and while rapidly filling with water, was under continuous heavy machine gun fire. Captain Cummings freed himself and was in the plane door prepared to leave when he saw that his fellow officer was wounded and unable to free himself from his main and reserve parachute and full combat equipment. Captain Cummings returned and assisted the officer, enabling him to leave the plane, but was himself mortally wounded by machine gun fire. Captain Cummings' action was one of extraordinary heroism. At the price of his own life, he courageously and selflessly saved that of a comrade, reflecting the finest traditions of the military service. His action has been an inspiration to his regiment. Entered service from New York City, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. M. Cummings (Mother), New York City, New York.

ELMER E. LENT, O-1288575, Second Lieutenant, Co. ***, *** Battalion, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action in the ***, Tunisia area, on *** April, 1943. After both the platoon leader and platoon sergeant of a platoon in a critical position had become casualties, in the early stages of an enemy night attack on his company sector, Second Lieutenant Lent moved from a reserve position, took command of the platoon, reorganized it under heavy hand-grenade and machine-pistol fire, reestablished the defense and broke up the enemy attack. Second Lieutenant Lent's clear thinking, sound judgment and quick action under the stress of close-in night fighting were largely responsible for retaining the Division's only vital observation point. Second Lieutenant Lent was killed later in the night but his outstanding leadership inspired his entire regiment and his actions were manifest in the strength and determination imparted to his men. Next of kin: Mrs. Shirley E. Lent (Widow), St. Cloud, Minn.

Edward Federman, 35458790, Private, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action at ***, Tunisia. On the *** of March, 1943, Lieutenant Dennison, of Company ***, *** Infantry, was wounded in a mine field about 6 miles Southeast of ***. Private Federman without personal regard for his own safety, crawled through the mine field while under constant machine gun fire and rendered first aid to the lieutenant. He personally saw that the officer was evacuated and continued to assist the wounded at the front lines. On the *** of March, 1943, Private Federman was killed in action trying to reach a number of wounded men who were pinned down by enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Amelia Federman, (Mother), 1366 Hopple Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

ARTHUR F. GORHAM, O-21249, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, U. S. Army. For extraordinary heroism in action on the *** day of July, 1943, South of ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Colonel Gorham, Commanding *** Battalion, *** Parachute Infantry, *** Airborne Division, in the face of severe hostile artillery fire and a counter-attack by enemy tanks, rallied his paratroopers to hold their ground. Lieutenant Colonel Gorham personally manned a rocket launcher and destroyed one tank. While attempting to destroy another with hand grenades and a rifle, Lieutenant Colonel Gorham was killed. He stood forth in the forefront of the action, encouraging and inspiring his men to emulate his example, enabling them to hold forth until relieved. Next of kin: Mrs. Corinne Gorham, Wichita, Kansas.

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I - AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individual:

HENRY F. WARD, O-266401, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, *** Field Artillery, United States Army for extraordinary heroism in action on February ***, 1943, at ***, Tunisia. Lieutenant Colonel Ward displayed outstanding generalship during the action of his battalion against a superior enemy force. With utter disregard for his own safety he exposed himself continuously to the dangers of the enemy fire and led, directed, and maneuvered his men to a position of safety. His constant encouraging presence, and the uppermost thought and consideration he showed for their welfare never failed to rally their spirits, made possible a highly strategic withdrawal, and was responsible for the saving of many lives and of much valuable equipment. Lieutenant Colonel Ward's devotion to duty and unceasing efforts in the face of great obstacles are in the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgetown, South Carolina.

II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

JOHN D. SPRINKLE, O-1286387, First Lieutenant, Infantry, U. S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on the *** day of July, 1943, five miles North of ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Sprinkle of Company ***, *** Parachute Infantry, went forward with a small patrol to knock out an enemy pillbox, which was preventing the advance of our troops on the road to ***. He succeeded in eliminating it, then drew fire from ***. He had his men cover him as he went forward to make a personal reconnaissance and got within grenade throwing range. He threw one grenade which effected sufficient damage to allow his men to advance and destroy the block house. In the encounter, Lieutenant Sprinkle was killed, but the results accomplished by his patrol enabled the main force of troops to proceed to accomplishment of their mission. In this gallant action, Lieutenant Sprinkle lost his life in a manner reflecting highest credit upon self and country. Next of kin: Mrs. Luke E. Sprinkle (Mother), Tucson, Arizona.

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Robert S. Jacoby, 36005782, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. During an intense *** shelling of the *** Infantry Regimental Aid Station near ***, Sicily, the morning of *** August, 1943, Technician Fourth Grade Jacoby utterly disregarded his own safety, worked feverishly carrying wounded to points of safety in the limited cover available. As he was carrying a patient to safety in his own foxhole, a shell suddenly exploded next to him, and he fell to the ground mortally wounded. His actions, exposing himself to high explosive shell fire again and again to aid or save wounded men, many of whom were receiving second and even third wounds from the artillery barrages, reflects the highest credit on himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Frank A. Jacoby (Father), Carthage, Illinois.

Adam Gerlitz, 37203516, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. During an intense *** shelling of the *** Infantry Regimental Aid Station near ***, Sicily, the morning of *** August, 1943, Technician Fourth Grade Gerlitz worked tirelessly, completely disregarding his personal safety, to carry wounded to safety in the limited cover available. At about ***, as he was doing this, a shell exploded in front of him and he fell on the feet of his patient mortally wounded. His heroic actions reflect the highest credit on himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Henry Gerlitz, Hisen, Kansas.

III - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster for the Silver Star is awarded to the following named individual:

NICHOLAS W. CAMPANOLE, O-1717, Colonel, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action at ***, Sicily, *** August, 1943. Colonel Campanole's initiative and resourcefulness was of immeasurable aid during the final sweep of the Allied forces in the Sicilian campaign. On August ***, he voluntarily accompanied patrols of the *** Division at *** and later proceeded alone on the shore road from *** to affect liaison with British elements advancing North and Northwest, and also to insure that the road was not occupied by the enemy. His unflinching efforts and determination were highly contributive to the successful culmination of the campaign. Entered military service from New Mexico.

IV - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

GEOFFREY KEYES, O-3561, Major General, United States Army, for gallantry in action. General Keyes made daily flights over the enemy lines in a Piper Cub to secure information and keep the Commanding General, *** Army, accurately informed of the location of his own front line troops and the front line and movements of the enemy troops. These flights, made without fighter escort, and heedless of personal risk, were a major factor in the rapid and overwhelming victory achieved by the *** Army, and served as an inspiring example to the entire command. Entered military service from San Diego, California.

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GEORGE W. MARVIN, O-14687, Colonel, CE, Commanding Officer, Engineer Regiment, United States Army, for gallantry in action at ***, Sicily, ***, July, 1943. Colonel Marvin, as Commanding Officer of the ***, Sub-Task Force ***, was the first of the beach group to disembark. Despite the varied dangers incident to the landing, from aerial attack, and the perils under foot from the treacherous baby traps and land mines, Colonel Marvin, with utter disregard for the hazards involved in his undertaking, started reconnaissance of *** and adjacent areas and selected sites for landing supplies and personnel. During the subsequent landing of troops he continued to perform beyond the normal call of duty by personally directing and guiding personnel over the mine infested beaches to designated landing areas, and by his quick thinking was also responsible at this time for effecting the rescue of several drowning men. Colonel Marvin's unceasing devotion to duty and self-sacrificing efforts were an inspiration to officers and men and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

CHARLES B. ODOM, O-480718, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, United States Army, for gallantry in action at ***, Sicily, ***, July, 1943. Lieutenant Colonel Odom contributed heavily to the morale and physical welfare of the assault troops during the landing operations by voluntarily going ashore to treat battle wounded soldiers under the highly dangerous conditions incident to the assault. His zealous and unselfish application to duty, while laboring under the perilous conditions created by the varied enemy artillery, mortar and aerial attack, reflects great honor on his profession and is in keeping with the loftiest traditions of the United States Medical Corps. Entered military service from New Orleans, La.

ALEXANDER C. STILLER, O-1010000, Captain, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action. On ***, July, 1943, Captain Stiller, while advancing in his scout car on the *** Road, came under intense enemy artillery fire and bombing and strafing from enemy aircraft. Without regard for his personal safety, Captain Stiller manned a .50 caliber machine gun mounted in the scout car and succeeded in lastlying the enemy plane. The courage under fire displayed by him may well serve as an outstanding example of loyalty and devotion to duty. Entered military service from Tucson, Arizona.

Glenn D. Wicker, 17072653, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters, ***, Field Artillery Group, United States Army, for gallantry in action near *** and ***, Sicily. On the *** of July, 1943, Staff Sergeant Wicker, pilot of a cub plane, unhesitatingly and without regard to personal safety, flew over enemy territory ten miles in advance of the leading elements to permit reconnaissance of roads and bridges. He also made reconnaissance between *** and ***, Sicily, to locate a route of advance for the troops of the *** Infantry Division. During these flights he was required to land and take off from unprepared and unmarked fields in mountainous country. Staff Sergeant Wicker's skill and courage reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Residence at enlistment: Fort Hays, Kansas.

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Raymond E. Larson, 37023104, Sergeant, Company ***, ***, Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action on ***, May, 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Tunisia. While the destroyer he commanded was immobilized in a wadi and under intense, continuous fire from *** anti-tank guns, Sergeant Larson voluntarily dismounted, guided another destroyer into a suitable position, and personally connected the two weapons with a towing cable. He then directed the towing of the immobilized destroyer until it was again functioning and able to continue the attack. The initiative, courage and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Larson was a major contribution to the success of his platoon in this action and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Middle River, Minnesota.

Michael S. Valvo, 32175652, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, *** Battalion, *** Engineer Regiment, for gallantry in action at ***, Sicily on *** July, 1943. The LCI on which Private First Class Valvo and other men of his unit were embarked beached at *** at a point where the depth of the water was well over the heads of the men and the bottom rocky and slippery. Added to the harassing enemy fire directed at the landing craft, the men had to contend with a strong undertow and the weight of their equipment. Some of them, unable to overcome these difficulties by their inability to swim, were at the point of drowning. Had it not been for Private First Class Valvo, who plunged into the surf to their rescue, three men would undoubtedly have drowned. Private First Class Valvo's unselfish and heroic actions are in the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Forestville, New York.

William P. Hart, 32062834, Private, Medical Detachment, *** Battalion, *** Engineer Regiment, for gallantry in action at ***, Sicily, on *** July, 1943. The LCI on which Private Hart and other members of his unit were embarked, beached at *** at a point where the bottom was rocky and slippery and the water five to six feet deep. The entire area about the LCI and on the beach was under heavy fire of enemy rifles and machine guns. After reaching the beach Private Hart saw other soldiers in the surf unable to swim and at the point of drowning. With complete disregard for his own safety and at the grave risk of his life, he entered the surf four times and rescued four soldiers who without his aid would undoubtedly have drowned. His actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Jersey City, New Jersey.

V - AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to each of the following individuals:

ALBERT C.M. STEFFENS, O-339976, Captain, Chaplain Corps, U. S. Army. For heroism on the *** July, 1943, near ***, Algeria. Captain Steffens, Chaplain, *** Evacuation Hospital, without thought of danger to his own life voluntarily swam to the aid of a fellow officer who had exhausted himself in trying to get ashore in exceptionally high surf and strong undertow. Captain Steffens pulled the officer to the safety of an air mattress and then swam to the aid of a British Army officer who had also become exhausted, and pulled him to the mattress. Captain Steffens hung on to the mattress himself while a group of officers formed a chain and pulled the entire party to safety. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

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Malcolm H. Morris, 36307062, Master Sergeant, *** Railway Operating Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July, 1943, at ***, Sicily. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers up to and including 155 mm began exploding. At great danger to himself Master Sergeant Morris voluntarily acted as a member of a loc motive crew to remove to safety another loaded train on an adjacent siding, which would otherwise have been destroyed. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Master Sergeant Morris reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Gurnee, Illinois.

Norwood L. Stone, 37077704, Technical Sergeant, *** Railway Operating Battalion, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** August, 1943, at ***, Sicily. When a fire broke out in an ammunition warehouse in the railway yards, Technical Sergeant Stone, with utter disregard for personal safety, assisted in coupling and removing cars of American ammunition, rations, and bridge material from tracks adjacent to the burning warehouse in which ammunition was exploding in all directions. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Technical Sergeant Stone reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: St. Louis, Missouri.

Frederick R. Vogel, 33275589, Private First Class, *** Railway Operating Battalion, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** August, 1943, at ***, Sicily. When a fire broke out in an ammunition warehouse in the railway yards, Private First Class Vogel, with utter disregard for personal safety, assisted in coupling and removing cars of ammunition, rations and bridge material from tracks adjacent to the burning warehouse, in which ammunition was exploding in all directions. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Private First Class Vogel reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Newell, Pennsylvania.

Charles B. Swan, 33044465, Staff Sergeant, *** Railway Operating Battalion, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** August, 1943, at ***, Sicily. When a fire broke out in an ammunition warehouse in the railway yards, Staff Sergeant Swan, with utter disregard for personal safety, assisted in coupling and removing cars of ammunition, rations, and bridge material from tracks adjacent to the burning warehouse, in which ammunition was exploding in all directions. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Staff Sergeant Swan reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Brandy, Virginia.

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Alberto G. Montemeyer, 38156061, Private First Class, *** Medical Supply Depot, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July, 1943, at ***, Sicily. When a train carrying gasoline and ammunition collided with another train on a siding, fire immediately broke out and ammunition of all calibers, up to and including 155 mm, began exploding. Private First Class Montemeyer voluntarily rushed out into the flying shrapnel carrying water to extinguish fires which had broken out in the Signal Dump adjacent to the exploding cars. His activities, even though in danger of death or injury from flying shell fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies and prevented more serious damage to vital installations. The actions of Private First Class Montemeyer reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Crystal City, Texas.

Edward L. Watts, 14042402, Technical Sergeant, Ordnance Section, *** Army, for heroism, not in action, at ***, Sicily, on *** August, 1943. While on duty supervising and checking the loading of ammunition, a fire of undetermined origin broke out in the freight house which ignited asphalt, paper and ammunition. Technical Sergeant Watts, upon seeing the fire which had spread to within a few feet of the train of ammunition being loaded, ran to a waiting engine, had it moved back, assisted in making couplings and directed the removal of approximately 50 cars of ammunition, rations and bridge material. As soon as this was cleared, he directed the efforts of water carriers and personally assisted to extinguish the burning signal tower within a few feet of a car of burning tar which was bursting and showering the surrounding area with flames and burning tar. Technical Sergeant Watts acted with utter disregard of his personal safety and beyond the call of duty and was responsible for saving large amounts of critical war material. The courage and selflessness displayed by this non-commissioned officer reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Mobile, Alabama.

Anthony Ferrara, 32596645, Private, S & I Section #1, *** Signal Depot Company, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on the morning of the *** of July, 1943, in the *** Signal Dump, ***, Sicily. Private Ferrara, disregarding his own safety, extinguished fires which threatened the signal dump. Fires were caused by tracers from a burning ammunition train in the railroad yards adjoining the signal dump. Private Ferrara was in constant danger of serious injury from flying shrapnel and tracer bullets from the exploding ammunition while he extinguished the fires. His actions undoubtedly saved much valuable signal equipment from destruction, and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Montclair, New Jersey.

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Michael S. Valvo
40 Main Street
Forestville, New York

So much of General Orders 19, Headquarters 7th Army, dated 1 September 1943, pertaining to the award of the Silver Star which reads "Michael S. Valvo, 32 175 652", is amended to read "Michael S. Valvo, 32 252 379."

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


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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR I
AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL II

I - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

COLLINS W. KENDRICK, JR., O-501411, Second Lieutenant, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on the *** day of July, 1943, in the assault on ***, Sicily. While personally leading his platoon in the attack on ***, Sicily, under heavy fire from enemy mortars and automatic weapons, Lieutenant Kendrick was painfully wounded. Although wounded, he continued to lead his platoon in the advance, refusing medical attention until the city had fallen. His action greatly assisted in the successful accomplishment of the mission by preventing the enemy from completely forming their perimeter defense before Lieutenant Kendrick's platoon was among them. Entered military service from Macon, Georgia.

JAMES E. PRICE, II, O-1016103, Second Lieutenant, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action in the beach assault of ***, Sicily on *** July, 1943. Lieutenant Price took charge of a section and a half of men who had become separated from their company and were under a cross fire from the enemy weapons and our own. In spite of this heavy fire, Lieutenant Price led these men back into the attack without the loss of a man. His coolness and judgment were an inspiration to all who witnessed the action and contributed greatly to the success of the attack. Entered military service from New York, New York.

Francis F. Padrucco, 32216392, Staff Sergeant, then Sergeant, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on *** July, 1943 in the assault on ***, Sicily. Sergeant Padrucco was at the rear of his platoon when the platoon leader was wounded. Despite heavy fire from enemy mortars and automatic weapons, he immediately made his way to the front of the platoon and took command. Through his quick action, he was able to continue the direction of the platoon, and as a direct result, ten enemy riflemen were killed including two officers, and fifteen enemy riflemen captured. His accuracy in reporting the situation over the radio made possible the employment of the entire battalion and led to the successful accomplishment of its mission. Residence at enlistment: Long Island City, N. Y.

Ed L. Lowell, 19050284, Sergeant, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action in the beach assault on ***, Sicily on the *** of July, 1943. When enemy fire caused the sinking, while still almost a mile from shore, of the boat in which his platoon was making the landing, Sergeant Lowell assisted many of the men to remove their equipment and then organized eight men into a party which he proceeded to guide toward shore until rescued by another boat. His action saved the lives of those eight men as well as several others, and the coolness with which he took charge of this difficult situation averted a panic in the water and inspired all who were near him. Residence at enlistment: Ventura, California.

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William S. Girdley, 7040400, Corporal, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on the beach assault of ***, Sicily, *** July, 1943. When Corporal Girdley's company was held up on the hill leading into ***, he volunteered to investigate the enemy gun which was holding up the advance. He moved forward under the fire of this gun until he was able to return with the information that it was a *** gun, and he was able to accurately report the area to which this gun could traverse. He then guided his platoon up the hill at a point at which the gun could not take them under its fire, and by his information enabled a section to put the gun out of action. His actions were responsible for the successful entrance of his platoon into the town, and prevented many casualties among the men. Residence at enlistment: Scotland, Indiana.

Esperanto L. Hurtado, 38006432, Technician Fifth Grade, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on *** July, 1943 in the beach invasion of ***, Sicily. While advancing on two enemy machine gun positions the first three men of his section were forced to take cover when their weapons jammed due to salt water and sand. Without waiting for these men, Technician Fifth Grade Hurtado continued to advance under fire from both of these positions, and by throwing hand grenades into the positions caused both to cease fire. Technician Fifth Grade Hurtado's coolness and skill in advancing under cross fire from these guns was an inspiration to the rest of the men in his company and his action made it possible for his company to advance, without serious loss, on the enemy positions which were originally covered by these machine guns. Residence at enlistment: La Veta, Colorado.

Ervin L. Sheldon, 36552105, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on the *** July, 1943 in the assault on ***, Sicily. While acting as radio operator for his platoon, Private First Class Sheldon suffered two severe wounds. Fearless of personal injury, he continued to operate his radio and personally assisted in the destruction of one enemy machine gun by accurately and calmly using his sub-machine gun on the crew. His coolness and devotion to duty, despite his severe pain and physical handicap, was an example to the rest of the men in his platoon. Residence at enlistment: Detroit, Michigan.

II - AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to the following individual:

James H. Lewis, 37168353, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery ***, *** CA Bn (AA), for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July, 1943 on Highway ***, Sicily. A truck loaded with ammunition and gasoline which Technician Fifth Grade Lewis was driving, caught fire. He stopped the vehicle and endeavored to extinguish the fire which was blazing fiercely. Failing in this, he re-entered the truck at great risk to himself and removed it some distance from the highway so that it ceased to be a hazard to passing convoys and personnel. By his fearless conduct and quick thinking he undeniably saved their personnel from injury or death and valuable material from destruction. Residence at enlistment: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individual:

Winifred R. Branch, 33210403, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July, 1943, near ***, Sicily. When heavy enemy fire from a strong gun position had resulted in six casualties to his platoon, Private First Class Branch, upon his own initiative and with utter disregard for his own life, took up a position directly in front of his squad and opened fire on the enemy with his automatic rifle. He continued his fire for 30 minutes despite the fact that his position offered no natural cover, and did not cease until his squad had withdrawn to safety and evacuated the wounded. These actions resulted in the knocking out of an enemy automatic rifle, the saving of his squad leader's life and safety for his squad. Though killed in a subsequent action Private First Class Branch's supreme devotion to duty in the face of death was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Rosie L. Branch, Route #4, Stuart, Virginia.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

HAROLD J. DITTER, O-885779, Second Lieutenant, Company ***, *** Battalion, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, at ***, Tunisia, on April ***, 1943. Defying enemy rifle and mortar fire, Lieutenant Ditter, then Warrant Sergeant, made continual and ceaseless visits to all men in dangerous positions to insure they had food and water. He was invaluable to his Company Commander in the reorganization of the defense position the enemy had penetrated. When the attached medical men became a casualty, Lieutenant Ditter, at the risk of his own life gave first aid and evacuated the wounded. His courage, clear thinking and never-ceasing energy under fire is an example for all Non-Commissioned Officers throughout the service. Residence at enlistment: Malone, Wisconsin.

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Martin Moritz, 36050577, Technician 4th Grade, ***, *** Battalion, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action. On *** August, 1943 at ***, Sicily, Technician Fourth Grade Moritz, while administering first aid to a wounded soldier, received a wound from an enemy shell which resulted in almost complete amputation of his right arm. Heedless of severe personal injury and safety he continued, under heavy enemy fire, to render medical treatment. Finding that his injured arm was a hindrance in the performance of this treatment, he attempted with his pocket knife to complete the amputation of his own arm. Failing in this, he proceeded, again under fire, in the direction of the aid station. Before arriving there he collapsed and was picked up by the litter-bearer squad to whom, in spite of his weakened condition, he reported the location of the wounded man. While at the aid station he received a second shell fire wound in the abdomen. The courage displayed by Technician Fourth Grade Moritz, both on the battlefield and in the hospital, was an inspiration to all who saw it and was in keeping with the finest traditions of unselfish valor. Residence at enlistment: Benson, Illinois.

James Collins, 13022149, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy in the vicinity of ***, Tunisia. On April ***, 1943, Company *** of the *** Infantry attacked at dawn an extremely steep and rocky hill which afforded the attackers little cover and the enemy excellent observation, and after very hard fighting reached its objective on the crest of the hill. During this action, Private First Class Collins, with absolute disregard for his personal safety, voluntarily crawled to an enemy machine gun position and, though painfully wounded in the face, put it out of action with a hand grenade. Later, when a counter attack by superior enemy numbers forced Company *** to withdraw, Private First Class Collins, his wounds still unattended, took up a position to protect the rear of his unit and covered the retreat until his ammunition was exhausted. He was last seen by his comrades to crawl to a nearby machine gun to continue his protective fire against the advancing enemy. His extraordinary heroism, supreme devotion to duty and self-sacrificing efforts on behalf of his comrades, brought about a successful withdrawal and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Barnesboro, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Helena Collins, 309 Campbell Avenue, Barnesboro, Pennsylvania.

III - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named Officer:

WILLIAM O. DARBY, O-19199, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, *** Ranger Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action. On the morning of *** July 1943, the enemy, using both infantry and armored units, launched a counter attack on ***, Sicily, which had been captured by the Rangers under Colonel Darby's command. Colonel Darby personally led his men in repulsing the attack by the skillful employment of hand grenades, rifles and rocket launchers. Always in the forefront, inspiring and encouraging his men, Colonel Darby, with the use of one 37 mm gun which he personally operated, managed not only to repulse the attack but succeeded with this inadequate weapon in destroying one of the tanks, while two others were accounted for by well-directed hand grenade fire. On the *** of July,

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1943, his outstanding leadership and fearlessness was again manifested when he led his Rangers in repelling three counter attacks, knocking out four Mark VI tanks and capturing over 3,000 prisoners. By his splendid leadership and bravery beyond the call of duty, Colonel Darby was in the greatest degree responsible for brooking up the most serious threat faced by our invading forces. Entered military service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

IV- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

Francis S. Cameron, 38066472, Staff Sergeant, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action near ***, Tunisia, on *** March, 1943. Staff Sergeant Cameron crossed open terrain under enemy artillery fire to extinguish a fire in his vehicle. This action not only saved the vehicle but also aided in concealing the position of his unit. Residence at enlistment: Olesser, Texas.

Ed A. Harberlin, 38039496, Sergeant, and Earl A. Valk, 38130067, Private First Class, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action. About noon, *** April 1943, a shell from an 88mm hit an ammunition trailer filled with 45 rounds of 105mm, which caught fire and burned fiercely. Private First Class Valk, driver of the half-track, with his leg wounded in three places, fearlessly jumped into his vehicle, also loaded with ammunition, to pull it away from the trailer. Sergeant Harberlin, fully aware of the fact that the ammunition might explode any minute, and unmindful of his personal safety, uncoupled the trailer, thus permitting Private First Class Valk to drive his vehicle to safety and barely in time to avoid the explosion of the ammunition trailer. By their gallant behavior under hazardous conditions, Sergeant Harberlin and Private First Class Valk reflected great credit upon themselves and the military service. Residences at enlistment: Gilmer, Texas and Talala, Oklahoma.

Ray Browning, 38066333, Sergeant, *** Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action in the vicinity of ***, Tunisia. On the morning of *** March, 1943, Sergeant Browning was hauling ammunition to his battalion which was then in action against the enemy. During a burst of heavy counter-battery fire directed at the Battalion, his ammunition halftrack was struck by an 88 mm shell which set the vehicle on fire, killing one man and injuring two others. Sergeant Browning promptly secured a fire extinguisher from an adjacent vehicle and, heedless of personal safety, though a case of small arms ammunition was going off, proceeded to put out the fire. Due to his heroic action the injured men were saved and valuable equipment recovered. Residence at enlistment: Quanch, Texas.

Arnold E. Svaton, 6288755, Technician Fifth Grade, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on the *** of July, 1943 at ***, Sicily. Under heavy enemy shelling, Technician Fifth Grade Svaton worked continuously and without rest to repair three captured 75 mm cannon which the enemy had partially demolished. Later, his technical assistance to the hastily assembled gun crews was instrumental in the destruction of 6 enemy vehicles, including 4 tanks, and also accounted for a large number of enemy riflemen killed. By his gallant efforts during this action Technician Fifth Grade Svaton contributed materially to the successful defense of ***. Residence at enlistment: Calwell, Texas.

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V - AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to each of the following individuals:

WALTER W. WAGNER, O-1101256, First Lieutenant, Company ***, *** Engineer Regiment. For extraordinary heroism, not in action, *** August 1943. Under extremely dangerous conditions created by exploding ammunition, set off by aerial attack on the Fort of ***, Lieutenant Wagner drove through flying shrapnel to check the source of a fire, and with the aid of two soldiers dislodged a burning shell from a highly inflammable location. Lieutenant Wagner's prompt and courageous action in the face of great danger prevented the spread of a damaging fire, and is worthy of the highest praise. Entered the military service from Champlin, Minnesota.

Thomas J. Nuzzi, 32242327, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Engineer Regiment. For extraordinary heroism, not in action, *** August 1943. Under extremely dangerous conditions created by exploding ammunition, set off by aerial attack on the Fort of ***, Sergeant Nuzzi drove through flying shrapnel to check the source of a fire, and under the direction of his officer assisted another enlisted man in dislodging a burning shell from a highly inflammable location. Sergeant Nuzzi's courageous action in the face of great danger prevented the spread of a damaging fire, and is worthy of the highest praise. Residence at Enlistment: Canadah, New Jersey.

James T. McMillion, 20618929, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Engineer Regiment. For extraordinary heroism, not in action, *** August 1943. Under extremely dangerous conditions created by exploding ammunition, set off by aerial attack on the Fort of ***, Sergeant McMillion drove through flying shrapnel to check the source of a fire, and under the direction of his officer assisted another enlisted man in dislodging a burning shell from a highly inflammable location. Sergeant McMillion's courageous action in the face of great danger prevented the spread of a damaging fire, and is worthy of the highest praise. Residence at Enlistment: Elmhurst, Illinois.

FREDERICK W. OKIE, 0259965, Lieutenant Colonel, T.C., U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism not in action. On the *** August 1943, at *** Railway Yards, ***, Sicily. When a fire broke out in a Railway Freight Depot full of enemy ammunition, incendiary grenades, etc., in the railway yards, Lieutenant Colonel Okie, with utter disregard for his personal safety, supervised, and assisted in coupling and removing cars of American ammunition, rations, and bridge material from tracks adjacent to the burning warehouse, from which ammunition was exploding in all directions. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying fragments, resulted in the saving of such badly needed supplies, and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Lieutenant Colonel Okie reflect the highest credit upon himself, and the military service. Entered military service from, Somerset, Kentucky.

Walter A. Davison, 35984071, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Engineer Regiment, United States Army. For extraordinary heroism, not in action. On *** August 1943,

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An aerial attack on the Port of **** had set the port railroad yard ablaze and fired an ammunition dump in the adjacent area. While the raid was still in progress, Sergeant Davison drove to the air raid shelter to remove the critically injured. With no other route open save past the ammunition dump Sergeant Davison, with utter disregard for his own safety, drove past the bursting ammunition and successfully evacuated the wounded to the medical aid station. His prompt courageous action saved the lives of two comrades. Residence at enlistment: Ohio.

Kenneth W. Phillips, 31067410, Master Sergeant, *** Railway Operations Detachment, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, at ****, Sicily. On *** July 1943, an ammunition train was wrecked when it collided with several empty box cars. Four cars were derailed and caught fire at a menacing distance from another ammunition train on a siding twenty yards away. Disregarding the flying shell fragments Sergeant Phillips assisted in removing the cars of the endangered train to safety. Master Sergeant Phillips' courageous actions at the risk of grave injury resulted in the saving of a considerable amount of government property and prevented possibly serious damage to vital railroad facilities. Residence at Enlistment: Marblehead, Massachusetts.

Arthur Corberg, 12043051, Private, Battery ***, *** Coast Artillery (AA), for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on the evening of *** June 1943 at ****, Algeria. Private Corberg was on pass and returning to his position when he noticed three British soldiers in great difficulty, apparently drowning off shore in a very rough sea. Without hesitation and at great risk of his own life, he swam to their aid and, selecting the one in greatest distress about 200 yards from shore, brought him to safety. He then returned to the water to assist in the rescue of the remaining two men. His courage and quick action in the face of danger were definitely responsible for saving at least one of the men from drowning. Residence at enlistment: Bronx, New York City.

Ernest A. Whitworth, 35159504, Corporal, A.F., U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action. On the *** August 1943, at **** Railway Yards, ****, Sicily. When a fire broke out in a Railway Freight Depot full of enemy ammunition, incendiary grenades, etc. Corporal Whitworth, with utter disregard for his personal safety, materially helped and assisted in the coupling and removal of numerous cars of American ammunition, rations, and bridge material from tracks adjacent to the burning warehouse, from which ammunition was exploding in all directions. His actions, even though in danger of death or injury from flying fragments, resulted in the saving of much badly-needed supplies, and prevented serious damage to vital railroad facilities. The actions of Corporal Whitworth reflect the highest credit upon himself, and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Muncie, Indiana.

VI - AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER #15

So much of Section V, General Orders #15, this headquarters, dated 12 August 1943, is amended to show the correct serial numbers of enlisted men as follows:

"Patrick Gilroy, 32057198, Private First Class, should read, Patrick Gilroy, 32002675, Private First Class."

"Salvatore Angrisano, 32002675, Private First Class, should read, Salvatore Angrisano, 32057198, Private First Class".

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- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS I
- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS II
- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR III
- AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL IV

I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

MANUEL S. PINO, 18046655, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, U. S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July, 1943, North of ***, Sicily. Private Pino, acting as a scout, worked his way forward in the face of heavy machine gun fire and hand grenades to a position from which he could destroy an enemy machine gun which was holding up the advance of his unit. After crawling to within a range of less than thirty feet, Private Pino deliberately assaulted the position with hand grenades, destroying the gun and enabling his unit to advance, but losing his life in the operation. The courage, devotion to duty, and self-sacrifice displayed by Private Pino reflect great credit upon himself and his unit and is deserving of the highest praise. Next of kin: Mr. T. Martinez (Uncle) 3004 Lafayette Street, Denver, Colorado.

JOHN ZELINSKY, 31034275, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, U. S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, on *** July 1943, Southwest of ***, Sicily. Private Zelinsky was assistant gunner on the machine gun of his squad, which was under heavy fire from enemy machine guns and artillery during a counter-attack by the enemy on *** July 1943. An enemy tank, supported by infantry, directly attacked the gun position, delivering heavy fire which resulted in the death of the gunner firing the machine gun. Private Zelinsky held his position, and in the face of concentrated enemy fire, immediately arose, removed the dead man from the gun, and manned it himself. He placed heavy fire on the tank and supporting infantry which was of great assistance in repulsing the attack, until he was mortally wounded. The heroic action of Private Zelinsky is worthy of the highest praise, and reflects the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Rose Zelinsky (Mother), 160 North Beacon Street, Brighton, Mass.

CHARLIE L. CASEY, 20829068, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July, 1943, near ***, Sicily. While his company was encountering cross fire from at least three enemy machine gun positions Sergeant Casey was wounded. Instead of reporting to his battalion aid station for treatment, Sergeant Casey continued to direct his rifle squad, which was receiving particularly heavy fire from the machine guns. With utter disregard for his own

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personal safety, Sergeant Casey rushed one of the machine gun nests and succeeded in killing one crew member and disbanding the rest, but before he could return to his squad he was mortally wounded. In the exemplary performance of a hazardous duty, of which he had full knowledge of the danger involved, Sergeant Casey upheld the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: John A. Casey, Noworth, Oklahoma.

OSCAR A. NEWTON, O-1309171, Second Lieutenant, Company ***, ***, Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. At dawn on *** July, an enemy force of about 30 tanks and 200 *** troops attacked the position held by Lieutenant Newton's battalion. Lieutenant Newton led a patrol around the left flank of the position, killing several enemy troops and forcing the remainder to withdraw, but received a deep flesh wound in the shoulder. After dressing the wound, he led another patrol around the right flank of his company position, where the main body of the enemy troops was attacking. Moving out in front of his platoon, he was searching out the enemy machine gun positions when he lost his life by machine gun fire. His heroic action enabled his patrol to locate the machine guns, which were eliminated, allowing our troops to launch a strong counter-attack which resulted in the defeat and withdrawal of the enemy. The courage, devotion to duty and aggressive leadership displayed by Lieutenant Newton reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Marion E. Newton (Widow), Route #10, Box 52, Portland, Oregon.

JOHN W. WATSON, O-471692, Second Lieutenant, Battery ***, ***, Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), for extraordinary heroism in action on *** November, 1942 at ***, French Morocco. Lieutenant Watson, with forty-eight enlisted men of his organization, was aboard the USS ***, having remained aboard to hasten the unloading of weapons, ammunition and gasoline after his organization had debarked in the landing operations of *** November, 1942. The *** was torpedoed and set afire. After the torpedo hit, Lieutenant Watson aided his men in reaching the deck and leaving the ship. He disregarded his own safety and opportunity to leave the ship, and was seen by one of his men, who was in the water, still aboard and cutting loose life rafts even after a second torpedo struck. The disregard for his personal safety in remaining aboard the burning ship loaded with ammunition and gasoline was above the call of duty and his self-sacrifice reflects great honor upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Wm. E.G. Watson (Father) Minneapolis, Minn.

CLIFFORD B. RAYMER, O-309675, Captain, Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943 in the hills east of ***, Tunisia. Captain Raymer, Company Commander, *** Company, ***, Infantry, personally directed the stubborn and successful defense of his position in the face of determined assault elements of a *** Division attacking at dawn with automatic weapons, tanks and mobile artillery support. During the attack, which lasted almost incessantly until dark, Captain Raymer moved throughout his forward defense lines, strengthening resistance at threatened points to throw back close quarter assaults with hand grenades. Although constantly exposed to severe enemy fire at close range, he anchored the defenses of his position, encouraged his men and gave them the confidence that assured their stand. Captain Raymer was largely responsible for holding that important position until ordered to withdraw under cover of darkness that night. His perseverance and bravery in the face of great danger were an inspiration to all who observed him and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Maxine J. Raymer, (Widow) East Williamson, New York.

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II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

SHELBY R. HORD, 16084792, Private, Company ***, *** Battalion, *** Parachute Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 approximately three miles Southeast of *** Sicily. Private Hord, a machine gunner, alone and upon his own initiative, courageously advanced approximately three hundred yards under intense hostile machine gun and rifle fire toward an enemy machine gun position. From a distance of about fifty feet he threw four hand grenades into the position, then attacked the enemy with his carbine, killing four and wounding three. The enemy force was completely disorganized and routed, enabling his unit to advance and use the captured machine guns against the enemy. Residence at enlistment: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

ALLEN F. LANGILLE, 11046104, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943, at *** Airport, Sicily. Private Langille became separated from his company and attached himself to the *** platoon, Company ***, *** Infantry, as the latter organization advanced along the road leading to *** Airport. Private Langille procured a rocket launcher and along with another enlisted man, who volunteered to accompany him as assistant gunner, moved out to the right flank of the platoon with one round of ammunition. Private Langille and his companion, without orders, advanced under heavy fire to a position within thirty yards of an enemy 20 mm platform gun and, from a range of about thirty yards, discharged the rocket from the launcher, scoring a direct hit on the 20 mm gun, knocking it out and killing and wounding its crew. Private Langille then went in search of ammunition and was confronted by a *** officer with a drawn pistol, ordering him to raise his hands. Instead of complying with this order, Private Langille, although suffering from pain caused by shrapnel wounds in his back, attacked, unarmed, and belabored the officer with his helmet until he disposed of him. Private Langille's heroic actions are worthy of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment: Medford, Massachusetts.

JOSEPH OCCHINO, 6979734, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943 near ***, Tunisia. While his company was making a particularly spirited attack on an enemy strong point, Private Occhino saw a wounded soldier lying entirely exposed to the fire of several enemy machine guns. Knowing that the soldier would be killed if he were not immediately removed, Private Occhino, with utter disregard for his own life and safety, deliberately left his place of cover and concealment to go to the aid of the wounded man. Reaching his wounded comrade, he half carried, half dragged him about three hundred yards to a place of safety. During this action Private Occhino was seriously wounded. Private Occhino's heroic and timely action, performed at the risk of his own life, undoubtedly saved the wounded man's life. His courage under fire and devotion to his comrades were an inspiration to all, and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Brooklyn, New York.

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ALBERT J. DUGAS, 11065297, Private First Class, Company ***, ***, Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, March 1943, near ***, Tunisia. After an unsuccessful attack on a strongly held enemy position, Company *** was ordered to withdraw to take up a defensive position on more favorable ground. During the withdrawal, Private First Class Dugas, seeing his Company Commander seriously wounded and lying entirely exposed to severe enemy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, left his place of relative safety to go to the wounded officer's aid. Alone and unassisted he carried his Commanding Officer three hundred yards over fire-swept terrain to safety and medical attention. Private First Class Dugas' heroic action saved his Company Commander from certain capture or death. His courage and heroic actions were an inspiration to the men of his company and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Residence at enlistment: New London, Connecticut.

JOE R. HARBESON, 38018562, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, ***, Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, July 1943, North of ***, Sicily. The *** Battalion, ***, Infantry, occupied a position on high ground North of ***, with a deep ravine on the right flank. An enemy force of four tanks supported by infantry launched a strong attack up this ravine and penetrated deeply into the sector held by Company ***. Staff Sergeant Harbeson, after receiving wounds in the right hand, left arm and neck, and being unable to hold a weapon of any sort, organized and led a counterattack against the enemy force, concluding with a bayonet charge which forced the enemy to withdraw with considerable loss of personnel and equipment. Staff Sergeant Harbeson then reorganized his platoon for further attack, but at this point was forced, due to the condition of his wounds, to be evacuated. The heroic action and undaunted bravery of Staff Sergeant Harbeson inspired the men of his unit to their best efforts, and was of great importance to the success of the counterattack, reflecting the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Shidler, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM L. NOLAN, 0-454408, Second Lieutenant, ***, ***, Infantry Division, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, July 1943, Northwest of ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Nolan, with two enlisted men, captured four *** prisoners, who gave him information that allowed him and his two men to pass through a heavily-mined road, two mined bridges, two companies of enemy infantry, and to locate the enemy CP in ***. Lieutenant Nolan conferred with the enemy commanding officer, demanding that he surrender. The officer refused to surrender, and started to take Lieutenant Nolan and his two men prisoners, as he had already done to another officer and his nine ***. Lieutenant Nolan, in a brave, forceful manner, refused to let the *** Colonel move him from his original demand for surrender. The Colonel reconsidered and decided to surrender, thus handing over one thousand *** soldiers from positions all around ***, as well as hundreds of small arms, machine guns, and tons of ammunition. This courageous act disposed of the enemy between the *** Division and the *** Division. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

FLOYD A. ARVIN, 35364198, Private First Class, Company ***, ***, Engineer Regiment, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action during an amphibious operation near ***, Sicily, ***, August 1943. Private First Class Arvin, DUKW driver, first left a position of relative security to assist the infantry in scouring a beach head against enemy counterattack and later drove his vehicle through heavy enemy fire, without regard for personal safety, in order to bring sorely needed ammunition to a gun position repulsing the attack. He continued to

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display the same dauntless courage and high devotion to duty in attempting to overtake and recall six amphibious vehicles loaded with ammunition, which had erroneously left the beachhead. This he did despite heavy fire from the newly advanced gun positions effected by the enemy in an attempt to destroy the other six DUKWs. In his endeavor to overtake his comrades, Private First Class Arvin was wounded by shrapnel and was forced to abandon his DUKW, which was damaged beyond repair by the enemy fire. By means of a life preserver he managed to remain afloat until the following morning when he swam ashore. Private First Class Arvin's actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Otterbein, Indiana.

NORRIS H. IERKINS, O-325782, Captain, *** Armored Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943, just North of ***, Sicily. Captain Ierkins, mounted in a tank, was engaging *** and *** anti-tank guns, the enemy at the time having fire superiority. Captain Ierkins was engaged in extracting a jammed round from his 75 mm tank gun when the gun received a direct hit, resulting in breaking and crushing Captain Ierkins' left forearm. He and his tank crew left the disabled tank, but he remained on the battlefield directing the operations of his other tanks, on foot and under heavy enemy fire. He did not leave the battlefield until forcibly taken away by a medical officer. This outstanding act of heroism was an inspiration to everyone who saw him, and his actions contributed greatly to the success of his unit in that battle. They exemplify the finest traditions of the military service and are worthy of emulation. Entered military service from Milwaukie, Oregon.

CHARLES M. ANKORN, O-7124, Colonel, Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near ***, Sicily on *** and *** July 1943. When the regiment under his command had been stopped by strongly organized enemy resistance, while undergoing heavy fire from hostile artillery, mortars, machine guns, small arms, and grenades, and in spite of active enemy snipers, and in an area of numerous anti-personnel lines, Colonel Ankorn persisted in moving about in the forward elements of his front line companies, giving encouragement, personal direction and assistance, and by his display of courage and leadership, organized and coordinated an attack which resulted in driving the enemy from strongly held positions near ***, Sicily. His consistent and gallant concern for the welfare of his troops, transcending any consideration of personal safety or comfort, were a prime factor in the efficiency and success of his command in spite of material battle losses. Entered military service from Ohio.

RAYMOND S. McLAIN, O-157502, Brigadier General, Headquarters *** Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, *** and *** July 1943, during the campaign of Sicily. On *** July General McLain entered ***, Sicily with leading elements of the attacking infantry, where, despite active enemy snipers and artillery, his presence and actions with both army and civilian officials aided materially to the establishment of order and security at a critical stage of the operation. On *** July the attack of three battalions from different regiments upon *** Airfield was held up because of heavy enemy fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, he visited the headquarters and troops of two battalions, coordinated their activities, and inspired them to renewed effort that resulted in the capture of the airfield. On *** July an infantry regiment of his division had become dispersed and somewhat disorganized. General McLain

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requested permission from the Division Commander to visit this regiment in order to assist in its reorganization and subsequent advance. While he was accomplishing this mission it was discovered that the enemy was withdrawing, and immediately General McLain placed himself at the head of our troops and moved them forward rapidly, his prompt action resulting in the capture of ***, Sicily. His courage, bravery, coolness under fire and tireless effort inspired the officers and men of these units, contributing greatly to the accomplishment of those missions, and stand as examples of the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

MATTHEW D. RIDGWAY, O-5264, Major General, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action. From the earliest moments of the Sicilian invasion, as commander of the *** Division, Major General Ridgway displayed an uncommon ability for appearing during crucial moments in the advance, and by his compelling leadership and inspiring presence helped his command to hurdle their obstacles and once more to continue the victorious advance. The morning of *** found him ashore making personal reconnaissance, while exposed to enemy action, in an effort to locate the *** Combat team which had landed by *** the night of *** July. Again on the *** of July, during an opposed movement of the Division from *** to the valley of the *** River; and on the *** before ***-- fearlessly exposing himself -- accompanying his advance guard -- and by undaunted behavior in the face of hostile fire, inspiring sorely beset gun crews into renewed resistance. Always to the fore, helping, encouraging, driving continually on, his dynamic energy, fearless leadership and steadfast devotion to duty were leading factors in an onslaught which ended in complete defeat of the enemy. Entered the United States Military Academy from Virginia.

III - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

VERNON B. HEDRICK, 20543296, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. In the assault on ***, Sergeant Hedrick's company was held up before *** anti-aircraft positions which were firing at American planes as well as at his company. Sergeant Hedrick coordinated his attack with another section sergeant in the face of heavy fire and overwhelming numbers of enemy troops, closed rapidly on the enemy position causing them heavy casualties and capturing about ninety-one prisoners. B is quick thinking and courage under fire, Sergeant Hedrick upheld the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: London, Kentucky.

GEORGE C. KO: NDA, 35169958, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. Staff Sergeant Kopanda's company was met by a concentration of enemy fire from a well dug in machine gun emplacement that threatened to inflict heavy and damaging casualties. Staff Sergeant Kopanda, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, went forward to a vantage point in full view of the enemy, in order to relay to his Company Commander information as to the enemy location and strength. The action of Staff Sergeant Kopanda was responsible for the rapid reduction of the enemy position, which was accomplished without casualties to his company. His coolness,

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quick thinking, and courage under fire were an inspiration to his men and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: East Chicago, Indiana.

JAMES B. LYLE, O-452005, Captain, Company ***, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on ***, July 1943 at ***, Sicily. Captain Lyle was placed in command of two companies assigned the mission of destroying a fixed enemy coastal gun position on the high ground on the west edge of ***. Under cover of darkness he led his force to within one hundred fifty yards of this position, at which point the force came under heavy machine gun and mortar fire. In the face of this heavy fire Captain Lyle led a section of men around to a flank position and then straight into the enemy emplacement. Captain Lyle's good judgment and his readiness to carry the fight to the enemy saved the loss of life implicit in a frontal attack and resulted in the capture of two three-inch coastal batteries and one mortar battery. The capture of these positions was highly essential to the establishment of an anchorage and to the successful landing of the following waves. Entered military service from De Ridder, Louisiana.

FREDERICK J. SAAM, O-393792, Captain, ***, Company, ***, Ranger Battalion, for gallantry in action on ***, July 1943 near ***, Sicily. While on a personal reconnaissance of a road through a mountain pass near ***, Captain Saam encountered an enemy patrol of two officers and fifteen enlisted men. Though alone and armed with only a rifle, Captain Saam, without hesitation, took them under fire, destroyed their command car, killed five of the patrol, wounded four and captured the remainder. Captain Saam's courage and devotion to duty in the face of greatly superior numbers reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Calumet, Michigan.

IV - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

RAYMOND B. MINNEMAN, 34149276, Private, and SEIVERN E. MOORE, JR., 20469109, Sergeant, Batter, ***, ***, Coast Artillery Battalion (AA) (Sep), for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, July 1943, near ***, Sicily. With complete disregard for their own personal safety, Private Minneman and Sergeant Moore rushed to a civilian crew member of a burning train who was lying near a flaming gasoline and ammunition dump with his clothing in flames. These soldiers, realizing that the ammunition dump might explode at any moment, quickly extinguished the burning clothes by wrapping the civilian in a blanket and then removed him to safety. Their heroic action and courage in the face of great danger reflect great credit upon themselves and the military service. Residences at enlistment: Woodlawn, Tennessee and Earnwell, South Carolina.

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I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

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LUIS BLANCO, 32109362, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, U.S. Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, west of ***, Sicily, on the *** July, 1943. Private Blanco, assistant machine gunner, in the face of almost certain death from heavy machine gun and rifle fire of counter-attacking *** troops, remained at his post beside his machine gun until the gunner was killed. Private Blanco then moved the body aside and took the position of gunner. He operated the weapon taking a toll of enemy dead until he too lost his life. Residence at enlistment, White Plains, New York. Next of kin, Mrs. Leora C. Blanco, Route #2, Box 247, Phoenix, Arizona.

Wesley F. Howe

WESLEY F. HOWE, 38006630, Private First Class, and GEORGE A. MCGEE, 33169848, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943, near ***, Sicily. Privates First Class Howe and McGee, machine gunners, in the face of a determined enemy counter-attack, manned their guns with unflinching courage and calm determination, slowed down the attack and took a toll of enemy casualties. Although continually in danger of injury or death from enemy bullets, they gave no ground and finally lost their lives over their guns. Their spirit of sacrifice so inspired their comrades that the guns were continued in action, which permitted their company to withdraw and reorganize. This successful reorganization, with reinforcements, forestalled the loss of a valuable ridge which in turn led to the fall of the city which it overlooked. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Privates First Class Howe and McGee reflect great credit upon themselves and the military service. Next of kin, respectively, Mrs. Sarah Howe, Box 75, Yampa, Colorado, and Mrs. Elizabeth C. McGee, 3423 York Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM B. OLSEN, 33010262, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943, west of ***, Sicily. Private First Class Olsen, assistant gunner, in the face of a strong enemy counterattack, moved aside the body of a deceased comrade and placed his gun in operation. Choosing certain death rather than retreat he slowed down the enemy

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until he lost his life over his gun. His sacrifice instrumentally aided in the successful withdrawal of his company to a new position where they were able to reorganize, and, together with reinforcements, hold the ridge, a valuable piece of terrain overlooking ***, which made possible the capture of that town the following day. Next of kin: Boyd F. Olson, 444 Boyd Street, Harrisburg, Penna.

WILLIAM R. HIGHT, 38005430, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. Sergeant Hight, with his squad, provided protection for a section of light machine guns to the rear. A counterattack was launched by the enemy to regain high ground. Although they moved forward very rapidly, Sergeant Hight held his ground even until the enemy was close enough for hand-to-hand combat. As ordered, he successfully withdrew his squad, but on seeing one of his men being beaten with a *** rifle butt, he charged back in with his bayonet, thus losing his life but allowing his comrade to escape. His last ditch protection of the machine guns and the firm stand of his squad permitted his company to withdraw successfully and reorganize. This reorganization, with additional reinforcements, forestalled the loss of a ridge, a valuable piece of terrain overlooking ***, and made possible the capture of that town the following day. Next of kin: Mrs. Lulu Hight, R.R. No. 1, Brighton, Colorado.

MILTON I. RUSSELL, 38017095, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943, east of ***, Sicily. After the enemy was dislodged from the high ground they were holding, Sergeant Russell, leading his squad, gave the order to flank the enemy and cut off his retreat. During this flanking movement, he was wounded in the right arm but instead of seeking medical aid, he remained with his squad. His assistant squad leader was wounded at the same time, and Sergeant Russell, ordering his squad to take up the fight, crossed an open area exposed to enemy fire, rescued the wounded man and sent him to the rear. He and his squad continued on their mission and succeeded in cutting off the enemy when cross fire was opened up on them. In ordering his squad to a better position, Sergeant Russell was mortally wounded, but succumbed only after having sent back information which aided in knocking out the enemy machine guns. Next of kin: Iva I. Harrison, Wynnedale, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

HENRY C. SALLEY, 34078322, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** and *** July 1943, near ***, Sicily. When Private Salley's company came under effective enemy fire, he, with utter disregard for his personal safety, advanced to within thirty yards of an enemy pill box, threw a grenade into it, destroying it completely. He then proceeded to assist in destroying an enemy mortar position. Later, when his platoon was attacked by a *** tank, Private Salley moved from his covered position to a soldier who was partially dazed from a shell explosion, took his rifle with grenade launcher attached, fired a grenade which caused the tank to withdraw. The

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riflemen of his platoon then succeeded in annihilating a *** infantry platoon. By this heroic act, Private Salley prevented a breach in our lines and was instrumental in causing severe enemy casualties. The initiative, courage, and tenacity of purpose displayed by Private Salley were an inspiring example to his comrades and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment; Monroe, Louisiana.

ALFONSO LAUDATO, JR., 31127346, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. Private First Class Laudato was called up with a rocket launcher to afford protection against enemy tanks. Without orders, he armed himself with an anti-tank grenade rifle and the rocket launcher and occupied a position to the front of a small group of paratroopers. During a series of enemy attacks the remainder of his company and the paratroopers withdrew to the rear. In spite of heavy fire, Private First Class Laudato remained in the area alone to combat the oncoming tanks. He knocked out one tank and dispersed others, eventually being severely wounded by a burst of fire from an enemy tank. In his exemplary performance of hazardous duty, with full knowledge of the danger involved, Private First Class Laudato upheld the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment; Westfield, Massachusetts.

JOSEPH R. MARTINEZ, 12022514, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943, near ***, Tunisia. Private First Class Martinez, as gunner on a heavy machine gun was in position when the enemy attacked with infantry and tanks. Throughout the day he manned his gun silencing several enemy machine gun nests, setting fire to one light tank and three enemy personnel carriers, and causing heavy casualties. During the evening when the enemy attacked in force using machine weapons and grenades Private First Class Martinez remained at his gun, firing with coolness and accuracy until a *** soldier maneuvered to his rear. This display of heroism, beyond the call of duty, played a large part in stopping the enemy attack. (Private First Class Martinez is missing in action). Residence at enlistment; Brooklyn, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Normina Nazario (Mother) 41-43 Old Broadway, New York, New York.

RAYMOND F. VILLENEUVE, 12023283, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, on *** March 1943, in the vicinity of ***, Tunisia. When the enemy approached his company's position within grenade range, Private First Class Villeneuve asked permission to go forward to man a machine gun from which the intense enemy fire had forced the crew to withdraw. He and another soldier advanced to the machine gun under heavy fire from enemy artillery and small arms and drove the enemy from its position. Then, with utter disregard for their own safety, they picked up the machine gun and moved forward to another position where they could fire on the retreating ***. Private First Class Villeneuve stayed with the gun while his companion went forward to provide necessity for him. He continued to fire until a direct hit from the enemy landed in the gun and severely wounded him. The action of Private First Class Villeneuve was mainly responsible for repelling the enemy attack on his company. His conduct was conspicuously above and beyond the call of duty and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Residence at enlistment, New York.

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EDWARD E. FOWLER, 11010353, Corporal, *** Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Tunisia. During an extremely critical phase of the action against units of the *** ** Division, radio communications failed and wire communications were severed. On his own initiative Corporal Fowler left the comparative safety of the position of his wire crew against the advice of the communications officer and the wire chief, went forward through intense enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, and during severe attacks by enemy aircraft repaired and maintained vital communication lines. During this work he was wounded but remained at his self-appointed task until it was completed. His tireless efforts and outstanding courage and disregard for his personal safety maintained vital telephone communication which enabled his battalion to furnish effective fire and thus contributed materially to the success of our forces. Residence at enlistment, Torrington, Connecticut.

ARTHUR J. O'KEEFE, 36227986, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943, southeast of ***, Sicily, in the vicinity of ***. Sergeant O'Keefe, leader of a rifle squad, led a bayonet charge on the company's objective. Although seriously wounded four times, he pressed the attack, his squad being the first to occupy the objective. While waiting to be evacuated, he directed his squad in a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack. During this latter action, he was wounded again several times. The extraordinary heroism, determination, perseverance, and aggressive leadership displayed by Sergeant O'Keefe reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces and are deserving of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

CLIFFORD TOMPKINS, 32043883, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943, in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. During an attack on strongly-defended enemy positions, an enemy machine gun and sniper's nest were continually firing into Sergeant Tompkins' organization. Due to their strategic position, this nest imperiled the advance of the entire organization. Realizing the danger of the situation, Sergeant Tompkins and another man started for the nest over open terrain and advanced to within 200 yards of the nest. At this point Sergeant Tompkins was wounded in the arm, but, refusing to retreat, ordered his companion to cover him while he advanced another hundred yards, and then made a last rush at the enemy position. This action resulted in the capture of two of the enemy, the wounding of two others, the destruction of the enemy emplacement, and the rout of those remaining in the nest. This outstanding act of bravery and complete disregard for personal safety assured the advance of Sergeant Tompkins' battalion to its objective. His action is worthy of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment, Coxsackie, New York.

NOEL D. MOCK, 6956892, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943, in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. During a fierce enemy counterattack, and under concentrated enemy mortar fire, Staff Sergeant Mock, realizing it was impossible to set his mortar section in the orthodox manner, placed the tube of a 60 mm mortar between his legs and under extremely crowded and hazardous conditions aimed and fired it without assistance, thus delivering deadly fire on the advancing enemy. Again on *** August 1943, in the vicinity of ***, single handed, armed with only a pistol and under heavy enemy fire, he entered a house within the enemy

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lines and captured eight armed ***. The following day he returned to the same house and under extremely hazardous conditions captured four more enemy soldiers. His actions on these occasions were a great inspiration to the men and officers of his organization. His courage, devotion to duty, and cool judgment under dangerous circumstances reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Dwartight, Oklahoma.

HARRY A. FLINT, O-3377, Colonel, ***, for extraordinary heroism in action. During the attack by the *** Infantry against *** and ***, Sicily, Colonel Harry A. Flint repeatedly displayed extraordinary heroism in action. Going forward with the attacking battalions, which were meeting determined enemy resistance, Colonel Flint spent his entire days moving about the squad and platoon installations to cheer and encourage all ranks. During the attack by the *** Battalion on ***, *** August 1943, Colonel Flint personally led the advance through enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, waving to his men to follow him forward. He was often covered and obscured from view by dust and smoke from bursting shells, later to be revealed standing upright and urging the men forward. In the assault on ***, *** August 1943, Colonel Flint went forward over a heavily shelled road and established an advance command post with the leading battalion of the Regiment. From this exposed position he personally directed the decisive assault on the enemy's positions. (The extraordinary heroism of Colonel Flint has been a profound inspiration to the entire command and by personal example he has established a new and extremely high standard of bravery and leadership which shall remain forever the objective of every officer and enlisted man of the *** Infantry. Entered military service from St. Johnsbury, Vermont.

III - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR

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

SERGE PLANES, Sergeant Chef, *** ***, for gallantry in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. Sergeant Chef Planes led his platoon in the attack on a *** position which he knew to be strongly organized, and engaged the enemy in furious hand-to-hand fighting with grenades, bayonet and knife. He conquered the position after two hours of fierce combat, forcing the enemy to retreat in disorder, and carrying by his heroic action the decision of the day's operation. It was during this action that he lost his life. This soldier, of high moral and military caliber, was previously cited in Tunisia, and served during the campaign of France in 1939-40. He will be remembered as a magnificent example of courage and ardent patriotism. Next of kin: Madame Planes, Safrou, Morocco.

IV - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

CLAY E. EVOLER, 33243493, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** August 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. Private First Class Evoler was instrumental in gaining a hostile position in the face of withering rifle and mortar fire. In maintaining his position he displayed a type of determination and undying courage far beyond the normal call of duty and his gallant actions, which resulted in the loss of his

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right arm, was an inspiration to his fellow soldiers and contributed materially to the success of the operation in that zone of action. Residence at enlistment: Pennsylvania.

LOUIS TONNELLOT, Lieutenant, Medical Corps, ***, for gallantry in action on *** August 1943 at ***, Sicily. Realizing the danger and risk involved, Lieutenant Tonnelot went to the front to evacuate wounded personnel under violent artillery and machine gun fire. In doing so, he displayed the greatest calm and devotion to duty which earned him the admiration of all his comrades. Through his daring courage and selfless valor, combined with his timely intervention, numerous lives were saved.

V - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

SIXTO M. RODRIGUEZ, 12059545, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July 1943, near ***, Sicily. As the first group of men left a landing craft, they found themselves in choppy water about ten feet deep with a strong undercurrent pulling them under. Private First Class Rodriguez, being one of the first to reach shore, dropped his rifle and pack on the beach and dove back into the waves in an effort to help some of his fellow comrades, who were floundering helplessly in the water. The heroism displayed by Private First Class Rodriguez in rescuing two of his comrades in this action was over and above the call of duty. His courage and bravery reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Residence at enlistment: New York City, New York.

HARRY W. STILLMAN, 34030559, First Sergeant, Company ***, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July 1943, at ***, Sicily. Being one of the first men to hit the water from a landing craft, First Sergeant Stillman found the water to be about ten feet deep, with a strong existing undercurrent. Upon reaching the shore he dropped his equipment and at grave personal risk to himself, returned into the choppy waters to save the lives of some of his men, who he knew were in trouble. On his first trip into the water he rescued one soldier. Leaving the soldier on the beach, First Sergeant Stillman partially exhausted, still fully clothed dove into the water to the aid of a second soldier who had just submerged below the surface. First Sergeant Stillman heroically dove below the surface, grasped this second soldier, and towed him through the rough water to shore. First Sergeant Stillman's initiative, aggressiveness, courage and determination to save the lives of his comrades, serves as an example of traditional comradeship in the Army of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Washington County, North Carolina.

VI - RESCISSION OF PART OF SECTION II, GENERAL ORDER #16.

So much of Section II, General Order # 16, this headquarters, c.s., as awards the Silver Star to Private First Class Clark E. Fueller, 33243493, is rescinded.

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By command of Lieutenant General PATTON;

HOBART R. GAY,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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W. G. CALDWELL, *W. G.*
Lt Col, AGD,
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I - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

CHARLES F. CYMERYS, 31021808, Corporal, Company ***, *** Parachute Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. With utter disregard for his own safety, Corporal Cymerys, who was second in command of a rifle squad, crawled to his unit's equipment bundle to secure the automatic weapons needed in the attack on enemy positions. In the face of heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire he secured the weapons, but was wounded in doing so. Despite his wounds he crawled 150 yards toward the position where the enemy was in hiding and threw hand grenades, killing two of the enemy and forcing the others to abandon their position. This heroic act enabled his squad to procure its equipment and organize for an attack. Corporal Cymerys later succumbed to the wounds he received during this gallant action. Next of kin: Mr. Anthony Cymerys, 418 Capen Street, Windsor, Connecticut.

WILLIAM R. VARNER, 37208675, Corporal, *** and *** Company, *** Battalion, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action. Following his battalion's landing behind enemy lines near ***, Sicily, *** August 1943, Corporal Varner, assuming the duties of the platoon sergeant, quickly organized his ammunition and pioneer men and established an ammunition dump 400 yards from the beach. Throughout the morning, under harassing enemy artillery and sniper fire, he led ammunition-carrying parties from the beach. When a *** counter-attack threatened our flank, Corporal Varner on his own initiative organized his platoon and others in the area and rushed to join in the fire fight and aid in repelling the enemy. When all troops were ordered to advance to higher ground, Corporal Varner, realizing the vital need for ammunition, organized not only his own men but the entire rifle platoon as well to carry machine gun and 81 mm mortar ammunition to the area. While leading the ammunition bearers up the slope of the exposed mountain through constant automatic and artillery fire, he lost his life due to machine gun fire. Corporal Varner's valor and intrepid bravery under heavy fire and his peerless unrivaled initiative aided materially in the successful action of his battalion, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Vera Louise Varner, (Widow), 200 East 15th Street, Hays, Kansas.

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WILLIAM G. FITZ, O-326547, Captain, Company ***, 888th Central Postal Directory, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Captain Fitz led his company in the attack against very strong enemy positions atop a hill. At about 350 yards from the enemy the company came under an intense artillery barrage, at the same time being in the midst of an enemy minefield. Captain Fitz was seriously wounded, rendering his left eye useless, but in spite of his wounds he rallied his company and led them forward through the minefield to within 150 yards of the enemy positions, where he was mortally wounded. Captain Fitz's leadership and bravery under intense enemy fire while seriously wounded were an inspiration to the men of his command, and reflect the finest tradition of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Frances G. Fitz, Reynolds, Washington

II - BOARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--MISSING IN ACTION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named officer, who is missing in action:

WILLIAM D. LAURIE, O-1265168, Second Lieutenant, Company ***, 888th Central Postal Directory, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, August 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. The majority of Lieutenant Laurie's platoon having become casualties in the assault against the eastern part of Hill ***, he personally continued to lead the assault with grenades, knocking out an enemy machine gun. Though badly wounded and still under continuous enemy machine gun and artillery fire, he repeatedly exposed himself to three grenades, thus covering the orderly withdrawal of his company. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Alabama. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucy W. Laurie, 206 College Street, Jacksonville, Alabama. (Missing in action).

III - BOARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

HEROLD G. POLY, 6858341, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, 888th Central Postal Directory, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on ***, July 1943 near ***, Sicily. Commanding a landing party attacking a beach, Staff Sergeant Poly found himself confronted by a high cliff, well-fortified and strongly entrenched by the enemy, who immediately began throwing hand grenades into his party. During this action Staff Sergeant Poly was severely wounded, but despite his wounds he continued to lead his best team and fought his way to the top of the cliff through furious machine gun fire from five pillboxes thirty yards distant. Exposing himself to enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Poly personally knocked out one pillbox with grenades. One team, disregarding his severe pain, led his group through continuous enemy fire for a period of two hours. Only after his team had returned to company control did he allow himself to be evacuated, approximately five hours after he had been wounded. Staff Sergeant Poly's bravery under fire and outstanding leadership merit the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Residence: 1418 1/2 North 14th Street, South Dakota.

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ERNEST B. NESHIE, 6950863, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. When his company was being counterattacked by *** troops, Staff Sergeant Neshie's quick action in reorganizing available men to bring effective fire on the enemy resulted in the counterattack being repelled. Redisposition of the company left several severely wounded men in front of our lines, exposed to enemy rifle and machine gun fire. Staff Sergeant Neshie ran forward under enemy observation and fire fifty yards to one of the wounded men in front of our lines and carried him to safety. Observing the action, the enemy immediately began to lay an intense concentration of artillery and mortar fire. Seeing the helplessness of the wounded men still out in the open and unable to take cover from the intense fire, Staff Sergeant Neshie again went forward through enemy shrapnel and machine gun fire, accompanied by several other members of his company, to the severely wounded men, bringing several of them back to cover. Three times more he went forward, always under intense heavy machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire, to save the lives of the wounded. Staff Sergeant Neshie's intrepid courage, his coolness under extremely heavy fire, and his gallant disregard of personal safety to save the lives of his men were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions, and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: McDill, North Dakota.

LEO W. O'BRIEN, O-1170509, Second Lieutenant, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943, near ***, Sicily. During a tank battle, lieutenant O'Brien climbed a high railroad embankment and, despite the clear target he made from this exposed position, successfully adjusted the fire of his battery on the attacking tanks. Later when one of the guns had been hit by an enemy tank and the gunner wounded, lieutenant O'Brien rushed to the burning gun and carried the gunner away, although he was menaced by flaming gasoline and bursting shells. During this action, however, both he and the gunner were wounded, the latter mortally. Lieutenant O'Brien, although wounded, continued in action until the entire force was relieved. His heroic actions inspired his men to such efforts as to prove a vital factor in the successful outcome of an extremely decisive conflict. His heroism and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Berne, New York.

RUSSELL L. FELERSKI, O-1294450, First Lieutenant, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Leading his platoon in an assault against strong enemy positions, lieutenant Felerski came under intense mortar and machine gun fire which lasted approximately two hours and which had created casualties of at least half his men. Seeing that the advance of his platoon had been halted, he stood up in the face of furious fire and led his men up a hill to a position of cover. With machine gun bullets and mortar fragments striking all around him he rushed toward his support squad leader to order an advance, during which time he sustained a serious wound. Nevertheless, he continued on and gave instructions to the leader which resulted in the destruction of two enemy machine gun nests and the advance of his platoon five hundred yards forward into the enemy positions. Lieutenant Felerski's brilliant leadership and superb courage are worthy of the highest praise. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

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GUY E. CARR, O-373428, Captain, Company ***, *** Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943 in the *** area, Tunisia. Captain Carr, company commander, in the face of enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire, personally led the attack of his company across open, flat terrain to knock out machine gun emplacements menacing his entire unit. Approaching an enemy position which had the remainder of his company pinned down, Captain Carr, exhibiting extraordinary heroism and with utter disregard for his personal safety, stood up, advanced alone and fired directly into the enemy position, knocking out the gun and forcing five enemy gunners to surrender. Entered military service from Ill. Branch, South Carolina.

IV - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

HOWARD C. BAKER, 11056355, Private, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** March 1943 near ***, Tunisia. One of Private Baker's battery's half-track vehicles, which was loaded with ammunition, was set on fire as a result of heavy enemy fire. Private Baker immediately took the extinguisher from his vehicle and while the position was still subjected to heavy fire, assisted in extinguishing the flames. Despite the fact that some of the ammunition was burning and exploding, Private Baker, fully aware of the danger involved, also assisted in removing it from the burning vehicle. His daring and heroic actions saved the vehicle from complete destruction and prevented serious injuries or fatalities to personnel in its vicinity. Residence at enlistment: Rindford, Vermont.

CLIFFORD I. JOWELL, 6953730, Private, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** March 1943 near ***, Tunisia. One of the halftracks of Private Jowell's battery which was loaded with ammunition, was set on fire as a result of heavy enemy fire. Private Jowell immediately took the extinguisher from his vehicle and while the position was still subjected to heavy fire, assisted in extinguishing the flames. Despite the fact that some of the ammunition was burning and exploding, Private Jowell, fully aware of the danger involved, also assisted in removing it from the burning vehicle. His daring and heroic actions saved the vehicle from complete destruction and prevented serious injuries or fatalities to personnel in its vicinity. For his courage, perseverance and devotion to duty with complete disregard for his own safety, Private Jowell is deserving of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment: Silt, Colorado.

WILLIAM (N I) FISHER, 38110377, Technician Fifth Grade, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** March near ***, Tunisia. One of the halftracks of Technician Fifth Grade Fisher's battery which was loaded with ammunition, was set on fire as a result of heavy enemy action. Technician Fifth Grade Fisher immediately took the extinguisher from his vehicle and while the position was still subjected to heavy fire, assisted in extinguishing the flames. Despite the fact that some of the ammunition was burning and exploding, Technician Fifth Grade Fisher, fully aware of the danger,

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involved, also assisted in removing it from the burning vehicle. His daring and heroic actions saved the vehicle from complete destruction and prevented serious injuries or fatalities to personnel in its vicinity. For his courage, perseverance and devotion to duty with complete disregard for his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade Fisher is deserving of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment: Silt, Colorado.

GILBERT F. MANS, 37014029, Corporal, Battery ***, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** March 1943 near *** Tunisia. One of the halftracks of Corporal Mans' battery which was loaded with ammunition, was set on fire as a result of heavy enemy action. Corporal Mans immediately took the extinguisher from his vehicle and while the position was still subjected to heavy fire, assisted in extinguishing the flames. Despite the fact that some of the ammunition was burning and exploding, Corporal Mans, fully aware of the danger involved, also assisted in removing it from the burning vehicle. His daring and heroic actions saved the vehicle from complete destruction and prevented serious injuries or fatalities to personnel in its vicinity. For his courage, perseverance and devotion to duty with complete disregard for his own safety, Corporal Mans is deserving of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment: Redwing, Kansas.

FRANK P. PERSICANO, 32193169, Technician Third Grade, Battery ***, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), United States Army, for gallantry in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. During the landing operations at ***, Technician Third Grade Persicano, who was in a comparatively safe position on one of the water craft, saw one of his comrades in danger of drowning. With utter disregard for his own safety, and in the face of hostile machine gun strafing and dive bombing, he dived into the sea, swam to the position where the drowning man had gone down, and after repeated diversions succeeded in grasping and bringing him safely to the ship. The courageous and heroic action of Technician Third Grade Persicano in deliberately exposing himself to extreme danger to save the life of one of his comrades reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Residence at enlistment: Brooklyn, New York.

PIERRE VAUTRIN, Adjutant Chef, *** Tabor Marocain, for gallantry in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. Adjutant Chef Vautrin was assigned the task of protecting the left flank of a unit engaged, and succeeded, by skillful maneuvering, in not only stopping the enemy advance on this flank, but also captured eleven *** prisoners and compelled the remainder of the enemy to fall back. He was wounded in the course of this engagement, but did not allow himself to be evacuated until his mission had been successfully carried out. Adjutant Chef Vautrin's admirable leadership was always a source of inspiration to the men of his unit.

V - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

FRANK A. TOLVE, 12088467, Private, Company ***, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Private Tolve, seeing a motor vehicle overturn 200 yards away,

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raced toward it and immediately went to work in trying to extricate six British soldiers who were pinned underneath. Despite the fact that the vehicle was very precariously balanced, while gasoline from a punctured tank was pouring in his face and acid was leaking from a battery and starting to eat into his clothes and skin, he worked feverishly to free the men caught under the wreckage. He was finally rushed to the hospital after refusing to be treated for his injuries during the course of his heroic deed. His prompt and courageous action in the face of great danger reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: New York, New York.

EDWARD G. GRIGAITIS, 13056609, Private, Company ***, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Private Grigaitis, seeing a motor vehicle overturn 200 yards away, raced toward it and immediately went to work in trying to extricate six British soldiers who were pinned underneath. Despite the fact that the vehicle was very precariously balanced, while gasoline from a punctured tank was pouring in his face and acid was leaking from a battery and starting to eat into his clothes and skin, he worked feverishly to free the men caught under the wreckage. He was finally rushed to the hospital after refusing to be treated for his injuries during the course of his heroic deed. His prompt and courageous action in the face of great danger reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

VI - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDER #25

General Orders #25, this headquarters dated 22 September 1943, as pertains to reorganization of the 69th and 78th Chemical Smoke Generator Companies, is amended to read General Orders #26.

By command of Lieutenant General F. TTON:

HOBART R. GAY,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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I - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

JOHN W. LYNARD, 6903920, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. On *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily, Private Lyngard single-handedly assaulted a heavily fortified enemy pillbox, putting it out of action with grenades and capturing eight of the enemy. On *** July, during an enemy counterattack with tanks, Private Lyngard organized a gun crew, manned a captured 77 mm artillery piece and destroyed two of the tanks, causing the enemy to withdraw. On *** July southwest of ***, Sicily, in an advance on Hill ***, Private Lyngard used his rocket gun with such devastating effect that the enemy was forced to withdraw. During a counterattack later that day, Private Lyngard lost his life, but only after he had accounted for a number of the enemy with his rocket gun. Private Lyngard's daring, efficiency and heroism in grave situations so inspired the men of his organization that to him belongs a large part of the credit for his company's success in the taking and holding of its original objectives. His extraordinary devotion to duty was in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mr. Alexis C. Lyngard, (Father) 264 El. Street, Albany, New York.

John W. Lyngard
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FELIBERTO P. JEANTETE, 38166036, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. When his company came under heavy enemy machine gun fire at close range, Private First Class Jeantete volunteered to go with an officer to flank the position and destroy the gun. From a distance of 25 yards he opened fire on the machine gun nest, thus drawing its fire and enabling the officer to destroy it. Later the same day, while acting as flank security, Private First Class Jeantete observed six of the enemy armed with automatic rifles preparing to open fire on his platoon. He opened fire on them and continued firing until he had killed two of the enemy and wounded two others. He was mortally wounded during this action, but the surprise and intensity of his fire forced the enemy to fire on him alone, thus enabling his platoon to rush the position and complete its destruction. Private First Class Jeantete's intrepid bravery, his self-sacrifice for his comrades and fearless devotion to duty in the face of death were an inspiration

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to all who witnessed his actions, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Epefania G. Jeentete, Box 152, Taos, New Mexico.

PRESTON R. SMITH, 6977340, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. During the night when his company occupied a hill, Sergeant Smith established his machine gun section in a position guarding the left flank. At daybreak Sergeant Smith observed that the enemy, instead of anticipated friendly troops, were occupying the hill to his left. Although caught in an exposed position, Sergeant Smith personally manned the machine gun in the face of superior automatic fire and covered his men as they withdrew on his order to a more tenable position. While performing this deed Sergeant Smith lost his life. His heroic sacrifice of his own life in saving the lives of his men is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Cora Smith, (Mother), R. F. D. #2, Petersburg, New York.

LUTHER S. GUSTAFSON, O-446806, Second Lieutenant, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 in the ***, Tunisia. During the advance of Lieutenant Gustafson's battalion on Hill ***, he led a combat patrol to secure this advance. When the patrol came under intense enemy machine gun fire, Lieutenant Gustafson deployed them to form an effective firing line while he made a personal reconnaissance of the emplacement. Locating the gun he single-handedly attacked it with grenades and pistol and silenced it. During this heroic action Lieutenant Gustafson lost his life, but his fearless leadership and spirit of self-sacrifice so inspired his men that they held their position until reinforcements were brought up. His devotion to duty and personal courage are outstanding examples of the finest ideals of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. William Gustafson, 424 College Avenue, Bozeman, Montana.

ROBERT L. WATTS, O-419413, First Lieutenant, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. Under the unrelenting pressure of an enemy counter attack, the left flank of Lieutenant Watts' company slowly began to waver and give ground. Lieutenant Watts, sensing the condition on that flank, left his command post and made his way to the left flank under terrific enemy machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire. Realizing the need for increased fire power he personally manned a captured enemy machine gun and fired it at the advancing hostile troops until the ammunition was exhausted. Endeavoring further to repulse the attack, he made the supreme sacrifice of his life by advancing on an enemy machine gun, firing his carbine into the position until the gun was silenced. This extraordinary heroism above and beyond the call of duty was an inspiration which will forever be remembered by his comrades in battle. Next of kin: Mrs. Robert L. Watts, (Widow), 4515 Thirty-First Street, West Seattle, Washington.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

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WALTER (M&I) NEELY, 35261861, Private, Company.***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action at ***, Tunisia. During a night attack on *** March 1943, Private Neely's company advanced so rapidly that it was held up by the supporting fire of a friendly heavy weapons company. It was necessary to dispatch a messenger to the heavy weapons company with information on our advance and a request to lift the heavy weapons fire. Fully aware of the fact that he would have to cross several hundred yards of terrain swept by enemy machine gun fire, Private Neely volunteered to carry the message. He was seriously wounded during the course of this heroic deed, but continued on his mission until it was accomplished, and did not allow himself to be evacuated until he had reported back to his company commander, thus enabling our forces to continue the attack. Residence at enlistment: Middletown, Ohio.

JOHN G. W. FINKE, O-383636, Captain, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. When the *** Platoon of Captain Finke's company was flanking an enemy position, the platoon leader was seriously wounded. Seeing this, Captain Finke crawled over 300 yards through constant terrific small arms fire to the platoon and took over command. About halfway to the objective, he was himself wounded in the head, but continued the attack until the platoon had successfully occupied the position. His gallant action was an inspiration to the whole company and materially aided in the eventual taking of the Battalion and Regimental objectives. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

EDWARD F. WOZIENSKI, O-351415, Captain, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 in the *** sector, Sicily. Captain Wozenki, with about fifty men and officers, was holding a vital hill when the enemy counterattacked with about ten tanks and approximately a battalion of infantry. The tanks surrounded the hill firing at point blank range when Captain Wozenki seized a rocket gun and, while constantly exposed to tank, artillery, machine gun and small arms fire, moved from point to point firing on the tanks and encouraging and directing his men to do likewise. He personally knocked out two tanks, one of them by firing into its rear after it had passed over his foxhole. Captain Wozenki's superbly heroic, calm, determined conduct inspired his men to resist in an apparently hopeless situation and was a prime factor in the defeat of the enemy's counterattack. Entered military service from Terryville, Connecticut.

CHARLES J. DENHOLM, O-21293, Lieutenant Colonel, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. On *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily, his battalion having been overrun by tanks, Lieutenant Colonel Denholm ordered them to withdraw. Remaining behind with two other officers and two enlisted men, he manhandled three antitank guns into position and manned one of them himself. Although seriously wounded twice, he remained at the gun firing until one tank had been knocked out and another stopped. Only when the remaining tanks were almost on top of his position did Lieutenant Colonel Denholm and his party withdraw to the rear. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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III- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

JEROME B. D'AGOSTINO, O-1040904, First Lieutenant, Battery ***, *** Separate Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), for gallantry in action on *** March 1943 at ***, Tunisia. When a sergeant in charge of an antiaircraft gun section was seriously wounded during an intense artillery barrage, Lieutenant D'Agostino immediately left a comparatively safe position and, with utter disregard for his own safety, ran through heavy shell fire to the aid of the wounded soldier. Unable to move the man to a position of safety, he remained in the field of fire rendering first aid that was directly responsible for saving the man's life. By his courage, coolness, and devotion to duty under fire, Lieutenant D'Agostino upheld the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ridgefield New Jersey.

IV- AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL--POSTHUMOUS.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals.

ETHEL R. B. WYNN, 38055872, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** May 1943 at ***, Tunisia. Fully conscious of the danger involved, Private First Class Wynn proceeded without hesitation into a known mined area to render first aid to two French women, victims of a mine explosion. While Private First Class Wynn was assisting the victims, he lost his life due to a second mine explosion. His unselfish actions in the face of known danger reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Willie Edith Wynn, (Mother), 233 North York Street, Houston, Texas.

GEORGE J. HONTOS, 36310791, Private, Battery ***, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** May 1943, at ***, Tunisia. Without thought of danger to his own life, Private Hontos proceeded into a known mined area to render aid to two French women, victims of a mine explosion. While carrying on his duties a second mine explosion injured him so seriously as to result in his death the following day. Nevertheless, Private Hontos attempted to remain at the scene and continue his services to the injured until his own injuries would no longer allow him to carry on. His unselfish actions in the face of known danger reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Cornelia Hontos, (Mother), 3721 North Albany Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

V - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

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FRANK J. GILBERTO, 32345657, Technician Fifth Grade, Company ***, ***, Engineer Combat Regiment, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July 1943 during the beach operations at ***, Sicily. Without hesitating to think of his personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Gilberto plunged into an unknown and moderately rough sea with his full field equipment intact to save the lives of three sailors who had been tossed from their landing barge while attempting to return to their ship for more men and supplies. He succeeded in removing his full field equipment in the water and proceeded to bring the sailors, who were unable to swim, ashore to safety, one by one. Although handicapped by the loss of his glasses in this act, Technician Fifth Grade Gilberto nevertheless carried on until his self-appointed mission was accomplished. Residence at enlistment: New York, New York.

FRANK F. D'ARIES, 32066219, Technician Fifth Grade, *** Battery, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (AA) (AA), for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Following a vehicle accident in which an officer and himself were seriously injured, Technician Fifth Grade D'Aries, disregarding his own personal injuries and the constant threat to his life caused by the precarious balance of the overturned vehicle, dug away part of the bridge-pillar foundation under the vehicle, and extricated the officer. His coolness and prompt action, despite his own injuries, undoubtedly saved the officer's life. Residence at enlistment: Orange, New Jersey.

JAMES J. MILLER, 20156986, Technical Sergeant, *** Company, *** Tank Battalion (M), for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on *** July 1943 in a bivouac area near ***, Algeria. While passing a small ammunition dump, Technical Sergeant Miller noticed three smoke shells burning near the bottom of a pile of mortar shells, high explosive and smoke shells. He immediately removed several cases from the top of the pile in order to get at the burning shells. He extinguished two of them but was unable to extinguish the third, so he attached a rope to the shell and dragged it 100 feet from the dump, where it exploded. Due to Technical Sergeant Miller's quick thinking and utter disregard for his own safety, such expensive government property was saved from possible destruction, and injury or death to personnel in the vicinity avoided. Residence at enlistment: Hartford, Connecticut.

VI - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

ALDEN V. NIETZMAN, 36150334, Staff Sergeant, Air Section, *** Amored Division, for meritorious achievement while participating in twenty-four aerial flights, totalling forty-five hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft during the Sicilian Campaign, *** July to *** August 1943. Accomplishment of eleven of these missions was made in the vicinity of the enemy lines, over area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that much of the flying was done either over extremely rugged terrain, or under unfavorable weather conditions

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added to the hazards of these missions. Residence at enlistment: Stignaw, Michigan.

GODFREY J. FECHER, 37039710, Staff Sergeant, Air Section, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in twenty-eight aerial flights, totalling fifty-two hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft during the Sicilian Campaign, *** July to *** August 1943. Accomplishment of sixteen of these missions was made in the vicinity of the enemy lines, over areas known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that much of the flying was done either over extremely rugged terrain or under unfavorable weather conditions, added to the hazards of these missions. Residence at enlistment: Des Moines, Iowa.

HENRY E. WEICH, 14027946, Staff Sergeant, Air Section, *** Armored Division, for meritorious achievement while participating in thirty-two aerial flights, totalling sixty-two hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft during the Sicilian Campaign, *** July to *** August 1943. Accomplishment of nineteen of these missions was made in the vicinity of the enemy lines, over areas known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that much of the flying was done either over extremely rugged terrain or under unfavorable weather conditions, added to the hazards of these missions. Residence at enlistment: Jacksonville, Florida.

JAMES F. FILLING, O-403188, First Lieutenant, Air Section, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in twenty-five aerial flights, totalling forty-two hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft, during the Sicilian Campaign, *** July to *** August 1943. Accomplishment of sixteen of these missions was made in the vicinity of the enemy lines, over areas known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that much of the flying was done either over extremely rugged terrain or under unfavorable weather conditions, added to the hazards of these missions. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

JAMES E. RAYOR, O-387357, Captain, Headquarters, *** Armored Division, for meritorious achievement while participating in over three hundred hours of anti-submarine patrol flight as aerial observer, from *** 1942 to *** 1942. Accomplishment of many of these missions was made when unfavorable weather conditions made flying hazardous. Possibility of encountering enemy ships of fighter type, or anti-aircraft fire, added to the hazards of these missions. The services of Captain Rayor reflect highest credit on the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chickasha, Oklahoma.

EDWARD S. GORDON, O-206555, Major, Artillery Section, *** Armored Division, for meritorious achievement while participating in sixty-five aerial flights totalling ninety-six hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft during the Sicilian Campaign, *** July to *** August 1943. Accomplishment of thirty-seven of

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these missions was made in the vicinity of the enemy lines, over area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that much of the flying was done either over extremely rugged terrain, or under unfavorable weather conditions, or at night, added to the hazards of these missions. Entered military service from Salem, Oregon.

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AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--POSTHUMOUS I
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I - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--POSTHUMOUS :

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

CHARLES S. WOLFE, 33087921, Private First Class, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on ** March 1943 southeast of ***, Tunisia. Private First Class Wolfe, with another soldier who was later killed by machine gun fire, charged the crest of a hill held by the enemy and opened fire with his automatic rifle, killing several of the enemy and disorganizing the remainder. His actions allowed his platoon, which had been pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire and hand grenades, to gain their objective, the crest of the hill. Next of kin: Mr. Robert H. Wolfe, (Father), 14 Blue Ridge Avenue, Natrona, Penn.

EVERETT L. MAHLER, 37198770, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 in the area of *** and ***, Tunisia. Technician Fifth Grade Mahler, under extremely heavy and prolonged enemy shell fire, left a covered position voluntarily, and with utter disregard for his own safety, rendered emergency first aid treatment to wounded soldiers. During this action, Technician Fifth Grade Mahler was mortally wounded, but his heroic actions saved the lives of several fellow soldiers. Next of kin: Mrs. Oliver Mahler, Bagley, Iowa.

LESTER (MGI) BOSWELL, 16040662, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 in the ***, Tunisia. During an important flanking move by his company, Staff Sergeant Boswell placed himself in the forefront of his platoon, and under heavy enemy fire, led and inspired them in the advance. By skillful maneuvering he worked his way to the enemy's rear, opened fire on them, causing many casualties and routing the remainder. He immediately rallied his men and led them in pursuit of the fleeing enemy, all of whom were either killed or captured. During this action, Staff Sergeant Boswell was mortally wounded. His extreme daring, devotion to duty and high courage were such an inspiration to the command, that to him belongs a large part of the credit for his company's success in the attack. Next of kin: Mrs. Maxine Boswell (Widow), Wayne City, Illinois.

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PAUL (NMI) ALTOMERIANOS, O-386000, Captain, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on * August 1943 west of * * , Sicily. Captain Altomerianos volunteered to clear a supply route through two mine fields covered by heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire. While passing through the first field, he encountered intense enemy machine gun and artillery fire. Unswerving in his determination to complete his self-appointed and extremely hazardous task, Captain Altomerianos continued to push forward through the second mine field. During this action he was mortally wounded, but his actions resulted in the replenishment of much needed ammunition and supplies which were the deciding factor in holding the strategic hills west of ***. Next of kin: Mrs. Iota Altomerianos, (Widow), 917 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn, New York.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

EDWARD (NMI) BRINKMAN, 35457638, Private, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** and *** March 1943 at ***, Tunisia. Private Brinkman crawled through an enemy mine field under extremely heavy enemy fire to administer first aid to a wounded officer. Being unable to move the wounded officer because of the intensity of the enemy fire, he placed him in a foxhole. Three times during that day and night he worked his way to the wounded officer to administer morphine and to bring water and medication. On the second night he directed a litter squad to the position and succeeded in evacuating the officer. Private Brinkman's heroic actions on this occasion uphold the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Cincinnati, Ohio.

JULIUS LEFKOWITZ, 32014561, Private, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 at ***, Tunisia. Private Lefkowitz led a combat patrol against an enemy machine gun nest and was within 100 yards of the nest when the patrol came under heavy cross-fire from two machine guns. Two of his comrades were trapped in a depression between the guns when Private Lefkowitz, with utter disregard for his own safety, deliberately exposed himself to draw the enemy fire, allowing his comrades to escape. Private Lefkowitz was severely wounded in this action, but his patrol was enabled to accomplish its mission and destroy the machine gun positions. His unselfish and aggressive action reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Brooklyn, New York.

MAX E. MCCARTHY, 36714084, Private, *** *** Battalion, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 at ***, Sicily. During an enemy counterattack with about eight tanks, Private McCarthy manned an anti-tank gun and succeeded in destroying two of the tanks. He continued firing at the remaining tanks until they closed on his position and destroyed his gun with a direct hit. Private McCarthy was seriously wounded, but his heroic actions were an inspiration to his comrades and contributed directly to the repulse of the counterattack. Residence at enlistment: Chicago, Illinois.

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DALTON L. ROSSMAN, 36159290, Private First Class, *** *** Battalion, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 at ***, Tunisia. During an intense enemy artillery barrage, the ammunition dump of Private First Class Rossman's battalion was set on fire. Private First Class Rossman immediately rushed to the scene, and while the position was still under heavy fire, aided an officer in extinguishing the fire. Private First Class Rossman was seriously wounded during this action, but his great personal heroism reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Litchfield, Michigan.

JAMES E. WOODS, 34004601, Technician Fifth Grade, *** Company, *** Battalion, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 in the *** and *** area, Tunisia. Technician Fifth Grade Woods was radio operator for a combat patrol during a forward displacement when the patrol came under heavy machine gun and small arms fire. The platoon leader was killed and the senior non-commissioned officers dispersed. Technician Fifth Grade Woods immediately assumed command and radioed the situation to the battalion commander, who called for artillery fire on the position. Untrained in observing, and using only native intelligence, Technician Fifth Grade Woods nevertheless observed and directed this artillery fire. When an enemy sniper approached his position, he killed him with rifle fire. Through information radioed by Technician Fifth Grade Woods reinforcements were brought up and the enemy was driven from their dominant position. The conspicuous heroism, initiative and leadership displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Woods were an inspiration to the men with him, and aided materially in the eventual success of his regiment. Residence at enlistment: Steppville, Alabama.

EMMETT M. TAYLOR, 15055997, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action during the period *** April to *** May 1943 in the area of *** and ***, Tunisia. During an attack by Staff Sergeant Taylor's battalion, he deliberately exposed himself to draw enemy fire in order to locate their positions. He then directed the fire of his 81 mm mortars on the positions and destroyed them. Later, while establishing an observation post, Staff Sergeant Taylor was met by approximately a company of ***. He opened fire with his sub-machine gun, quickly changed position and fired again. He repeated this maneuver several times, leading the enemy to believe they were opposed in force and causing them to withdraw. The initiative and leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant Taylor on these two occasions were outstanding and his extraordinary heroism has been a constant inspiration to the men of his company. Residence at enlistment: Crab Orchard, Kentucky.

HUGH J. ALLCORN, 0-1294992, Second Lieutenant, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** April 1943 at ***, Tunisia. During an intense enemy artillery barrage, the ammunition dump of Lieutenant Allcorn's battalion was set on fire. Lieutenant Allcorn immediately rushed to the scene, and, aided by an enlisted man, and while the position was still under heavy fire, succeeded in extinguishing the fire. Lieutenant Allcorn suffered severe hand burns during this heroic action, but his quick thinking, coolness under fire, and utter disregard for his own personal safety saved much needed ammunition supplies from

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destruction, and many men in the vicinity from possible injury or death. Entered military service from Brownwood, Texas.

CONRAD V. ANDERSON, O-1288494, Major (then Captain), *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. During an attack by Major Anderson's Battalion on *** April 1943 at Djebel ***, Tunisia, the Battalion Commander and the Executive Officer became casualties. Although not the senior officer present, Major Anderson assumed command of the battalion, reorganized it, and under heavy artillery, mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, led it to its objective. Major Anderson's outstanding courage and leadership in this grave situation was an inspiration to the officers and men of his battalion, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

JOHN H. MATHEWS, O-18626, Lieutenant Colonel, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Colonel Mathews, the Regimental Executive Officer, assumed command of the *** Battalion after the commanding officer was wounded. Learning of a concerted drive by six Mark *** tanks against a vital crossroads, Lieutenant Colonel Mathews braved violent strafing and bombing attacks to locate seven nearby *** tanks, which were just moving inland. In an unprotected quarter-ton car, Lieutenant Colonel Mathews led our tanks to within 200 yards of the oncoming enemy tanks, under the direct fire of the enemy armor. He remained at his exposed position without the least concern for his own safety, directing the fire of the supporting tanks, and organizing his own troops, until the enemy threat was broken off. His courage, bravery, and heroic leadership inspired the men of his command to such determined aggressiveness as to result in the fall of the highly strategic town. Residence at appointment: c/o The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.

III - A. ORD OF THE SILVER STAR--POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals.

MARINELLO S. CAPONE, 32056862, Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for gallantry in action on *** April 1943 in the area of *** and ***, Tunisia. In the attack of Sergeant Capone's company on Hill ***, his platoon became pinned down by intense machine gun fire. Sergeant Capone singlehandedly attacked the machine gun position and silenced the gun with hand grenades. He then attempted to silence a second gun but was driven back by enemy artillery fire. During this action the platoon leader was killed. Sergeant Capone took command and under heavy enemy fire effected an orderly withdrawal to more tenable positions, where the platoon was able to reorganize and continue the attack. The personal courage and leadership displayed by Sergeant Capone were an inspiration to the men of the command and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Bridget Capone, 452 East 13th Street, Logansport, New Jersey.

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LEONARD (N.I) OWENS, 15045641, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for gallantry in action on *** April 1943 near ***, Tunisia. After the platoon leader had been killed in action, Staff Sergeant Owens assumed command of the platoon, and skillfully led the troops forward across open terrain through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Later, when his company commander was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, Staff Sergeant Owens singlehandedly attacked the machine gun position and silenced the gun. His exceptional leadership, his personal bravery and initiative were a constant inspiration to his men. Next of kin: Edgar Owens, Lenore, Kentucky.

CODY G. ROBERTSON, O-463321, Second Lieutenant, *** Infantry, for gallantry in action on *** April 1943 in the area of *** and ***, Tunisia. During an enemy counterattack, Lieutenant Robertson deployed his men and moved them forward to close with the enemy. He advanced at the head of his troops, firing his automatic weapon and shouting encouragement to his men. During the ensuing action, Lieutenant Robertson lost his life, but his outstanding leadership and personal valor brought confidence and dogged determination to his men, resulting in the repulse of the enemy's counter attack and the seizure of his company's objective. Next of kin: Mrs. Virgil Robertson, P.O. Box 104, White Sulphur Springs, Montana.

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- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--POSTHUMOUS. I
- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS II
- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR III
- AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL IV

I - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS--POSTHUMOUS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster for the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer:

ARTHUR F. GORHAM, O-21249, Lieutenant Colonel, ** Parachute Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 northeast of , Sicily. Lieutenant Colonel Gorham had attached himself to the *** Battalion, *** Infantry, when that organization was attacked by about ten enemy tanks and a battalion of infantry. He took his place among about fifty men and officers who were holding a vital hill when the hill was surrounded by the tanks which fired on the defenders at point-blank range. Lieutenant Colonel Gorham moved from point to point firing at the eyeslits of the tanks, shouting encouragement to the men and directing their fire until the counterattack was beaten off. Lieutenant Colonel Gorham's encouraging presence, intrepid bravery and coolness under fire were a mighty inspiration to the handful of defenders in this grave situation, and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Corinne Gorham, (Widow), 251 North Bluff Street, Wichita, Kansas.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals:

CHARLES D. COX, 14062419, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), *** Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943 at ***, Tunisia. When, during a critical phase of an attack by elements of the *** ***, radio communications failed, and wire communications were severed, Technician Fifth Grade Cox, on his own initiative, ordered his wire crew to safety and, utterly ignoring the intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire, coupled with extremely active aircraft, personally repaired and kept repaired throughout the day and night the communication lines, vitally necessary to the planned, coordinated artillery-infantry counterattack. Although painfully wounded, he remained at his self-appointed task until the enemy attack was completely routed. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who saw him, and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Greenville, South Carolina.

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CLIFT (NMI) ANDRUS, O-3266, Brigadier General, *** Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. When the enemy hurled an attack of 40 to 50 tanks against the narrow, insecure beachhead held by the *** Infantry Division, General Andrus set up a radio on a forward exposed slope and directed the fire of the *** Field Artillery Battalion until the fire from the tanks which approached to within a few hundred yards of his position made it untenable. He then crossed an open field under intense machine gun, cannon and artillery fire to reach the *** Infantry CP in order to ascertain personally the situation there. After finding that the cannon company had not come up he undertook for a third time to expose himself to the intense enemy fire, as he recrossed the open field towards the beach. Brigadier General Andrus, by heroic courage, initiative and aggressiveness, not only contributed to the cohesion of our forces in a most delicate, crucial situation, but secured superior and essential artillery support which crushed the vicious tank attack. By his own exemplary conduct he inspired the men and officers of the division to supreme exertion of all their ability and courage. Entered military service from New York.

III - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

PETER J. SIKOLA, O-290666, Captain, Company ***, *** Engineer Regiment (C), for gallantry in action on *** November, 1942, during the landing operations at ***, French Morocco. The landing barge containing Captain Sikola and members of his company ran aground on a reef in an attempt to evade an enemy searchlight and machine gun fire. The first two men to leave the boat were unable to reach the reef due to deep water and the weight of their equipment. Captain Sikola immediately jumped into the water and towed these men to safety. He then secured a line from the boat which enabled the rest of the men to reach the reef safely. Captain Sikola's gallant leadership and utter disregard for his own safety in looking out for the welfare of his men reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Brown Hills, New Jersey.

IV - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

JESSE A. RUSSELL, 17099987, Staff Sergeant, Artillery Section, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in fourteen aerial flights totalling seventeen hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft from *** July to *** August 1943 during the Sicilian campaign. Accomplishment of ten of these missions was made over the enemy front lines while exposed to enemy small arms and antiaircraft fire, over an area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft, and by using fields often subjected to strafing by enemy attack aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that flying was done over extremely rugged terrain and under unfavorable weather conditions added to the hazards of these missions. Residence at enlistment: Russell, Kansas.

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GEORGE D. SHONERD, 6817579, Staff Sergeant, Artillery Section, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in sixty-four aerial flights totalling seventy-six hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft from *** July to *** August 1943 during the Sicilian campaign. Accomplishment of forty of these missions was made in the vicinity of enemy lines, over an area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft, and by using fields often subjected to strafing by enemy attack aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that the flying was done over extremely rugged terrain, under unfavorable weather conditions, and sometimes at night, added to the hazards of these missions. Residence at enlistment: Lincoln, Nebraska.

RICHARD L. LONG, O-448362, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Artillery Section, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in thirty-eight flights, totalling one hundred and eighteen hours, as pilot of liaison type aircraft from *** July to *** August 1943 during the Sicilian campaign. Accomplishment of all these missions was made in the vicinity of the enemy lines, over an area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft and by using fields often subjected to strafing by enemy attack aircraft. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that flying was done over extremely rugged terrain, under unfavorable weather conditions, and sometimes at night added to the hazards of these missions. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

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AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS I
AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR II

I - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named officer:

WILLIAM R. HOGAN, O-1031641, Second Lieutenant, *** Reconnaissance Squadron, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. Upon returning from a reconnaissance patrol, Lieutenant Hogan discovered that one man was missing. With utter disregard for his own safety, he unhesitatingly drove a 1/4 ton vehicle back towards the enemy lines in the face of concentrated enemy machine gun fire. After dismounting, Lieutenant Hogan and the sergeant who accompanied him were seriously wounded by shell fragments from an enemy anti-tank gun. Lieutenant Hogan crawled into the vehicle, and although both his legs were useless, he succeeded by operating all controls with only his hands, in driving the vehicle nearly a mile over winding mountainous road back to his troop command post. His report and evaluation of the situation enabled his troop commander to take the proper steps to neutralize the enemy fire in the area, and to expedite the rescue and evacuation of the wounded sergeant. Entered military service from Waxahachie, Texas.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

HUBERT (NMI) STANTON, 20441795, Technician Fourth Grade, *** Battery, *** Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), for gallantry in action on *** May 1943 near ***, Algeria. While in command of a highway guard post, Technician Fourth Grade Stanton demonstrated brilliant observation and discernment by immediately recognizing the *** uniform and detecting the *** accent of a passenger in a covered, captured British truck which passed his position. He secured a vehicle and, with complete disregard for his own safety, pursued the truck at a high rate of speed along a treacherous highway and, ignoring the fact that the passengers were armed, forced their vehicle to stop. He then immediately ordered the surrender of two *** officers riding in the cab, and one *** officer and eight enlisted men concealed in the rear, disarmed them and brought them back to a stockade. The action of Technician Fourth Grade Stanton is worthy of the highest praise. Residence at enlistment: Gibson, North Carolina.

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I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named individuals:

HERMAN A. WENDT, 6579519, Private, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 four miles southeast of *** Sicily. Private Wendt left his position of comparative safety and crawled across an open space swept by machine gun and small arms fire to render first aid to a wounded man. Leaving the wounded man in a position of cover, he returned to his former position only to observe that the man had been wounded again by a sniper. Again he crawled across the bullet-swept area and was engaged in rendering first aid a second time when he lost his life due to the sniper's fire. Private Wendt's complete disregard for his own personal safety in performing this act of heroism was an inspiration to all the men who were watching him, and contributed so much to the morale and determination of his company that, heedless of the heavy hostile fire, the company pushed forward and drove the enemy from the position. Next of kin: Mrs. Gertrude Wendt, (Mother), 1432 Front Street, Fargo, North Dakota. ✓

LEONARD (MMI) OWENS, 15045641, Staff Sergeant, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. On *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily, during an attack on Hill ***, Staff Sergeant Owens' platoon came under devastating enemy machine gun fire. With utter disregard for his life, Staff Sergeant Owens singlehandedly attacked the position and destroyed it with hand grenades. On *** August 1943 west of ***, Sicily, Staff Sergeant Owens' platoon came under heavy enemy artillery fire. Disregarding his own safety, Staff Sergeant Owens remained in an exposed position until he had directed all his men to positions of cover. Before he could reach cover himself, he lost his life due to the enemy shellfire. Staff Sergeant Owens' outstanding qualities of leadership, courage, bravery and initiative on the field of battle were a constant inspiration to the men and officers of his company. Next of kin: Mr. Edgar Owens, Lenore, Kentucky. ✓

WILLIAM C. MORROW, O-258365, Major, *** Company, *** Battalion, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Major Morrow established an OP in a very advanced position, and during the subsequent attack by his battalion, directed very effective mortar and artillery fire on

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the enemy. During a strong enemy counterattack, Major Morrow remained at his OP directing fire until the last possible moment. As he was attempting to evacuate the position, he lost his life due to enemy automatic weapons fire. His courageous action and determination to accomplish his mission, with utter disregard for his own safety, reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Jessie J. Morrow, (Widow), 23 Tawn Drive, San Anselmo, California.

II - AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named individuals.

LEWIS B. FISHER, O-497295, First Lieutenant, *** Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** March 1943, near ***, Tunisia. Lieutenant Fisher took over leadership of part of a platoon of tank destroyers when their officers were killed and successfully led them against a *** tank attack. Immediately afterwards, in order to defend a trapped company of light tanks, he established an OP in an exposed position from which the infantry had withdrawn. From this exposed position he directed fire to beat off an enemy infantry attack and maintained this observation post for four days and nights until the company of tanks was withdrawn. The entire action was without infantry support. On *** March 1943, after the withdrawal of the company of tanks, Lieutenant Fisher joined the *** Infantry as artillery observer in the same sector. Soon after joining this unit the sector was subjected to repeated counterattacks by a company of enemy infantry. Lieutenant Fisher, from an observation post immediately in front of our own front lines, accurately adjusted the fire of his battalion on the advancing enemy, despite the counter fire which fell all around his post, and by his skillful direction of our fire caused the enemy attack to break and to withdraw. Lieutenant Fisher's devotion to duty and unflinching courage under perilous conditions reflect great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

JOHN J. KELLY, JR., O-432380, Captain, Company ***, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. Captain Kelly's company occupied the most advanced, exposed position of a salient into enemy territory, and during a strong enemy counterattack, the company was overrun. Knowing there was no chance of reinforcements being brought up, Captain Kelly remained at his OP and called for and adjusted artillery fire to within 50 yards of his position, and gave the command to fire for effect. His heroic and extraordinary command of this critical and precarious situation was responsible for repelling the counterattack with maximum losses to the enemy. His willingness to sacrifice his own life for the preservation of the salient was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

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III - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

ROBERT M. FAIN, 17106624, Technician Fifth Grade, Company ***, *** Engineer Regiment (C), for gallantry in action. During the amphibious landing on the beaches between *** and ***, French Morocco, *** November 1942, Technician Fifth Grade Fain operated a cletrack. His was the first service vehicle to land on these beaches, and under intermittent artillery fire he worked tirelessly in moving many stalled vehicles over the sand dunes. Although there was no cover from enemy artillery fire and plane strafing, he continued to operate his vehicle in a cool and efficient manner all that day and night, until he was overcome by exhaustion. His courageous initiative and devotion to duty were outstanding and contributed materially to the success achieved by his unit. Residence at enlistment: Wayzata, Minnesota. ✓

IV - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individual:

OSCAR W. GRISHAM, 18008210, Private First Class, *** Signal Intelligence Service, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, in July 1943 near ***, Tunisia. A soldier who was unable to swim was carried out to sea on an inflated inner tube. Private First Class Grisham went to his rescue but, due to a strong wind, was unable to get to shore. After they had been carried out to sea about five miles, the wind changed, and by very strong effort, Private First Class Grisham was able to maneuver the exhausted soldier to shore, thus saving his life. The courage and initiative displayed by Private First Class Grisham in effecting this rescue reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Seadrift, Texas. ✓

V - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

CHARLES R. SNYDER, 16000894, Staff Sergeant, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights, made in liaison type aircraft, from *** March 1943 to the end of the Sicilian Campaign. During this time Staff Sergeant Snyder flew a total of 89 missions, 11 of which were adjustment of fire, 16 were reconnaissance and 62 were courier and other missions. All were flown over and about enemy lines and in some cases the low-flying plane drew enemy ground fire. In one case in Tunisia Staff Sergeant Snyder landed his plane safely after having been severely injured by enemy rifle fire. Near ***, Sicily while on reconnaissance and fire adjustment missions, it was necessary for Staff Sergeant Snyder to fly low over enemy lines and at times out over the water and come in behind enemy lines in order to observe his target. In these flights he drew enemy ground fire and operated with

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enemy planes flying within close range. His courageous flying caused much damage to the enemy and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Carbondale, Illinois. ✓

THOMAS K. TURNER, 34713673, Staff Sergeant, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights, made in liaison type aircraft, from *** March 1943 to the end of the Sicilian Campaign. During this period Staff Sergeant Turner flew a total of 87 missions, 12 of which were adjustment of fire, 8 were reconnaissance and 67 were courier and other missions. All were flown over and about enemy lines from small unprepared landing strips covered with obstacles. Near *** Sicily, while on reconnaissance and fire adjustment missions, it was necessary for Staff Sergeant Turner to fly low over enemy lines and at times out over the water and come in behind enemy lines in order to observe his target. In these flights he drew enemy ground fire and operated with enemy planes flying within close range. His courageous flying caused much damage to the enemy and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Spartanburg, South Carolina. ✓

GLENN D. WICKER, O-2055199, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), ***, *** Field Artillery Group, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from *** March 1943 to *** August 1943. During this time, Lieutenant Wicker flew 263 combat missions in liaison type aircraft in the Tunisian and Sicilian Campaigns. Of these 22 were adjustment of fire, 29 were reconnaissance and 212 were courier and other missions. These missions were all flown over and about enemy lines. In some cases the low-flying plane drew enemy rifle, machine gun and artillery fire. The fields used were small and unprepared landing strips which called for excellent flying ability. Much damage was suffered by the enemy as a result of these flights. In all cases, Lieutenant Wicker showed good judgment, good flying ability and great courage. These achievements reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Fort Hays, Kansas.

JAMES F. DAVENPORT, O-1165109, First Lieutenant, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from *** March to *** August 1943. During this time Lieutenant Davenport flew a total of 126 combat missions, 16 of which were adjustment of fire, 27 were reconnaissance and 83 were courier and other missions. All were flown over and about enemy lines and in some cases the low-flying plane drew enemy ground fire. On one mission in Northern Tunisia, Lieutenant Davenport was attacked by enemy fire but succeeded in accomplishing his mission and returning safely to his field. These missions were flown from small, unprepared landing strips which called for excellent flying ability. Several enemy guns were destroyed and many losses suffered by the enemy from these flights. In all cases Lieutenant Davenport showed exceptional skill and courage, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Baltimore, Md. ✓

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the officer and enlisted men named below, 40th Engineer Combat Regiment and 1090th Engineer Utilities Company, are commended as a group for meritorious service with the following citation:

During the reconstruction of a power plant at Porto Empedocle, Sicily, on 5 and 6 September 1943, it was necessary to remove a large quantity of coal that was slowly being destroyed by fire caused by internal combustion. While proceeding with the removal of the coal, two 500-pound bombs were found in a very hot and dangerous condition. Fully aware of the danger involved, each of the men listed below aided in the safe disposal of these bombs, thereby protecting the power plant and the lives of many soldiers, civilians and prisoners of war. Their actions reflect great credit upon themselves and the military service.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>
Company "I", 40th Engineer Combat Regiment.		
VICAMPNER, GUSTAV J.	Second Lieutenant, CE	0-1105559
NEWTON, JAMES R.	Staff Sergeant	36126994
BRANZOVSKY, LADDIE (NMI)	Sergeant	37273412
BEARWRIGHT, WILLIAM F.	Sergeant	38023504
SMIDDY, SANSFIELD F.	Sergeant	36515494
DAVENNER, JOHN C.	Sergeant	37183021
WILLIAMS, ROBERT W.	Corporal	37259330
BEESON, WALTER A.	Private First Class	39403717
ZEIGAL, HENRY L.	Private First Class	37189055
NEILEN, CLEMENT T.	Private	32575607
PARIS, DEE (NMI)	Private	39689077

Company "H", 40th Engineer Combat Regiment.

SORTENBERG, LOUIS (NMI)	Technician Fifth Grade	37273140
QUAM, NELVIN (NMI)	Private First Class	37269170

1090th Engineer Utilities Company.

WHITE, HAROLD K.	Sergeant	39275770
MCKINLEY, EVELYN L.	Technician Fifth Grade	39407200
SEXTON, CORNELIUS J.	Technician Fifth Grade	32655692

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

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Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-15, the enlisted men named below, 6th Engineer Fire Fighting Detachment, are commended as a group for meritorious service with the following citation:

When fire broke out at the 6th Ammunition Dump, south of *** , Tunisia, on June 1943, each of the men listed below set to work with grim determination and wholehearted zeal to bring the fire under control. Throughout their struggle they were constantly in danger of being wounded or killed by flying shrapnel from bursting shells, but with utter disregard for their personal safety they persisted in combatting the blaze until ordered to leave the scene of the fire. Their daring action not only safeguarded many valuable piles of ammunition, but was largely responsible for saving the dump from complete destruction. The efforts and services of these men are worthy of the highest praise.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>RESIDENCE AT ENLISTMENT</u>
WILLIAM J. BRYAN	Staff Sergeant	20342710	Farsonsburg, Md.
STANLEY J. CRESWELL	Sergeant	12050120	Herkimer, N. Y.
THOMAS E. KILEY	Sergeant	31121204	Derby, Conn.
GLEN E. NOFFAN	Technician Fifth Grade	37335489	Akron, Colo.
JOHN S. ORZECZOWSKI	Technician Fifth Grade	32421295	New York, N. Y.
JAMES W. SMITH	Private First Class	39901964	Nephi, Utah
ARIFUR J. YOUNG	Private First Class	35419543	Granville, Ohio
PAUL J. BENGSTON	Private	37315711	Mohall, N. D.
MARTIN L. HORNE	Private	35619774	Circleville, O.
ROBERT J. MIERS	Private	38349602	Santa Fe, N. M.

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- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS I
- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE SILVER STAR II
- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. III
- AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. IV

I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-4, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer:

STUART B. LAMKIN, O-306086, Major, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on *** August 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. During the amphibious landing behind *** lines, a portion of our troops was ordered to withdraw to the protection of a high hill. This was done after all our tanks and artillery had been knocked out and the *** launched an attack with an overwhelming force of infantry. Major Lamkin voluntarily set up and operated alone a machine gun in order to cover the retreat of our troops. This gun was set up in an exposed position, which was the only one to afford a good field of fire to sweep the advancing ***. By his action he held up the attack for the few precious minutes necessary to allow the bulk of our forces to cover the exposed and unprotected face of the hill which they had to climb to safety. Major Lamkin maintained his position and continued to operate the machine gun in spite of heavy fire of all arms which was concentrated on the gun to knock it out, until his ammunition was exhausted. A few seconds later he lost his life. His voluntary action of protecting his comrades when he himself could have been one of the first to safety reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Stuart B. Lamkin, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER FOR THE SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster for the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officer:

ROBERT R. GAY, O-7329, Brigadier General, *** U. S. Army, for gallantry in action on *** July 1943 near ***, Sicily. When the American lines were seriously threatened by an enemy breakthrough, Brigadier General Gay promptly went to the zone of action, over beaches under continual bombardment, aerial strafing and artillery fire, and assisted in the direction of reinforcements which resulted in closing of the breakthrough and, subsequently, in the repulsion of counter-attacks. This action on his part, without regard for personal safety, was invaluable in securing the American lines and in preventing the loss of the *** bridgehead. Entered military service from Illinois.

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III - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

EDWARD A. KRIEGER, 35304956, Private First Class, Battery ***, ***, Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on *** August 1943 near ***, Sicily. During the amphibious landing behind *** lines, a message was received that the important telephone line between the force commander and the navy fire control party was out. Private First Class Krieger unhesitatingly volunteered to find the break although it necessitated crossing an open space of 300 yards being swept by machine gun fire and climbing the exposed face of a 700 foot hill which was under direct and heavy fire of all arms, examining the wire foot by foot as he went. Private First Class Krieger's successful accomplishment of his dangerous mission was an inspiring example to all members of the command. Residence at enlistment: Lorain, Ohio. (Prisoner of War).

IV - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, an Air Medal is awarded to each of the following named individuals:

ALLEN G. MAYER, 14073222, Sergeant, *** Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in liaison type aircraft as an artillery observer from *** July 1943 to the end of the Sicilian Campaign. Sergeant Mayer performed 20 missions during this period with a total flying time of 15 hours and 45 minutes. Flights were all over and about enemy lines and in many cases the plane drew enemy anti-aircraft fire, and on several occasions missions were completed in the presence of enemy fighters. While near ***, Sicily, Sergeant Mayer flew many times out over the water and came in behind enemy lines in order to observe enemy installations in valleys running perpendicular to the coast road. In spite of the dangers of being shot down in this slow unarmored aircraft, Sergeant Mayer calmly conducted the fire of his battalion in such a manner as to cause great damage to enemy personnel and installations. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Camden, South Carolina.

LEROY G. STEVENS, JR., O-497331, First Lieutenant, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in liaison type aircraft, as an artillery observer, from *** July 1943 to the end of the Sicilian Campaign. Lieutenant Stevens performed 24 missions during this period with a total flying time of 22 hours and 30 minutes. Flights were all over and about enemy lines and in many cases the plane drew enemy anti-aircraft fire, and on several occasions missions were completed in the presence of enemy fighters. While near ***, Sicily, Lieutenant Stevens many times flew out over the water and came in behind enemy lines in order to observe enemy installations in valleys running perpendicular to the coast road. In spite of the dangers of being shot down in this slow unarmored aircraft, Lieutenant Stevens

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calmly conducted the fire of his battalion in such a manner as to cause great damage to enemy personnel and installations. During the amphibious operations at ***, Sicily, Lieutenant Stevens, with his radio and by dropped messages, provided for several hours the only means of communication with army troops who were landed there behind enemy lines. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kenmore, New York.

ROBERT L. HUTCHINS, O-404460, Captain, Headquarters, *** Field Artillery Group, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights as a pilot of unescorted liaison type aircraft from *** April 1943 to *** August 1943. During this time Captain Hutchins flew a total of 146 combat missions, 32 of which were reconnaissance and 114 were courier and other missions. Accomplishment of all these missions was made in the vicinity of enemy lines, over an area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft. The fact that flying was done over extremely rugged terrain under unfavorable weather conditions and sometimes after dark added to the hazards of these missions. The landing strips available were almost invariably hazardous and inadequate, and the successful accomplishment of these missions was largely due to the skill and judgment of Captain Hutchins. His technical knowledge and ability as Group Air Officer has resulted in a well coordinated and efficient section. Entered military service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

By command of Lieutenant General FATTON:

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AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-25, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following individuals:

ROBERT A. GRAHAM, O-1577245, Second Lieutenant, GAC, AOS, *** Quartermaster Company, for extraordinary heroism, not in action, on the morning of *** August 1943 at *** Sicily. During and after a bombing attack by enemy aircraft, Lieutenant Graham, although injured by a bomb fragment, proceeded directly to the motor pool at the port to check for his company personnel and vehicles on duty there at the time. He quickly reorganized his trucks and drivers for continued and emergency use. After this, Lieutenant Graham went forward unhesitatingly to the end of a pier, disregarding the missiles hurling from a nearby burning and exploding ship and did personally drive a government truck, partially loaded with ammunition, from stern-side an ammunition ship. This service saved vital material from probable loss. The coolness and resourcefulness displayed by Lieutenant Graham is worthy of mention and deserving of the highest praise. Entered service from Lakeland, Florida.

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

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SUBJECT: Award of Purple Heart.

TO : All Concerned.

Under the provisions of paragraphs 11 and 15, AR 600-45, as changed by Change No. 4, and paragraph 3, Circular No. 126, Headquarters North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, APO #594, 2 July 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named officer for wounds received in action with an enemy of the United States or as a result of an act of such enemy. In the presentation of this award, attention is invited to paragraph 3c, Circular No. 126, Hq NATOUSA, 2 July 1943.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ORGN</u>
Captain	Turner M. Smith	0-304679	Hq Co., Seventh Army.

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:


J. Y. RAME,
Major, AGD,
Asst Adjutant General

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SUBJECT: Award of Purple Heart.

TO : All Concerned.

Under the provisions of paragraphs 11 and 15, AR 600-45, as changed by Change No. 4, and paragraph 3, Circular No. 126, Headquarters North African Theater of Operations, United States Army, APO #534, 2 July 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted man for wounds received in action with an enemy of the United States or as a result of an act of such enemy. In the presentation of this award, attention is invited to paragraph 3c, Circular No. 126, Hq NATOUSA, 2 July 1943.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ORGN</u>
Sergeant	Anthony M. Ribarich	13141830	Experimental Detachment, G-3, AFHQ.

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

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I - AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following:

ROBERT L. BEALL, 17076700, Technician Fifth Grade, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 10 July 1943 during beach operations near ***, Sicily. Technician Fifth Grade Beall, then a Private First Class, and an army officer, while moving along the beach, were suddenly fired upon by the enemy from a fortified house. Upon finding cover it was revealed that the fortified house was approximately 300 yards inland with a double apron fence which was reported mined, surrounding it. The enemy position had approximately 30 naval and army personnel pinned to the ground. Since this position stopped all travel on the beach it was imperative that the fire be nullified so the beach head could be established. The officer asked for volunteers to go with him through the mined wire and assault the fortified house. Technician Fifth Grade Beall, the single volunteer, moved to the flank, through the wire and mines and assaulted the fortified house from the opposite side of the officer. The enemy was driven from the house by weapons fire and hand grenade. There were ten prisoners captured in this encounter. The action nullified the fire power of two 50 Caliber machine guns and the enemies' small arms, at the same time clearing the beach for the assaulting infantry waves and leaving it free for further operations which were of utmost importance at that time. Technician Fifth Grade Beall's coolness, courage and bravery when faced by superior enemy fire, and his complete disregard for personal safety are exemplary of high devotion to duty and reflect much credit upon the Army of the United States. Residence at enlistment: Edwardsville, Kansas. (AG 200.6/U-256)

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WARREN W. BEAMISH, 37086785, Staff Sergeant, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 10 July 1943 in the vicinity of ***, Sicily. A few minutes after landing, Staff Sergeant Beamish, then a

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Sergeant and squad leader, volunteered to accompany an army officer and, under fire from enemy guns, succeeded in moving inland, assaulting a gun position and pill box which was being manned by six Italian soldiers. This action resulted in the capture of the enemy and opened a landing site, specifically nullifying the fire power of the enemy on our assault and landing craft and opened a path for the advancing infantry. Staff Sergeant Beamish and the officer then proceeded up the beach in search of a better landing site and suitable position for erection of panel lights. Upon locating such a site the officer and Staff Sergeant Beamish proceeded to erect the lights. When the lights were turned on, the Staff Sergeant and officer continued to advance and captured twenty-five Italian soldiers who were manning 20 millimeter and 50 Caliber guns. This action opened the beach for 500 yards, affording the infantry assault waves a clean beach. The aggressiveness of Staff Sergeant Beamish, his complete disregard for personal safety, his coolness and courage under fire and in the face of a numerically superior enemy reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: Saginaw, Michigan. (AG 200.6/U-267)

CHARLES P. DROLLA, 39009967, Sergeant, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action near ***, Sicily on 7 August 1943. Sergeant Drolla, in command of a four-man patrol sent out to contact elements of the *** Battalion, suddenly came under enemy fire. Ordering his men to take cover, Sergeant Drolla proceeded alone to flank the sniper. Unsuccessful in this effort, he ordered his patrol to continue and led them forward another 600 yards when they were ambushed by a squad of Germans armed with machine pistols. During this ambush, three members of his squad were injured, one seriously. Sergeant Drolla, uninjured, voluntarily crawled through heavy machine pistol fire to move the seriously wounded man to cover and to give him emergency aid. In attempting to rejoin his patrol, he was wounded, and, ignoring German demands that he surrender, sent one man back to report enemy contact and to inform his company commander of his decision to remain to protect and administer aid to the seriously wounded man until he could be evacuated under cover of darkness. At 2000 hours on the same day, Sergeant Drolla and the one remaining member of his patrol, both wounded, crawled and ran 250 yards through heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to recover and administer aid to the other wounded. The following morning he reported to his battalion commander and volunteered to lead aid men with a stretcher to evacuate the wounded. His extraordinary heroism and bravery under fire, his initiative and determination, his gallant spirit of self-sacrifice, and service to his wounded comrades, is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Army and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Residence at enlistment: San Rafael, California. (AG 200.6/S-165)

THOMAS F. FARRELL, JR., O-24712, First Lieutenant, CE, *** Engineer Combat Regiment for extraordinary heroism in action on 10 July 1943 at **** four miles west of ***, Sicily. Proceeding down the beach with Technician Fifth Grade William H. Miller and Technician Fifth Grade James H. Gunn, members of his reconnaissance party, to set up landing markers, First Lieutenant Thomas F. Farrell, Jr. encountered machine gun fire from concrete gun emplace-

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ments which had been by-passed by the infantry and was strafing the beach of oncoming troops. Without regard for his own personal safety, he assaulted the emplacements. There was an exchange of hand grenades and rifle fire from a distance of less than five yards from the first pill box and one of the enemy was severely wounded. Hand grenades were thrown into the machine gun nest and the occupants attempted to escape via a system of trenches. First Lieutenant Farrell fired on these men. One was killed and at least one wounded. He then encountered the third emplacement which he entered and took twelve prisoners. First Lieutenant Farrell's action undoubtedly saved the lives of many men on the LCI's who had not yet disembarked. Entered military service from: Washington, D. C. (AG 200.6/S-176)

KEITH E. MILLER, O-1105676, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on 10 July 1943, southeast of ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Miller and a small party of riflemen while on a reconnaissance for LST landing sites were fired upon by enemy machine guns on a hill to their flank. Leaving the riflemen to cover his movements and with one volunteer, a paratrooper who had joined the party, Lieutenant Miller flanked the enemy position. At very close range under fire from their guns, he succeeded in reducing three pill boxes and captured thirty of the enemy. In the same action he stood up in full view of the enemy guns and directed the fire of a friendly seaplane which arrived at the scene. Lieutenant Miller's courageous actions resulted in the capture of 100 enemy prisoners and the reduction of at least four pill boxes. His courage and coolness under fire and in the face of a greatly superior enemy are of the highest credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from: Macon, Missouri. (AG 200.6/S-230)

GEORGE S. SPOHN, O-1106496, Second Lieutenant, CE, Headquarters ***, Battalion, *** Engineer Combat Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action 10 July 1943 during landing operations near ***, Sicily. Lieutenant Spohn, then a platoon leader in charge of shore engineer work, after landing in the second assault wave, found that his men and other landing craft approaching the beach were under enemy machine gun fire from a position a short distance inland. Lieutenant Spohn and one enlisted man moved inland under heavy fire from the emplaced enemy machine gun, and forced the surrender of its crew by delivering sub-machine gun fire and throwing hand grenades. Several minutes later the beach was again brought under enemy fire from another machine gun emplaced a short distance up the beach. Lieutenant Spohn, and another enlisted man, a volunteer, while under fire from the gun, proceeded to make their way through barbed wire and a mine field surrounding the emplaced gun and forced the surrender of its crew by delivering sub-machine gun fire and throwing hand grenades. His outstanding action, without regard to personal safety, undoubtedly saved many lives and resulted in the speedy organization of the beach to safely receive much needed troops and supplies. His coolness, courage and outstanding leadership displayed under fire reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from: Rahns, Pennsylvania. (200.6/U-357)

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II - AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldiers Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

JOHN (SEN) GANZIANO, 36003880, Private, Battery **, *** Separate Coast Artillery Battalion (AA), for extraordinary heroism not in action on 19 July 1943, near ***, Sicily. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Private Ganziano rushed to the aid of a civilian crew member of a burning train who was lying near a flaming gasoline and ammunition dump with his clothing in flames. Private Ganziano, with two other soldiers, realizing that the ammunition dump might explode at any moment, gave invaluable assistance in removing the civilian to safety. His heroic action and courage in the face of great danger reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from: Melrose Park, Illinois.

(AG 200.6/U-359)

III - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, an Air Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

TED W. CHILLES, O-394115, First Lieutenant, FA, **** Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in forty-five aerial flights, totaling forty-six hours and thirty-five minutes, as observer and pilot of field artillery liaison type aircraft from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 during the Sicilian Campaign. Accomplishment of twenty-two of these missions was made near, over and beyond enemy front lines where he was fired upon by enemy anti-aircraft guns, over an area known to be covered by enemy fighter aircraft, while using rough and difficult landing fields near the front lines. This pilot exhibited untiring energy and meticulous care while flying. The fact that flying was done over extremely rugged terrain, and under unfavorable weather conditions where there were extremely tricky wind currents added to the hazards of these missions. The services of First Lieutenant Chiles reflect great credit on the military forces of the United States. Entered military service from: Albertville, Alabama. (AG 200.6/20 Dec 43).

By Command of the ARMY COMMANDER:

ROBERT R. GAY,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

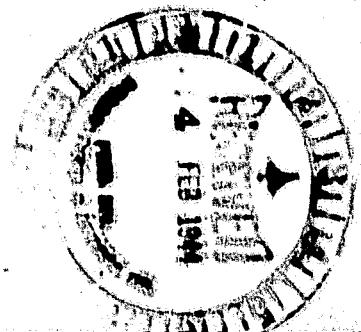
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AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

GEORGE E. CARROLL, 7041031, Sgt, Headquarters Company, I Armored Corps, Reinforced, Tunisia, 20 June 1943. Entered service from Dwarf, Kentucky.

By Command of Major General PATCH:

**ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.**

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**CHAS. F. KNIGHTON, JR.,
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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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

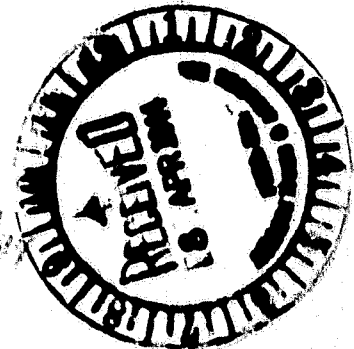
GEORGE R. OWENS, 20442222, Sergeant, Battery "C", 107th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, Mobile, for gallantry in action, on 11 July 1943, ~~at sea~~. When the ship on which Sergeant Owens was aboard had been bombed by enemy aircraft and set on fire, Sergeant Owens, utterly disregarding his own safety, remained on board and under continued enemy fire aided not only his own gun crew, but also other men on that part of the ship to abandon ship. After all the men except the Captain and First Mate of the Ship had abandoned ship, Sergeant Owens then left the ship and aided men who were unable to swim to life boats. His courage in face of great danger set a high example to all his comrades. Entered service from: Newberry, South Carolina.

By Command of the COMMANDING GENERAL:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Colonel, GSC,
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CHAS. F. KNOXTON, JR.,
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I - AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JOHN H. OLIN, 0324955, Lt. Col., Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: Oklawaha, Florida.

JOSEPH A. PELTON, 0329346, Major, GSO, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 November 1942 to 1 July 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: Pontiac, Michigan.

A. Z. CROMWELL, 37138730, M/Sgt., QMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 5 April 1943 to 1 September 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Kansas City, Missouri.

RUSSELL M. HOSHTETLER, 35155592, M/Sgt., QMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 5 April 1943 to 1 September 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Peru, Indiana.

ROSS A. JAMIFSON, W-2130716, WO (Jg), NMB (then M/Sgt.), Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943, in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Powell, Wyoming.

GORDON C. GILL, 0308646, Major, QMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 5 April 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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SAMUEL F. GRAHAM, 01576054, Capt., OMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 5 April 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Portland, Oregon.

JAMES F. TWEDY, 0274993, Lt. Col., OMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States, from 1 March 1943 to 27 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: San Antonio, Texas.

15--AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL.

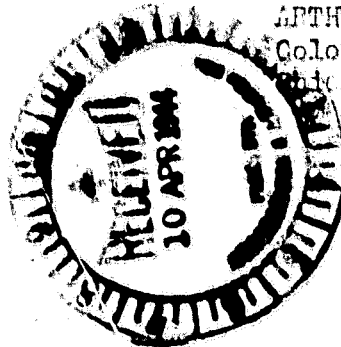
Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, an Air Medal is awarded to the following:

JAMES C. MOYER, 18130867, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, Fifth Field Artillery Group, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 22 April 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign.

EDWARD R. SMARTT, 0413804, First Lieutenant, FA, 17th Field Artillery Group, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights from 22 July 1943 to 14 August 1943, during the Sicilian campaign.

By Command of Major General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.



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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

CLYDE MASSEY, O15551, Colonel, OMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 March 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered United States Military Academy from: Falls City, Nebraska.

ROBERT E. HOLMAN, O304526, Lieutenant Colonel, OMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 November 1942 to 1 November 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: South Carolina.

HAROLD E. HOPPING, O183266, Lieutenant Colonel, Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: Los Angeles, California.

DONALD I. PATTISON, O303888, Major, Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 June 1943 to 1 November 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Winslow, Arizona.

WILLIAM J. CHALKLEY, O290063, Major, Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 November 1942 to 1 November 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: Niland, California.

PAUL R. HOOK, O405420, Captain, FA, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 22 April 1943 to 1 November 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: St. Louis, Missouri.

HOWARD A. ENQUIER, O2046628, First Lieutenant, LCD, Headquarters Third Army, then assigned Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 11 September 1942 to 17 August 1943 including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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✓ **WILLIAM G. MC GANN**, 6882812, Master Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 November 1942 to 1 November 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Connellsville, Pa.

✓ **CHARLES A. PARKER**, 34083544, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943, in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Atlanta, Georgia.

✓ **RAYMOND A. HAYES**, 35403550, Technical Sergeant, Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 22 April 1943 to 1 November 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Columbus, Ohio.

✓ **ELMER E. RUBAC**, 38183335, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 5 April 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

✓ **JACOB L. SEEMANN**, 38174013, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 July 1943 to 17 August 1943, in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from: New Orleans, Louisiana.

By Command of Major General FATCH:

OFFICIAL:

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W. G. CALDWELL,
Colonel, AGP,
Adjutant General.

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Colonel, GSC,
Staff.



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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. So much of General Orders No. 19, this headquarters, as, as pertains to HAROLD E. HOPPING, 0183266, Lieutenant Colonel, Ord, Headquarters Seventh Army, is rescinded and the following is substituted therefor:

"HAROLD E. HOPPING, 0183266, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel), Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from: Los Angeles, California."

By Command of Major General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

✓ CHARLES H. BROWN, 02046415, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

✓ HENRY H. CARPIS, 34026189, Technical Sergeant, Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 February 1943 to 21 April 1944, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Rome, Georgia.

✓ JOHN A. CHAMBERS, 0251918, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from South Effingham, New Hampshire.

✓ JOHN E. CLEARY, 01633760, Captain (then First Lieutenant), SC, Company "C", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 18 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

ROBERT J. GOLDSON, 022778, Lieutenant Colonel, MC, Headquarters Seventh Army (then Commanding Officer, 56th Medical Battalion), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 March 1943 to 1 November 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

✓ JESSE R. HIGHTOWER, 0372259, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Itta Bena, Mississippi.

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JOHN A. HINKLE, 35118169, Technical Sergeant, SC, Company "B", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from New Lebanon, Ohio.

EMERY D. K. JACKSON, 0361657, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), GMC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 26 August 1942 to 1 July 1943, including the Moroccan campaign. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

FABIAN (MHI) LAUER, 33140298, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 22 June 1943 to 19 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

RUSSELL B. LOE, 0334299, Major (then Captain), AGD, 20th Machine Records Unit (Mobile), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 24 December 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

ROBERT H. LUTHER, 02055982, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), SC, Company "B", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

WILEY F. MORGAN, 36219307, Master Sergeant, MD, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 May 1943 to 1 September 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Marquette, Michigan.

BENJAMIN (MHI) OSWERCY, 32303995, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), SC, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 17 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.

EDWARD W. PATTERSON, 34078727, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

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HERBERT P. SCHOWALTER, 0210991, Lieutenant Colonel, Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from West Bend, Wisconsin.

GALE E. SMITH, 36105732, Staff Sergeant, Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 16 July 1943 to 26 July 1943, during the Sicilian campaign. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

PAUL M. THOMPSON, 0489923, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

By Command of Major General PATCH:

ARMOUR A. WHITE,
Colonel, GSC,
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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

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JOSEPH (MI) BAUKA, 35013301, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the ~~Moscow~~ and ~~Stettin~~ campaigns. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

HOWARD D. BLATTER, 02055438, Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), SO, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the ~~Stettin~~ campaign. Entered military service from Fulton, Missouri.

WILLIAM F. CAPPAL, 35459926, Technical Sergeant, MD, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 February 1943 to 1 September 1943, including the ~~Stettin~~ campaign. Entered military service from Covington, Kentucky.

EDWIN D. ELLER, 0908641, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the ~~Stettin~~ campaign. Entered military service from Rahway, New Jersey.

JAMES J. ENRIGHT, 32357744, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 13 November 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the ~~Moscow~~ and ~~Stettin~~ campaigns. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

EUGENE R. NAAS, 20816027, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), MD, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 1 September 1943, including the ~~Stettin~~ campaign. Entered military service from New Braunfels, Texas.

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RALPH D. KING, 020115, Lieutenant Colonel, CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the ~~Sicilian~~ campaign. Entered United States Military Academy from Buffalo, New York.

RUSSELL N. McCLAREN, 31035531, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the ~~Moroccan~~ and ~~Sicilian~~ campaigns. Entered military service from Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

MURRAY L. MAURER, 0425682, Captain, MC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the ~~Sicilian~~ campaign. Entered military service from St. Albans, Long Island, New York.

RAYMOND G. OSBORN, 0345430, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Cav., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 September 1942 to 19 August 1943, including the ~~Moroccan~~ and ~~Sicilian~~ campaigns. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

JOHN E. PEDERSON, 0456057, Captain, AGD, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 18 November 1942 to 17 April 1944, including the ~~Sicilian~~ campaign. Entered military service from Willmar, Minnesota.

CHARLES (NMI) RAULERSON, 0430373, Major (then Captain), MAC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 November 1942 to 1 November 1943, including the ~~Moroccan~~ and ~~Sicilian~~ campaigns. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

HOWARD E. RICE, 6833099, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the ~~Moroccan~~ and ~~Sicilian~~ campaigns. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

JEREMIAH C. SHEA, 19115479, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 May 1943 to 17 August 1943, including the ~~Sicilian~~ campaign. Entered military service from Butte, Montana.

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ALEY L. SMITH, 0450908, Captain, SC, Wire Operations Company, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the ~~Shobhan~~ campaign. Entered military service from Ripley, West Virginia.

JAMES S. STANK, 6853098, Master Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant), Ord., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the ~~Manassas~~ and ~~Spottsville~~ campaigns. Entered military service from Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

By Command of Major General **PATCH:**

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

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Army Commander to the following named enlisted man:

JAMES M. MENTZER, 35013487, Technical Sergeant, SC, Company "D", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 4 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Sergeant Mentzer, by his ceaseless efforts, greatly facilitated the maintenance of vital open wire, telephone, and teletype communication circuits from the rapidly advancing front line units to the Army Headquarters. Although his arduous duties were made increasingly difficult by the repeated sabotage of the lines and cable, Sergeant Mentzer, as a result of his superior technical knowledge, initiative, and devotion to duty was able to maintain this vital communication throughout. Sergeant Mentzer was killed in line of duty on 4 August 1943. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary E. Mentzer (Wife), 814 Mathias Avenue, Massillon, Ohio.

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II -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is hereby awarded by the Army Commander to the following named personnel:

RAYMOND C. BRIGGS, 0240174, CMP, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 9 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Through his untiring efforts and leadership, Lieutenant Colonel Briggs overcame seemingly insurmountable obstacles to establish orderly and effective procedures for the listing and disposition of prisoners of war in the Sicilian campaign. That such plans were sound and workable, was clearly demonstrated in the efficient manner in which the thousands of prisoners taken during the Sicilian campaign were handled. His sound judgment, initiative, careful planning and devotion to duty contributed materially to the successful operations of our forces. Entered military service from Mount Morris, New York.

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JOHN J. DOLINAR, 35012826, Master Sergeant, SC, Company "A", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. As Radio Operations Chief in charge of radio communications for the Seventh Army, Master Sergeant Dolinar assumed and discharged the duties of that position in an exemplary and meritorious manner. Landing in Sicily, under heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Dolinar established beach-head communications for the Army Headquarters, thereby making it possible for the army staff to move ashore and maintain continuous contact with all elements. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

EDWIN C. FRECHEN, 32100526, Master Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Seventh Army (then Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Provisional Corps, Seventh Army), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 15 July 1943 to 28 July 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. As senior non-commissioned officer in the Headquarters Provisional Corps, Seventh Army, Sergeant Frechen was given the responsibility of First Sergeant of the short-handed Headquarters Detachment. Sergeant Frechen quickly organized the Headquarters Detachment into a mobile, smoothly functioning unit. Due to shortage of officers it was necessary for Technical Sergeant Frechen to assume many of the responsibilities of the Headquarters Commandant, taking full charge of administration and supply of the Headquarters Detachment, dispersion and concealment of the Corps command post installations, camp sanitation and messing. Through his leadership, untiring effort, devotion to duty, and unswerving loyalty, he kept the hastily organized and under strength Headquarters Detachment of the Provisional Corps, Seventh Army, operating continuously and efficiently despite the pressure of the rapid advance of that Corps on Palermo. Entered military service from Castleton on Hudson, New York.

PAUL J. HARRINGTON, 6992295, Master Sergeant, FD, 25th Finance Disbursing Section, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 17 November 1942 to 31 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. As Principal Clerk of the Finance Disbursing Section he performed his duties in a superior manner and beyond the normal call of duty. In the Sicilian operation, Sergeant Harrington's unit was designated to secure the supply of newly printed Allied Military Currency. His untiring efforts and valuable suggestions facilitated the many transfers of this currency to other units. All of these duties were in addition to the supervision of computation and subsequent payment of the large numbers of vouchers presented for payment. Entered military service from Newark, Ohio.

JAMES D. HILLEKE, 0379221, Captain, CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. As Engineer Supply Officer of Western Task Force and later Seventh Army, Captain Hilleke was responsible for properly equipping units with engineer material for two major operations. He determined all requirements and insured the availability of the necessary material in time to meet the operational requirements. His initiative, intelligence, and untiring efforts contributed materially to the successful completion of both the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

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LAWRENCE M. LaFLEUR, 31016081, Technical Sergeant, Inf., Headquarters Company, Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. As maintenance sergeant of the Provisional Tank Company, Headquarters Company, Seventh Army, which was the defense unit of the Army Command Post, Sergeant LaFleur developed a method of changing tracks on tanks which required less time, used less equipment and facilitated the readying of the tanks for future use. His superior technical skill enabled him to maintain the highest efficiency of operation for the tank company. Entered military service from Beverly, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM I. MATOTAN, 18121143, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), CE, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. As secretary to the Army Engineer, Sergeant Matotan carried responsibility considerably in excess of that normally expected of an enlisted man of like grade. During the planning and the operational stages he was responsible for turning out, speedily and correctly, communication for his section. In addition, control of secret documents was centralized in him. His initiative, ability, complete dependability and capacity for work was of immense importance in enabling the Engineer Section, with limited personnel, to function in a superior manner. Entered military service from Deming, New Mexico.

GARNETT E. McCOLLIM, 39605288, Technician Third Grade, Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 31 July 1942 to 17 April 1944, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Technician Third Grade McCollim demonstrated a tremendous personal capacity for work, resourcefulness and untiring devotion in processing, directing and maintaining a check on highly classified, official correspondence, for this headquarters during the campaigns against the enemy. Entered military service from Great Falls, Montana.

JACK N. MAHAS, 0389750, Major (then Captain), SC, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 18 November 1942 to 1 September 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. As Assistant G-4, Western Task Force, later I Armored Corps, later Seventh Army, Major Mahas was largely responsible for the solving of the local native labor problem and the surmounting of the numerous attendant difficulties of providing means of unloading supplies and their care. By his supreme energy, extremely diplomatic relationship with Allied officials, tireless devotion to tasks beyond the call of duty and astute supervision, he surmounted all difficulties and accomplished his mission in an exceptional manner. His work, which contributed materially to the successful completion of the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns, reflects great credit to himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army. Entered military service from Beaumont, Texas.

HENRY F. NEWTON, 14082536, Technician Third Grade, FD, 26th Finance Disbursing Unit, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 17 November 1942 to 31 August

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1943, including the Sicilian campaign. As cashier of his unit he performed his duties in a superior manner and beyond the normal call of duty. During the period of 1 February to 15 February 1943 with the change in exchange rate, he worked under pressure exchanging millions of dollars for the troops. In Sicily, with the added difficulty of handling American, British, French and Italian currencies, he again exchanged millions of dollars in an outstanding manner. Entered military service from West Palm Beach, Florida.

ERNEST W. OLLIVER, JR., 12016481, Master Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. As a senior clerk in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, he performed outstanding work during the planning and operational stages of the Sicilian Invasion. During the initial stages of this operation, Master Sergeant Olliver was in charge of all clerical work for the G-3 Section with the Seventh Army Near Shore Control Headquarters. During this period, handicapped by a shortage of personnel and charged with an enormous amount of additional work occasioned by the necessities of the operation, he distinguished himself by complete devotion to duty. Following the conclusion of his Near Shore Control duties, he proceeded to Sicily and assumed the duties of Chief Clerk for the G-3 Section at the Advance Command Post of Seventh Army. Throughout the remainder of the operation he served in this capacity and by his tireless efforts and intelligent application to duty materially contributed to the efficient functioning of the G-3 Section and the successful culmination of the campaign. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

CHESTER A. RAASCH, 36235718, Technical Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943. As confidential secretary to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, Technical Sergeant Raasch rendered outstanding services during the planning phase and throughout the entire Sicilian campaign. Handicapped by an acute shortage of personnel, and burdened with the additional responsibility of duties normally performed by personnel of considerably higher rank, Technical Sergeant Raasch distinguished himself by his outstanding devotion to duty. After landing in Sicily, Technical Sergeant Raasch assisted in establishing the Advance Command Post, Seventh Army. Having been assigned the additional duty of Chief Clerk of the G-3 Section, pending the arrival of additional enlisted personnel, he again distinguished himself by his outstanding initiative, intelligence, and loyal devotion to duty. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

PAUL R. ROSEBERRY, 15013623, Technical Sergeant, SC, Company "A", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 18 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. During this period, Sergeant Roseberry was Radio Operations Non-Commissioned Officer in charge of radio communication for Army Headquarters. In the landings in Sicily he directed radio control from the headquarters ship and later successfully coordinated his installation with radio control on the beach. Due to

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the difficult terrain and rapid movement of Army Headquarters Sergeant Roseberry worked long hours under enemy fire maintaining radio communications that were of the highest caliber. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

GEORGE J. SCHREIBER, 01636613, First Lieutenant, SC, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 13 May 1943 to 2 September 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. During this operation, Lieutenant Schreiber, as officer in command of a radio operations team charged with supplying lateral communication between the Seventh United States Army and the Eighth British Army, performed his assignment in an exemplary and meritorious manner. This officer's resourcefulness, devotion to duty, and unusual ability in coordinating this communication assignment with our allies were such to reflect the greatest credit upon the military service. Entered military service from Saddle River, New Jersey.

JESSE D. SMELSER, 35031928, Master Sergeant, SC, Company "D", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 18 July 1943 to 18 August 1943. Sergeant Smelser, by his initiative, foresight, untiring devotion to duty, and technical excellence, was able meritoriously to coordinate the operations of his construction platoon so that it was able to furnish consistently successful wire circuits from Army to II Corps despite the rapid advance of the Corps Headquarters throughout the Sicilian campaign. Sergeant Smelser's meritorious service was an inspiration to all members of his battalion. Entered military service from Celina, Ohio.

MANUEL L. SOBIE, 02055318, Second Lieutenant (then Master Sergeant), SC, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 15 May 1943 to 18 August 1943, including the Sicilian campaign. In the invasion of Sicily, Lieutenant Sobie was the non-commissioned officer in charge of the advance message center for Army Headquarters. Upon landing, under fire, he set up two message centers to take over communications from the Headquarters ship. During the subsequent days of the campaign Lieutenant Sobie established and maintained advance message centers to keep pace with the rapidly advancing Army Headquarters. As a result of the extensive training of the message center personnel by Lieutenant Sobie, these message centers were able to operate efficiently with the limited number of personnel available. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

MARCUS M. STAPLES, 01284414, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Inf., Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 8 November 1942 to 17 August 1943, including the Moroccan and Sicilian campaigns. Captain Staples, because of his technical knowledge in the field of combat intelligence acquired from intimate experience and exhaustive research, made a material contribution to the success of both campaigns. The spirit, resourcefulness, and ingenuity with which he carried out the difficult task of organizing and directing the maintenance of the War Room equipment and personnel was in every way of exemplary nature and an inspiration to those under and with whom he

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served. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

ARTHUR W. STILLWAGON, 01636700, First Lieutenant, SG, Company "D", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Lieutenant Stillwagon commanded a construction platoon of Company "D" that distinguished itself throughout the Sicilian campaign by its resourcefulness and untiring devotion to duty as it successfully carried forward the wire axis to II Corps during the rapid advance of the Corps against the enemy. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

JOHN P. TILLMAN, 09581, Colonel, FD, Headquarters Seventh Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 28 May 1943 to 6 January 1944, including the Sicilian campaign. As Finance Officer, Colonel Tillman was keenly aware of the complicated problems that would arise and by his anticipation of such problems he forestalled many situations which might well have become serious. His exceptional initiative and outstanding ability were of great value to the Allied Military Government in organizing for the distribution of Allied Military Currency in Sicily. Entered military service from Illinois.

DAVID D. ZINK, 0173601, Colonel (then Lieutenant Colonel), GSC, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Colonel Zink's superior conception of G-1 functioning contributed considerably to the success of the Seventh Army in the Sicilian campaign. His superior planning and executive ability enabled him to perform outstandingly in the handling of a tremendous number of prisoners of war, the rapid establishment of the Command Post during the swift progress of the Seventh Army, and the handling of replacements, casualties and hospital evacuees. His untiring efforts and complete devotion to duty are worthy of the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Eugene, Oregon.

By Command of Major General PATCH:

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- Award of the Soldiers Medal I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal (POSTHUMOUS) II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal III

I -- AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named enlisted men:

RUBEN RAMOS, 10405376, Technician Fifth Grade, Inf., Headquarters Company, 65th United States Infantry Regiment, for heroism on 27 May 1944 at * * *, Algeria. While performing duty with a wire party which was laying a field line from the Regimental Bivouac Area to the Leadership and Combat Training School, the field line came in contact with a high voltage line carrying thirty thousand (30,000) volts. Two linemen, who were splicing the field line at this time were knocked to the ground with their hands "frozen" to the field line. One of the men was unconscious and both were in immediate danger of severe injury or death. Disregarding his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade Ramos with his pliers cut the field line between the two men and the point of contact with the high voltage line. The prompt and gallant action of Technician Fifth Grade Ramos reflects the highest credit on himself and the military service. Entered the military service from Yauco, Puerto Rico.

II -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Army Commander to the following named enlisted men:

ELBERT BOATMAN, 36118258, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), SC, Company "D", First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 1 August 1943 to 10 August 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. Sergeant Boatman acted in the capacity of a construction team leader and was responsible for the construction of vital open wire lines from Seventh Army Headquarters to its forward units. To facilitate the rapid construction of this line, it was

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necessary to route it through an area that was heavily infested with enemy mines. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Boatman led his crew and directed the construction of the line through this hazardous territory in such a manner as to result in superior communications in a minimum of time and with complete safety for all members of his crew. Later in this same period he repeatedly returned to this area to repair the lines which were blown out by the intermittent explosions of the mines. Each time communications were established under extremely adverse conditions without injury to any of the construction personnel. Next of kin: William Boatman (Father), RFD #3, Hudson, Michigan.

III -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is hereby awarded by the Army Commander to the following named enlisted man:

THOMAS W. ZELLER, 36048361, Private First Class, SC, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on 12 July 1943 in the Sicilian campaign. While driving for a wire reconnaissance party, which included the Battalion Commander, Private First Class Zeller was suddenly faced with a German Mark IV tank spearheading a counter-attack by the German infantry. The tank immediately opened fire with machine guns. By his quick thinking and skillful operation of the vehicle, Private First Class Zeller enable all four of the occupants to eject themselves from the vehicle into cover before the surprised machine gunners of the enemy tank could deliver accurate fire upon them. When the subsequent counter-attack swept through the cover, Private First Class Zeller was captured by German infantry and removed far to the rear of the enemy lines. Determined to escape and rejoin his unit, he made a dash for nearby cover under continuous fire from enemy guards and, picking his way carefully through the enemy infested territory, worked his way back to his own unit. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

By Command of Major General PATCH;

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AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following enlisted man:

JESUS MONTANEZ, 10401374, Corporal, Headquarters ^{Area, Algeria} Company, 65th Infantry Regiment, for heroism on 12 June 1944 at * * *. While Corporal Montanez was undergoing amphibious training with his organization upon a nearby beach, the alarm was given that one of three civilians who were swimming in the vicinity was drowning. Corporal Montanez, disregarding his own safety, swiftly plunged into the rough sea and swam approximately 200 yards to reach the side of the drowning civilian, whom he buoyed up until a boat manned by two soldiers came to their rescue. The prompt and gallant action of Corporal Montanez reflects the highest credit on himself and the military service. Entered the military service from Fajardo, Puerto Rico.

By command of Major General PATCH:

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
Award of the Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster. II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named enlisted man:

ALVIN SYMON, 36515582, Sergeant, Fifth Company, Third Regiment, First Special Service Force, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 May 1944 in the vicinity of Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

II - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL AND OAK LEAF CLUSTER

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal and appropriate Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to the following individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights:

AIR MEDAL

WILLIAM K. BROWN, 01165270, First Lieutenant, Headquarters 171st Field Artillery Battalion, from 25 April 1944 to 3 June 1944. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

BURTON B. BURRIS, 01703062, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters 160th Field Artillery Battalion, from 25 April 1944 to 6 June 1944. Entered military service from Wewoka, Oklahoma.

ROBERT DEAN, 01165845, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 189th Field Artillery Battalion, from 8 March 1944 to 15 May 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

KENITH C. LARSEN, 01166537, First Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 June 1944 to 23 June 1944. Entered military service from St. James, Minnesota.

RICHARD L. WEIL, 0435625, First Lieutenant, 132d Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 September 1943 to 30 January 1944. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER

NORBERT M. COLLINS, 01166461, First Lieutenant, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 October 1943 to 28 November 1943. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

JAMES R. GRIESE, 02056088, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, from 24 March 1944 to 27 May 1944. Entered military service from Coffeyville, Kansas.

CHARLES J. KESSMEIER, 01173328, First Lieutenant, 158th Field Artillery Battalion, from 10 November 1943 to 5 February 1944. Entered military service from Newark, Ohio.

NEIL S. McPHAIL, 01165912, First Lieutenant, Service Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, from 9 December 1943 to 16 February 1944. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

ROBERT G. SILVA, 19115956, Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 171st Field Artillery Battalion, from 22 November 1943 to 17 February 1944. Entered military service from Ogden, Utah.

SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER

✓ MAX B. BENJAMIN, 01182512, First Lieutenant, 132nd Field Artillery Battalion, from 9 March 1944 to 11 June 1944. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

✓ JOHNNY R. HENDLEY, 02056285, Second Lieutenant, 131st Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1944 to 7 June 1944. Entered military service from Palestine, Texas.

✓ EDWARD R. MAI, 02056284, Second Lieutenant, 36th Infantry Division Artillery, from 13 March 1944 to 12 June 1944. Entered military service from Wakeeney, Kansas.

✓ JACK MARTIN, 14061309, Staff Sergeant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 March 1944 to 31 May 1944. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

✓ ARTLE F. SVOBODA, 01180360, Second Lieutenant, 155th Field Artillery Battalion, from 7 March 1944 to 3 June 1944. Entered military service from Ellsworth, Kansas.

MERWIN F. WONDERLIN, 01683306, Second Lieutenant, 133rd Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 March 1944 to 15 June 1944. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER

HERMAN M. GRIZZLE, 01173627, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Battery, 160th Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 March 1944 to 1 May 1944. Entered military service from Marietta, Oklahoma.

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AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

CHARLES A. BRANDT, 02055857, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Company G, 180th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 23 May 1944 near Carano, Italy. On the first day of the Allied attack toward Rome from the Anzio Beachhead, Lieutenant Brandt led his rifle platoon across a heavily sown minefield and within one half hour had captured his first objective 1500 yards from the line of departure. With hand grenades and a sub-machine gun he personally killed or wounded a number of the enemy. Continuing past the enemy lines, Lieutenant Brandt led his platoon in the capture of a battery of heavy mortars which had been holding up the advance of the rest of the battalion. Although painfully wounded he continued to lead the platoon in the capture of its second objective. Not until he had assured himself that his newly won objective was secured against enemy counterattack did Lieutenant Brandt permit himself to be evacuated. The heroism and aggressive leadership displayed by Lieutenant Brandt resulted in the destruction of an entire enemy company. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

BILLY M. McMILLIAN, 2068972, Technical Sergeant, Company K, 180th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action from 26 May 1944 to 3 June 1944, near Aprilia, Italy. During the early stages of the attack toward Rome from Anzio Beachhead, advancing through artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant McMillian having exhausted his M-1 ammunition, picked up an enemy machine pistol. In the face of several enemy machine guns emplaced in a deep ditch Sergeant McMillian led his platoon in charging the enemy position. With the captured machine pistol he killed six of the enemy, wounded several more and drove off the remainder. During the later stages of the swift moving attack, Sergeant McMillian had full command of the platoon when his superiors became casualties. On 28 May 1944, while setting up a hasty defense on the right flank of his company's newly won objective, Sergeant McMillian directed his platoon in fighting off an enemy counterattack of several hours duration. On 29 May 1944, when the enemy counterattacked through an exposed left flank, Sergeant McMillian led his platoon in driving back the enemy forces, suffering serious wounds as the result of this engagement. Entered military service from McAllister, Texas.

JACK L. TREADWELL, 01703018, Second Lieutenant, 180th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action 24 May 1944, near Carano, Italy. When an

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attack by a superior enemy force threatened the security of his company position, Lieutenant Treadwell, weapons platoon leader of a rifle company, promptly brought the fire of his platoon to bear on the enemy. Small groups of enemy under cover of artillery and mortar fire had advanced to within fifty yards of the company position and were beginning to infiltrate through the lines. Lieutenant Treadwell, knowing that two of the rifle platoons were without officers, quickly reorganized them to meet each new thrust of the enemy. Working under heavy fire, Lieutenant Treadwell displayed excellent leadership as he moved from squad to squad over a 400 yard front, controlling the defense of the positions. While directing friendly artillery and mortar fire during this engagement Lieutenant Treadwell adjusted fire on enemy positions extremely close to his observation post. Closing with the enemy in fierce hand to hand combat, Lieutenant Treadwell inspired his men to a vicious and successful defense of their positions. Entered military service from Snyder, Oklahoma.

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Award of the Distinguished Service Cross	I
Award of the Air Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster)	II
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I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

1st Spec Serv Force

GEORGE T. KRASEVAC, O1106884, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action near Ardena, Italy on 28 June 1944. Lieutenant Krasevac led his company across 300 yards of open cultivated land into an enemy well prepared strong point composed of three heavy machine guns, two 20mm flakwagons and approximately sixty riflemen in well prepared positions. The enemy opened up with full fire power into the advancing company. Lieutenant Krasevac was the first member of his company to be wounded. He was staggered by the impact of a bullet but grimly kept at the front of his men, knowing that if they were pinned down, the company would be annihilated without accomplishing its important mission. Shouting encouragement to his men, he continued on in spite of the fact that he was repeatedly struck by enemy bullets. As he approached within a few yards of the enemy strong point he was struck for the sixth time, the bullet seriously wounded him in the leg, bringing him down to the ground. In spite of the fact that he suffered severe wounds in the arms, legs and feet he refused first aid from his men but ordered them on into the enemy positions. Amazed by the courage and stamina displayed by their company commander the company rushed past him, overrunning the enemy positions, wounding, killing, or capturing all of the enemy who remained. The inspiring personal example set by Lieutenant Krasevac while leading this assault so inspired his men and officers that they were instilled with an aggressive spirit which insured the success of the attack against great odds. Entered military service from Reno, Nevada.

II -- AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL (SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER)

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded the following individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights:

9th FA Bn

HUBERT A. BOONE, O1180429, First Lieutenant, 9th Field Artillery Battalion, from 26 March 1944 to 2 June 1944. Entered military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

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9th FA Bn
JAMES F. BROWN, 19011303, Staff Sergeant, 9th Field Artillery Battalion, from 21 February 1944 to 22 April 1944. Entered military service from Montpelier, Idaho.

III- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander, to the following named individuals:

1st Spec Serv Force

DONALD W. GOINGS, 35030527, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action in Rome, Italy on the night of 4 June 1944. Approaching its objective, the Ponte Cavour, his platoon was suddenly subjected to intense and accurate fire from three enemy machine guns, causing it to disperse among the nearby buildings. From his covered position, Sergeant Goings observed two wounded comrades lying in the fire swept street. Unmindful of the hazards of his undertaking, he twice dashed through the intense fire to carry the wounded to the shelter of a doorway. Sergeant Goings' heroic act at considerable risk to his own life unquestionably saved the lives of two soldiers. Entered military service from Springfield, Ohio.

1st Spec Serv Force

JAMES IAFELICE, 35013796, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action at San Nicoli, Italy on the night of 31 May 1944. Sergeant Iafelice, commanding an eight man section in a flanking movement, was to clear and occupy buildings on the hill feature of San Nicoli. Upon approaching the buildings intense machine gun and mortar fire were encountered and three of Sergeant Iafelice's men were wounded. Realizing the urgency of the situation, Sergeant Iafelice proceeded alone to the nearest building and with his Thompson sub-machine gun killed several of the enemy inside. Calling to his automatic weapon crew to take positions in this building, he proceeded to adjacent buildings and cleared those of the enemy, killing and wounding several more. As a result of his courageous action, Sergeant Iafelice's section successfully accomplished its mission, enabling the platoon to capture this commanding terrain feature, beat off a strong counterattack and hold the hill for five hours until the remainder of the regiment by-passed the hill in an attack the following morning. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

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* DAN W. MANNING, 0307848, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action near Anzio, Italy on the morning of 18 March 1944. Enemy shell fire struck several vehicles operating over the beach-head, starting fires and killing and wounding a number of men and threatened to interrupt the vital unloading operations then underway. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant Colonel Manning at once proceeded to the spot of the greatest disorder, personally assisted in the evacuation of the casualties, directed the resumption of operations over substitute routes, despite the continued heavy shelling. By his coolness under fire, Lieutenant Colonel Manning set an example that inspired his men to continue operations with but a momentary halt. Entered military service from Manhattan, Illinois.

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

1st Spec Serv Force
WILLIAM L. COLE, 14115921, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in action near Ardena, Italy on the morning of 1 June 1944. Entered military service from Durham, North Carolina.

1st Spec Serv Force
BUSTER J. Y. HOBBS, 18016755, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army for meritorious conduct in action near Mussolini Canal, Anzio, Italy on the night of 9 April 1944. Entered military service from Santa Fe, New Mexico.

1st Spec Serv Force
OGLE E. HOBSON, 39842332, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action near Litteria, Italy on the night of 15 April 1944. Entered military service from Alameda, California.

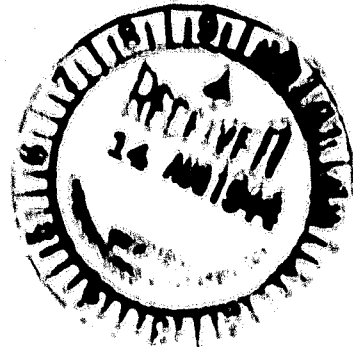
1st Spec Serv Force
JAMES H. REISINGER, 33149235, Technician Fourth Grade (then Private), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in action near Ardena, Italy, on the afternoon of 31 May 1944.

By command of Major General PATCH:

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Award of the Distinguished Service Cross I
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I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

15th Inf

KENNETH B. FLOTO, 01305288, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. On 29 February 1944, southeast of Cisterna Di Littoria, Italy, Lieutenant Floto under heavy tank fire, directed friendly artillery fire against five enemy tanks and two enemy self-propelled guns which were attempting to drive a wedge between the First and Second Battalions of the **** Infantry. Although wounded severely when several shells burst in the same room with him, covering him with debris, and despite being wounded again in the back and shoulder, Lieutenant Floto determinedly continued to direct and adjust friendly artillery fire. At one point he personally repaired broken communication wire, and skillfully and effectively adjusted artillery fire that he knocked out one enemy tank and one self-propelled gun and forced the remainder to withdraw. His courage and determination prevented the enemy from driving a salient between two battalions of his regiment. Entered military service from Mill Valley, California.

15th Inf

ROBERT F. STOODLEY, 31317504, Private First Class, Infantry, Company F, **** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. On 2 May 1944 at 1300 hours, near Cisterna Di Littoria, Italy, Private First Class Stoodley volunteered to lead his squad 500 yards across an open wheat field in an effort to capture three enemy soldiers who had been observed entering a house. Although his company had been halted by tank and machine gun fire in an attempt to cross the same field, Private First Class Stoodley nevertheless placed himself 20 yards ahead of his men and led them across the field. Crawling to the rear of the house, he ordered two men to follow him, shot the lock off the door and rushed into the house, emerging shortly thereafter with eight prisoners. As he led his men back to the company, Private First Class Stoodley had just destroyed an enemy rifleman when four enemy machine guns opened up on him. As soon as his squad had hit the ground, Private First Class Stoodley charged a machine gun, only 25 yards away completely ignoring the furious chain of automatic fire which clipped the wheat about his legs as the gunners fired continuously in an effort to stop his one-man assault. Firing

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his sub-machine gun from the hip, Private First Class Stoodley destroyed the gunner and his assistant, leaped into the enemy emplacement and dragged out an enemy soldier by the collar. Although the three remaining machine guns shifted their fire to him, Private First Class Stoodley directed the assault upon two of these weapons, effecting their destruction. He then joined his men in an attack on the fourth machine gun, destroying its two-man crew. Six enemy soldiers were destroyed and ten captured in this action. Through his voluntary efforts Private First Class Stoodley was responsible for the total destruction of an enemy strongpoint, the destruction of six enemy soldiers and the capture of eighteen. Entered military service from Skowhegan, Maine.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

THOMAS C. ARMSTRONG, 01045999, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters **** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, for heroic achievement in the vicinity of Naples, Italy during the period 1 November 1943 to 26 November 1943. Entered military service from Newport, Arkansas.

JAMES M. CRAIG, 6709282, Private First Class, Company D, ****, Chemical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in the vicinity of Monturno, Italy during the period 7 March 1944 to 29 March 1944. Entered military service from Irvington, New Jersey.

PAUL KORCUN, 35050257, Staff Sergeant, Company B, **** Chemical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action in the vicinity of Fondi, Italy on 24 May 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

SAM M. MINSHEW, 34240261, Private First Class, Company B, **** Chemical Battalion, for heroic achievement in action in the vicinity of Fondi, Italy on 24 May 1944. Entered military service from Auburndale, Florida.

FRANCIS L. UZDILLA, 36501777, Sergeant, Company D, **** Chemical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations in the vicinity of Monturno, Italy during the period 7 March 1944 to 29 March 1944. Entered military service from Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

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CHARLES J. WILEY, 13152885, Sergeant, (then Corporal),
Headquarters Battery, **** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion
for heroic achievement in connection with enemy air raids on
installations in the vicinity of Naples, Italy during the period
1 November 1943 to 26 November 1943. Entered military service from
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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I -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

First Special Service Force

WILLIAM H. HERRITT, JR., O-1291853, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action. Near Arona, Italy on the morning of 29 May 1944 after seven days and nights of fierce and continuous combat, Lieutenant Herritt assumed command of his company. In order to secure an enemy-held position which obstructed the advance of his regiment, he disposed half of his company to form a base of fire and led the remainder in an assault against the strongpoint which was heavily defended by approximately forty enemy armed with mortars, rifles and twelve light machine guns. Across two hundred yards of terrain devoid of cover and concealment and up an exposed slope, Lieutenant Herritt led his group through the intense and accurate fire directly into the enemy position. With complete disregard for almost certain death, he ran up the fire-swept slope, shouting encouragement to his men and firing his Thompson sub-machine gun with such deadly effect that he personally accounted for ten of the enemy. So inspired were his men by the fearless determination of their leader that they quickly overran all opposition, destroying or capturing more than thirty of the enemy and taking possession of much valuable equipment. Lieutenant Herritt's courageous and inspiring leadership was responsible for removing a serious threat to the successful advance of his regiment. Entered military service from West Barrington, Rhode Island.

First Special Service Force

SANTO MORELLI, 20261463, Private, Infantry, Army of the United States, for gallantry in action. In Reno, Italy on the evening of 4 June 1944 when the jeep in which he was riding was stopped at a street intersection by the rejoicing civilians, it was fired on by an enemy armored vehicle. On his own initiative, Private Morelli, in the face of machine gun and 20 mm cannon fire, moved up the fire swept street to reach a wall 15 yards from the vehicle. Jumping atop the wall, he fired his Thompson sub-machine gun into the open turret of the vehicle and accounted for four of its occupants. As he left the scene he

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captured three unarmed enemy soldiers and when the angry crowd threatened harm to them he dispersed the crowd by firing his weapon into the air. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

II -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS OF THE SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

First Special Service Force

GEORGE E. NELSON, 16076899, Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States, for gallantry in action. Near Arzena, Italy on the morning of 29 May 1944 an attack by his company against an enemy-held hill position was halted by intense and accurate small arms cross fire. Sergeant Nelson and his assistant gunner unhesitatingly charged up the exposed, fire-swept slope directly at the enemy position, firing their rocket launcher as they advanced. After firing about fifteen rounds with devastating effect, Sergeant Nelson fell mortally wounded. The volume of fire delivered by Sergeant Nelson so completely disorganized the defenses of the enemy that the attacking company was able to completely overrun the position and seize its objective with very light losses. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Next of kin: Mrs. Ethel R. Martin (mother) 1711 Emerson Ave, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

III -- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September, 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star previously awarded, is awarded to the following named individual:

540th Engineer Regiment

DANIEL J. HANNING, O-307848, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action near Anzio, Italy on the morning of 18 March 1944. Enemy shell fire struck several vehicles operating over the beachhead, starting fires and killing and wounding a number of men and threatened to interrupt the vital unloading operations then underway. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant Colonel Hanning at once proceeded to the spot of the greatest disorder, personally assisted in the evacuation of the casualties, directed the resumption of operations over substitute routes, despite the continued heavy shelling. By his coolness under fire, Lieutenant Colonel Hanning set an example that inspired his men to continue operations with but a momentary halt. Entered military service from Manhattan, Illinois.

IV -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

First Special Service Force

HOWARD E. DOBBS, 37509332, Private, Infantry, *** Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in Italy on 31 May 1944. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

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Second Field Artillery Observation Battalion

RUSSELL F. GERMAN, 12038879, Corporal, *** Field Artillery Obsn. Bn. for meritorious service in Italy from 26 November 1943 to 26 March 1944. Entered military service from Phoenix, New York.

V -- AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

895th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion

ROBERT J. SCHNEIDER, 36251290, Private, Battery B, *** AAA Automatic Weapons Battalion. For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 16 July 1944, at Paestum, Italy. Disregarding his own safety Private Schneider swam approximately 100 yards through a rough sea to rescue a fellow soldier in danger of drowning. After skillfully applying the tactics of first aid, he succeeded in bringing the drowning man to safety. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

VI -- AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

Ninth Field Artillery Battalion

PAUL A. SCORDINO, O-1170968, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 21 February 1944 to 8 May 1944. Entered military service from White Plains, New York.

VII -- AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

Sixth Field Artillery Group

HOWARD W. TREADWAY, O-2056278, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Group, from 23 April 1944 to 8 July 1944. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

VIII - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR - - RESCISSION OF AWARD

045. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 55, this headquarters, 28 July 1944, as pertains to Award of the Silver Star to Lieutenant Colonel DAN W. MANNING, O-307848, Company Engineer, United States Army is rescinded (see sec. III).

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- Award of the Silver Star I
- Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star II
- Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star III

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

First Special Service Forces -

JOHN P. ADAMS, 35 729 722, Private, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action during the night of 29 - 30 May 1944 near Artena, Italy. As part of the preparation to defend against night counter-attack a strongly defended hill gained at great cost, Private Adams occupied an outpost on the exposed forward slope. At regular intervals during the night the enemy layed heavy artillery and mortar fire on the forward slope in preparation for infantry counter-attacks immediately following each barrage. Private Adams clung to his position during the entire night, refusing to withdraw when all other outposts were forced back by the intense barrages and the fierceness of the enemy attacks. From a fox-hole Private Adams, with a Browning automatic rifle, delivered sustained and effective fire to cover the withdrawal of adjacent outposts. At one point he held his fire until the attacking enemy were only a few feet away and then succeeded in destroying four and wounding one. By fearless determination to hold a post in the face of great danger, Private Adams was in a great measure responsible for his company's successful defense of its hard-won position. Entered military service from Dixon, Kentucky.

36th Field Artillery Bn. -

WARREN R. BARRETT, 7 013 501, Private, Field Artillery, 36th Field Artillery Battalion. For gallantry in action on 27 May 1944, at Artena, Italy. Private Barrett, driver for an observation post detail, volunteered to use his vehicle for evacuating wounded infantrymen to an aid station over a road being heavily shelled by enemy artillery fire and harassed by small arms fire. He succeeded in evacuating sixteen wounded men. Private Barrett was slightly wounded and another soldier killed while carrying a wounded man on a stretcher. Private Barrett's courageous action enabled wounded men to get much needed medical aid and undoubtedly saved the lives of several soldiers. Entered military service from Sweetwater, Texas.

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36th Engineer Combat Regiment

JOHN M. BURCH, 35 329 353, Private First Class, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, *** Engineer Regiment, for gallantry in action from 31 May 1944 to 2 June 1944 southeast of Velletri, Italy. On 31 May 1944, Company H attacked a firmly entrenched enemy. During the ensuing action numerous men were wounded. Private First Class Burch, though exposed, and under constant and intense enemy small arms fire, went forward to within seventy-five yards of the enemy position to administer aid and direct the evacuation of the wounded. Private First Class Burch succeeded in evacuating all the wounded from the field of battle. On 1 June 1944, this situation was repeated in a similar manner. Though enemy fire was again intense, Private First Class Burch remained in his volunteered forward position until all the wounded had been evacuated. Private First Class Burch's remarkable courage and coolness in the execution of his duties and in the face of great odds was an inspiration to the men of his company in maintaining pressure on the enemy. This action undoubtedly saved the lives of several men. Entered military service from Toledo, Ohio.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

DONALD G. DUMMERMUTH, 37 475 315, Private, Field Artillery, Battery C, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Priverno, Italy. This Unit moved into a firing position under direct enemy observation, and the Battery had no sooner gotten into position when the enemy covered the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man, wounding one officer, and nine other enlisted men. Private Dummermuth with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while the area continued to receive heavy, accurate enemy artillery and mortar fire and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. Private Dummermuth's heroic action and exemplary courage in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded, fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

JACK P. HOLT, 01 135 877, Captain, Field Artillery, Battery C, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Priverno, Italy. This Battery moved into a firing position under direct enemy observation, and had no sooner gotten into position than the enemy covered the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man and wounding one officer and nine other enlisted men. Captain Holt with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while the area continued to receive heavy, accurate, enemy artillery and mortar fire and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. The heroic action displayed by Captain Holt in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

DAVID W. LANDAU, 32 275 420, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on the night of 17 February 1944 near Santa Lucia, Italy. While this battery was being subjected to intense counter battery artillery fire which killed two enlisted men and wounded one, Sergeant Landau assisted in extinguishing a fire in an ammunition stack, then aided in evacuating the wounded and initiated a search for a missing man. The entire area was continuously harassed by medium artillery fire. In disregarding personal safety, Sergeant Landau displayed great courage in this action which prevented loss of lives. Entered military service from Edgewater, New Jersey.

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2nd Field Artillery Bn.

PAUL S. MADDOX, 13 Oh3 664, Sergeant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for gallantry in action, from 28 November 1943 to 22 January 1944, near Mignano and San Vittore, Italy. Sergeant Maddox with disregard for his own safety and endeavoring to spare his men, habitually exposed himself to enemy artillery fire in his efforts to maintain wire communications of the sound ranging platoon of his organization. His dogged bravery under enemy fire and devotion far beyond the common line of duty definitely added to effective action against the enemy. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

36th Engineer Combat Regiment

THOMAS A. PATTERSON, O1 101 611, First Lieutenant, Company "G", *** Engineer Regiment (Combat), for gallantry in action on the evening of 31 May 1944 in the attack on Vollestri, Italy. Lieutenant Patterson's platoon was in direct support of an attacking infantry company which was forced to withdraw when it met greatly superior enemy forces. Under his direction, the platoon covered the successful withdrawal of the infantry ahead. Lieutenant Patterson, despite these injuries, remained with his platoon all that night and participated in the successful attack the following day. Incited to supreme effort by Lieutenant Patterson's leadership, devotion to duty, and sacrifice, his men evacuated the wounded, held their defensive positions that night, attacked successfully the following day and reached their objective, completing their mission. Entered military service from Jackson, Mississippi.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

ARTHUR H. QUIROZ, 36 263 742, Sergeant, Field Artillery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Priverno, Italy. This unit moved into a firing position under direct enemy observation. The battery had no sooner gotten into position than the enemy covered the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man and wounding one officer and nine enlisted men. Sergeant Quiroz, with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while the area continued to receive heavy, accurate enemy artillery and mortar fire and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. The heroic action displayed by Sergeant Quiroz in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

MORACE J. ROBBINS, 6 959 725, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery C, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Priverno, Italy. This Battery moved into a firing position under direct enemy observation. The Battery had no sooner moved when the enemy covered the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man and wounding one officer and nine other enlisted men. Corporal Robbins, with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while the area continued to receive heavy, accurate, enemy artillery and mortar fire and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. The heroic action displayed by Corporal Robbins in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

JAMES W. VALL, 39 176 215, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Priverno, Italy. No sooner had this battery moved into firing position under

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direct enemy observation when the enemy began covering the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man, wounding one officer, and nine other enlisted men. Technician Fourth Grade Vail with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while the area continued to receive heavy, accurate, enemy artillery and mortar fire, and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. The heroic action displayed by Technician Fourth Grade Vail in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded soldiers. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

93rd Armored Field Artillery Bn.

ROY YATES, 14 065 994, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery B, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 24 March 1944 near Santa Lucia, Italy. During an enemy shelling of the battery position of which Sergeant Yates was a member, one of the men of his section was severely wounded in the leg. Sergeant Yates was at the time a distance of four hundred yards from the wounded man. Upon seeing fire landing close to his gun position he left his position of comparative safety and ran across two hundred yards of open field being subjected to heavy shelling. As he approached the wounded man an ammunition dump of an adjacent artillery battery located only one hundred and fifty yards from his gun position began to explode throwing shell fragments into and around his position. Fully aware of his own peril, Sergeant Yates continued to advance to the assistance of the wounded man, and helped to carry him out of the area. Sergeant Yates' courage and coolness under trying circumstances to save the life of a wounded man was an inspiration to the men around him. Entered military service from Sumiton, Alabama.

II -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

First Special Service Forces

RICHARD B. WEIDE, 39 300 272, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action near Anzio, Italy on the morning of 23 May 1944. When his company's advance against fierce enemy resistance was slowed down by intense and accurate fire from an enemy sniper position, Sergeant Weide quickly recognized the possible, dire results. Although the area was swept by intense, enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire, Sergeant Weide leaped to his feet and over perfectly flat terrain rushed through this withering fire directly at the sniper position, firing his Thompson sub-machine gun, killing each of the enemy riflemen before falling dead from his own wounds. His fearless determination and courage so inspired his comrades that they fiercely pressed their attack and quickly overran the enemy positions. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon. Next of kin: Mrs. Carrie Weide (mother), Route 1, Box 64, Rogue River, Oregon.

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III -- AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star, is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

9th Armored Field Artillery Bn.

HAROLD R. GAYTON, OI 170 742, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery C, 48th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 26 May 1944 in the vicinity of Priverno, Italy. Battery C moved into a firing position under direct enemy observation in the vicinity of Priverno, Italy. The battery had no sooner gotten into position when the enemy covered the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man and wounding one officer and nine other enlisted men. First Lieutenant Gayton with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while the area continued to receive heavy, accurate, enemy artillery and mortar fire and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. The heroic action displayed by First Lieutenant Gayton in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

By command of Major General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

W. G. Campbell
W. G. CAMPBELL, Jr.
Colonel, AGED,
Adjutant General.

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- Award of the Distinguished Service Cross I
- Award of the Soldier's Medal II
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- Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal IV
- Award of the Bronze Star V

I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

JOHN W. BEDSOLE, O1 171 455, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 26 May 1944 near Priverno, Italy. This unit moved into a firing position under direct enemy observation. The battery no sooner got into position when the enemy began to cover the entire area with an intense artillery barrage, killing one enlisted man, and wounding one officer, and nine other enlisted men. First Lieutenant Bedsole with utter disregard for his own safety, voluntarily came forward while this enemy artillery and mortar fire assault continued, and assisted in moving the wounded to the Battalion Aid Station. The heroic action displayed by First Lieutenant Bedsole in this incident undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his wounded fellow soldiers. Entered military service from Graceville, Florida.

CHARLES W. GARNHAM, O1 306 263, First Lieutenant, Infantry, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. On 13 June 1944 near Magliano, Italy, Company "F" was assigned the mission of entering and capturing the City of Magliano. This task was rendered doubly hazardous by the firmly entrenched, strongly fortified enemy defenses and by the forty-foot wall which surrounded the town. Lieutenant Garnham was instructed to lead his platoon in forcing an entry into the town and softening the hostile positions for the remainder of the company. Leading his platoon toward the South gate of the city, he discovered a machine gun and anti-tank gun protecting the entrance, he skillfully maneuvered his platoon to the East wall. After personally reconnoitering the area and finding that this approach was also covered by two enemy machine guns, he swiftly led his platoon to the North wall which had no entrance and had been left unguarded. Using a ladder he preceded his men over the wall onto the roof of a building, moving across adjoining roof tops, crouching low and continuing on until he reached a position directly over two hostile machine guns. Catching the enemy completely unaware, he hurled a hand grenade into the emplacement, destroying the guns and scattering those members of the crew who had not been wounded. As three enemy soldiers charged forward with a machine gun to stop the attack, he whirled on them and emptied his Carbine into their midst, destroy-

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two and wounding the other. During the furious gun fight that followed he continued to effectively fire his carbine and throw hand grenades for several hours. On one occasion he single-handedly captured seven enemy soldiers in a room of a building. By his courageous deeds Lieutenant Garnham's platoon successfully accomplished more than its mission, enabling the company to take the city with little difficulty. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

RUSSELL F. ROACHE, O1 011 855, First Lieutenant, *** Tank Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 12 June 1944 near Capalbo, Italy. Lieutenant Roach, company maintenance officer, came forward in a vehicle from his battalion area to locate his company, but due to rolling terrain and the position of his company on the forward slope of a hill, he unknowingly by-passed it and proceeded north. Not realizing his danger, he drove into the yard of a farmhouse, where he was suddenly confronted by forty of the enemy. These men, crews of eight German Mark III tanks, were assembled in a sharp ravine preparing their supper, their tanks dispersed nearby. Armed only with a submachine gun, Lieutenant Roach leaped from his vehicle and ordered the enemy to surrender simultaneously sending his driver to return for help. His dashing boldness cowed the enemy. They surrendered and were placed in a building. One of the enemy, not in the original group, approached unseen and fired a burst from his machine pistol into Lieutenant Roach. Despite excruciating wounds in the stomach, legs and right arm, Lieutenant Roach withdrew to a low wall, and accounted for his assailant. The imprisoned enemy made a break for escape to their tanks, but with accurate fire, in spite of his ebbing strength, he destroyed nine of the enemy. Minutes later two tank destroyers arrived on the scene, and though his condition was grave, Lieutenant Roach was able to direct them in pursuit of the enemy. In this attack three enemy tanks were knocked out and the others dispersed. His determined fortitude in the face of an overwhelming force cost the enemy extensive losses of equipment and men and eliminated a probable enemy armored counterattack. Entered military service from Quincy, Illinois.

HILTON H. WOGAN, O1 176 856, First Lieutenant, then Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion for extraordinary heroism in action on 30 January 1944 near San Angelo in Teodice, Italy. As volunteer forward observer for an infantry company, Lieutenant Wogan advanced along the east bank of the Rapido River in preparation for an assault on the hostile shore. He helped launch his boat, the fourth in the first assault wave, and moved toward the opposite bank until a heavy enemy artillery barrage upset the boat and destroyed his radio. Aware of the necessity for another radio, he returned to the east bank of the river and proceeded through an uncleared mine field toward the Battalion command post. Dazed and partially blinded from a detonating personnel mine, Lieutenant Wogan pressed forward until he was wounded by a hurtling shell fragment. Still undaunted, he continued to move forward through a heavy artillery barrage. Lieutenant Wogan obtained another radio and returned to his post where he directed accurate, effective fire against the enemy. This action allowed our forces to withdraw from an untenable position with a minimum of losses. Entered military service from Fort Scott, Kansas.

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

~~600th AA Army Bn.~~

EDWIN CARTWRIGHT, JR., 32 368 253, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 20 June 1944 at Aghione, Corsica. When a P-47 airplane crashed and burst into flames in the vicinity of his gun position, Private First Class Cartwright and his companion disregarding the flames and the possibility of explosion ran to the aid of the pilot who was trapped in the cockpit, managed to open the canopy over the cockpit and extricated the pilot from his perilous position. The prompt action of Private First Class Cartwright was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of the pilot. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

~~600th AA Army Bn.~~

JACK T. FISHER, 13 151 980, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 20 June 1944 at Aghione, Corsica. When a P-47 airplane crashed and burst into flames in the vicinity of his gun position, Private Fisher, and his companion, disregarding the flames and the possibility of explosion ran to the aid of the pilot who was trapped in the cockpit, managed to open the canopy over the cockpit and extricated the pilot from his perilous position. The prompt action of Private Fisher was undoubtedly responsible for saving the life of the pilot. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

~~2876th Civil Affairs Regt. (Conv)~~

ALEXANDER ROSEZAK, 32 282 184, Private, Headquarters, *** Civil Affairs Regiment (Ovhd), for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 12 July 1944, at Courbet-Marine, Algeria. Private Rosezak, voluntarily and at great personal risk, plunged into a heavy surf and swam out with a line to three officers clinging to a life preserver, making it possible for the officers to be brought through strong off-shore currents in safety to the shore. Private Rosezak demonstrated prompt and heroic action in helping to rescue these men from a dangerous situation. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

III - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

~~600th Avn. Bn. Bn.~~

ROBERT M. COURTNEY, 01 165 832, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion. From 14 June 1944 to 4 July 1944. Entered military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

~~600th Avn. Bn. Bn.~~

CHARLES W. HANLEY, 01 165 869, First Lieutenant, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion. From 11 November 1943 to 5 July 1944. Entered military service from Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania.

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~~80th Field Art. Bn.~~

WILLIAM R. RICHARDS, O 524 159, Second Lieutenant, Headquarters, ***
Field Artillery Battalion. From 8 March 1944 to 26 May 1944. Entered military
service from Columbus, Ohio.

~~80th Field Art. Bn.~~

WILLIAM R. SCHREMP, O1 173 067, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, ***
Field Artillery Battalion. From 29 March 1944 to 26 April 1944. Entered
military service from Utica, New York.

~~80th Field Art. Bn.~~

RALPH L. STOTTS, O1 174 157, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field
Artillery Battalion. From 13 February 1944 to 28 May 1944. Entered military
service from Laurel, Mississippi.

IV -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of
the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September
1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for meritorious
achievement while participating in aerial flight, is awarded by the Army Com-
mander to the following named individuals:

AWARD OF THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH, SIXTH AND SEVENTH OAK LEAF
CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

~~60th Armd. FA Bn.~~

ROBERT L. HOFFMAN, O1 176 669, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, ***
Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion. From 16 February
1944 to 30 May 1944. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

AWARD OF THE SIXTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

~~87th Field Art. Bn.~~

MURVIN J. WEINBERG, O1 171 163, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, ***
Field Artillery Battalion. From 15 May 1944 to 4 June 1944. Entered military
service from Kansas City, Missouri.

AWARD OF THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH AND FIFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR
MEDAL

~~80th Armd. FA Bn.~~

WILLIAM H. HOGAN, O 452 551, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, ***
Infantry Division Artillery. From 8 October 1943 to 2 June 1944. Entered
military service from Arp, Texas.

AWARD OF THE THIRD AND FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

~~80th Field Art. Bn.~~

JAMES G. FRY, O1 683 320, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion.
From 8 April 1944 to 9 June 1944. Entered military service from Frederick,
Oklahoma.

AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

~~80th Field Art. Bn.~~

LEONARD R. DENNIS, 18 129 081, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, *** Field
Artillery Battalion. From 2 May 1944 to 10 June 1944. Entered military ser-
vice from Lawton, Oklahoma.

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AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

93rd Arty FA Bn.

ROBERT E. MILLER, O1 683 316, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Armored Artillery Battalion. From 5 June 1944 to 2 July 1944. Entered military service from Gibson City, Illinois.

AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

100th Field Art. Bn.

FLOYD G. CRAFT, O1 179 046, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion. From 4 November 1943 to 5 December 1943. Entered military service from Muskogee, Oklahoma.

35th Field Art. Bn.

WILLIAM R. SCHWAB, O1 173 067, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion. From 27 April 1944 to 13 May 1944. Entered military service from Utica, New York.

V — **AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL**. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-75, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

2nd FA Obsv. Bn.

JAMES W. DONHAM, 6 664 843, Sergeant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service on 27 December 1943 near Mignano, Italy. Entered military service from Cori, Indiana.

540th Engineer Regt.

GRADY E. DUKE, 34 351 636, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Regiment, for meritorious service in performance of duty from 10 October 1943 to 19 October 1943 near Bagnoli, Italy. Entered military service from Freeport, Maine.

1st Arty Sig. Bn.

GEORGE HANDS, O1 640 522, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, Company C, *** Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service from 10 July 1943 to 14 July 1943 near Bagnoli, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

2nd FA Obsv. Bn.

BERNARD R. HARVEY, 37 113 948, Staff Sergeant, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service in Italy from 24 November 1943 to 2 December 1943. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

540th Engineer Regt.

THOMAS G. HUDSON, O1 101 503, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Regiment, for meritorious service in performance of duty from 10 October 1943 to 19 October 1943 near Bagnoli, Italy. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

540th Engineer Regt.

ROBERT B. IRVIN, O1 101 509, Captain, (then First Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Regiment, for meritorious service in Italy from 10 October 1943 to 19 October 1943. Entered military service from Big Run, Iowa.

2nd FA Obsv. Bn.

CLARENCE L. KELLEY, 16 007 065, Sergeant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service in Italy from 24 November 1943 to 2 April 1944. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

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EDWARD J. KEONIGSTEIN, 35 475 146, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Regiment, for heroic achievement during the period 10 October 1943 to 19 October 1943. Entered military service from New Castle, Kentucky.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

FRANK E. KISER, 37 204 896, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service in Italy from 24 November 1943 to 2 April 1944. Entered military service from Hutchinson, Kansas.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

ROBERT L. PROCTOR, 19 041 946, Staff Sergeant, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service in Italy from 24 November 1943 to 2 April 1944. Entered military service from Marvel, Texas.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

LEIF G. REINERTSEN, 01 168 880, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in performance of duty on 20 January 1944 near Santa Lucia, Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

HOWARD K. SEIBELS, 34 707 209, Private First Class, Chemical Warfare Service, *** Chemical Battalion, for heroic achievement in performance of duty on 28 May 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

JOHN B. SNODDY, 18 032 702, Sergeant, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service from 24 November 1943 to 2 April 1944 near Venafro, Italy. Entered military service from Long Beach, California.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

CHARLES E. SNYDER, 15 101 822, Sergeant (then Corporal), Field Artillery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in performance of duty on 24 March 1944 near Santa Lucia, Italy. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

ROBERT E. STRASSER, 35 153 113, Master Sergeant, Signal Corps, Company C, *** Armored Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in performance of duty from 10 July 1943 to 14 July 1944 in Sicily and Italy. Entered military service from Winamac, Indiana.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

EMERSON R. WALTERS, 33 295 029, Technician Fifth Grade, Chemical Warfare Service, Company C, *** Chemical Battalion for heroic achievement in action on 28 May 1944 near Aprilia, Italy. Entered military service from New Castle, Pennsylvania.

1st Lt. Signal Co.

RALPH C. WATKINS, 6 292 131, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery B, *** Field Observation Battalion for heroic achievement from 26 November 1943 to 26 March 1944 in Italy. Entered military service from Brokena, Oklahoma.

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CURTIS M. YOUNG, 39 826 614, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Regiment, for heroic achievement in Italy during the period 10 October 1943 to 19 October 1943. Entered military service from Spanish Fork, Utah.

By command of Major General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:



W. G. CALDWELL,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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1 -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

SALVADOR J. LARA, 39 529 348, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company L, * Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action on 27 and 28 May 1944, near Aprilia, Italy. During an attack on strongly fortified enemy positions, Staff Sergeant Lara led his rifle squad aggressively in neutralizing one enemy strongpoint after another and in destroying large numbers of the enemy. Having taken his initial objective, Staff Sergeant Lara observed that the unit on his right was meeting stiff resistance from a large enemy force, well entrenched in a deep ditch. Taking three men with him, he attacked a wide section of the enemy position, accounting for four of the enemy, forcing fifteen others to surrender, and causing two enemy mortar crews to abandon their weapons. His fearless and efficient performance enabled his own unit, as well as the unit on his right, to continue to their objective. When his company resumed the attack the following morning, Staff Sergeant Lara sustained a severe leg wound, but did not stop to receive first aid. His company suffered heavy casualties as a result of withering machine gun fire coming from an enemy strongpoint on the right flank. Requesting permission to take a Browning Automatic Rifle and attempt to destroy the enemy machine guns, Staff Sergeant Lara crawled alone toward the nearest machine gun. Despite his painful wound and the extreme danger of the task, he rose and unhesitatingly charged the nest, destroying the crew members. Another machine gun opened fire on him, but he quickly neutralized this weapon with accurate fire from his BAR and destroyed three more of the enemy. His aggressive attack forced two other machine gun crews to flee their weapons. After rejoining his company, Staff Sergeant Lara continued his exemplary performance until he captured his objective. Entered military service from Riverside, California.**

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COSTANTINO V. NATOLI, 32 778 508, Private, Infantry, Company "F", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 28 May 1944 near Velletri, Italy. Private Natoli, rifleman, was advancing with his unit over gentle rolling terrain in an attack on the well fortified, savagely defended enemy positions on the higher ground near Velletri. The company suddenly became the target for accurately hurled hostile grenades and was pinned to the ground by rapid bursts of machine gun fire which raked the area. Disdainful of personal security, Private Natoli crawled to a position from which he could observe the enemy machine gun nest, then tossed hand grenades at the position, successfully destroying it. The enemy force began shelling the area with mortar fire, and Private Natoli voluntarily moved toward the source of the fire. As he approached a group of buildings, another enemy machine gun opened fire on him from one of the houses. He dropped to the ground, and although the terrain afforded little concealment and no cover, moved forward, crawling and creeping toward the gun emplacement until he reached a point which overlooked the position. He fired several accurate rounds from his grenade launcher which knocked out the gun and destroyed two of the enemy soldiers. Spotting a third machine gun ensconced in a nearby wine cellar, he advanced on the position, fired several grenades into the midst of the hostile force, then commanded the terrified soldiers to surrender. By his daring aggressiveness, he captured eighteen prisoners and enabled his squad to continue its advance toward its objective. Entered military service from Patterson, New Jersey.

MICHAEL PAULICK, 023 060, Lieutenant Colonel, then Captain, Infantry, First Battalion *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. On 30 January 1944 at 1030 hours, Captain Paulick drove his vehicle about a thousand yards through enemy artillery and mortar fire in order to reach an assault company of his battalion which had lost all but one of its officers and over half of its enlisted personnel in an attack on enemy positions near Cisterna di Littoria, Italy. Exposing himself to intense machine gun fire which barely missed him, Captain Paulick located all the surviving men, reorganized them and prepared to press the attack. Finding their ammunition supply critically low, Captain Paulick drove approximately one mile under heavy artillery and mortar fire in order to replenish these vital supplies. Although shells exploded within fifteen yards of him, perforating his vehicle, Captain Paulick nevertheless returned to the company within 30 minutes, bringing ammunition which he immediately distributed. When heavy artillery, tank, mortar and machine gun fire further decimated the company, halting its attack for the second time, Captain Paulick placed himself twenty yards in front of his men and led them in an assault through the hail of fire to its objective. Entered military service from Cooverdale, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

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* WILLIAM P. EDWARDS, 36 478 562, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", *** Infantry Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action on 26 May 1944, near Anzio, Italy. During an attack on fortified enemy positions, the right flank

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of Company F was subjected to heavy mortar and machine gun fire inflicting several casualties in the platoon of which Sergeant Edwards was a squad leader. Without orders from his superiors Sergeant Edwards ran through the impact area and climbed to the top of a friendly tank, directing its movements so that it could place the gun turret over a steep embankment. From his exposed position on top of the tank, and under withering enemy small arms fire, he directed friendly fire down the draw concealing the enemy mortars and machine guns. Tank fire silenced the enemy guns, thereby allowing the company to continue the attack. Sergeant Edwards' exceptional heroism and devotion to duty saved many of his comrades' lives and aided materially in the continuous advance on enemy positions. Sergeant Edwards was killed in action ~~the following day~~ by deliberately exposing himself; drawing enemy machine gun and small arms fire, so that his comrades could advance on enemy positions. Next of Kin: Mr George Edwards (Father), Box 499, Leaville, Illinois.

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

GEORGES BOUVET, Lieutenant Colonel, Groupe de Commandos, French Army, for gallantry in action. Lieutenant Colonel Bouvet landed with the assault wave of the French Commandos in the vicinity of Cape Negro at H-7 hours on 15 August 1944 and through his outstanding leadership and gallantry succeeded in effectively carrying out his assigned mission of protecting the west flank of the invasion forces. Lieutenant Colonel Bouvet personally directed his unit from the most advanced position, heedless of personal danger, in the repulse of an enemy counter attack, with but one aim - that of doing everything possible to destroy the enemy forces in the area and preventing their eastward movement. By his outstanding courage Lieutenant Colonel Bouvet set an inspiring example to his men and made possible the successful accomplishment of a highly important phase in the landing operations of the Seventh Army.

JESSE L. COFFMAN, O1 178 104, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery A, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion for gallantry in action on 26 May 1944 near Sezze, Italy. When his battery was subjected to heavy artillery fire, Lieutenant Coffman took charge of the withdrawal, and although wounded himself, assisted in the evacuation of casualties, refusing medical attention until he had arrived at the alternate position and was sure that everyone had been withdrawn. Due to Lieutenant Coffman's gallant action and leadership, an orderly withdrawal of vehicles and personnel was effected. Entered military service from Streator, Illinois.

ROLAND C. JOHNSTON, 3d 474 032, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Fourth Company, First Regiment, *** Special Service Force, for gallantry in action in Rome, Italy on 4 June 1944. As his company approached the heart of the city in route column, the leading elements suddenly came under intense small arms fire from a prepared strong point on both sides of a wide street. From his position far back in the column, Technician Fourth Grade Johnston observed a group of the enemy attempting to envelop the left flank of the Company.

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Leaving his position in the column, he dashed along the exposed, fire-swept street directly at the enemy group, firing his M-1 rifle as he ran, accounting for three of the enemy and causing the remainder to retreat. At this moment as he reloaded his rifle, he was wounded in the hand, the bullet knocking his rifle from his hands and destroying it. Although painfully wounded and now armed only with hand grenades, he crawled toward the enemy positions as machine gun tracer bullets searched him out from several directions. He hurled grenades into their positions until his supply was exhausted. Technician Fourth Grade Johnston's timely and courageous efforts prevented a trap that would have been costly to his company, and his fearless determination to destroy the enemy at all costs was an inspiration to all who observed his act. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

ELRY ROSS, 38 025 590, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company B, * Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 31 May 1944 in the vicinity of Rocca di Papa, Italy. Sergeant Ross led his squad on the left flank of the First Battalion in an advance around the slopes of a mountain. When the unit was delayed by enemy fire from a house, he immediately directed his squad in setting up a defensive position to support two other squads attacking the enemy held building. While he was placing his men in the most advantageous position, an enemy force launched a fierce assault, advancing over a knoll on the squad's left flank and a terrific fire fight ensued. Sergeant Ross spotted enemy machine gunners, one behind the other, advancing over the hilltop toward his squad, and he unhesitatingly crawled forward across open terrain swept by intense enemy fire to a point from which he could fire on the enemy, destroying the guns and gunners with rifle grenades. Later, while moving among his men and checking their field of fire, he observed two more machine gunners with their assistant gunners advancing around the edge of the knoll. He again crawled forward and fired on them with his grenade launcher, destroying the guns and four enemy soldiers. These daring and heroic acts were responsible for stemming the enemy attack and delaying their advance until a larger, friendly force could be moved into position. Entered military service from Uvalde, Texas.**

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

SALVATORE J. BISULCA, 32 297 314, Private First Class, * Medical Collection Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict on 5 July 1944, at Maddaloni, Italy. Attracted to the railway station by the screams of by-standers, Private First Class Bisulca, together with an officer and another enlisted man, observed an Italian boy lying unconscious on his back on the cross-bar of an electric light and wire pole, approximately forty feet above the ground, as a result of the shock of three thousand volts of current. With great presence of mind, and with complete disregard to possible bodily injury, he stationed himself directly beneath the boy. As the boy fell off the bar he was caught and his life saved by the prompt and courageous action of this enlisted man. Entered military service from New York, New York.**

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MILIO FURIUSO, 32 039 889, Private First Class, *** Medical Collecting Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict on 5 July 1944 at Maddaloni, Italy. Attracted to the railway station by the screams of by-standers, Private First Class Furiuso, together with an officer and another enlisted man, observed an Italian boy lying unconscious on his back on the cross-bar of an electric light and wire pole, approximately forty feet above the ground, as a result of the shock of three thousand volts of current. With great presence of mind, and with complete disregard to possible bodily injury he stationed himself directly beneath the boy. As the boy fell off the bar he was caught and his life was saved by the prompt and courageous action of this enlisted man. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

LLOYD H. HITCHCOCK, 02 055 979, Second Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, *** Medical Collecting Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict on 5 July 1944 at Maddaloni, Italy. Attracted to the railway station by the screams of by-standers, Second Lieutenant Hitchcock and two enlisted men, observed an Italian boy lying unconscious on his back on the cross-bar of an electric light and wire pole, approximately forty feet above a concrete station platform as a result of the shock of three thousand volts of current. With great presence of mind, and with complete disregard to possible bodily injury he stationed himself directly beneath the boy. As the boy fell off the bar he was caught and his life was saved. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

CLAUDE C. WALKER, 32 190 779, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery C, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict, on 15 July 1944, in the Fiume Sele at Highway number 18, Italy. While washing clothes in the river a fellow soldier lost his footing and was caught in a strong current. Upon hearing the cry of the drowning soldier, Private Walker, with disregard for his own personal safety, swam out into the strong current to the helpless soldier and brought him safely to shore. Private Walker's heroism undoubtedly saved the life of the fellow soldier. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

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

WARREN C. BARKER, 39 904 152, Private, Infantry, First Company, *** Special Service Force, for meritorious service near Corroto Alto, Italy on 28 March 1944. Entered military service from Delta, Utah.

HAROLD K. BAUER, 32 581 825, Private, Infantry, First Company, *** Special Service Force, for meritorious service in action near Corroto Alto, Italy on 28 March 1944. Entered military service from Ripley, New York.

LEO P. BERTOLDI, 01 691 711, Second Lieutenant, Cavalry, Troop C, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action on 24 May 1944 near Sozzo, Italy. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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LORENZA H. CLARK, 34 579 882, Private, Medical Detachment, *** Engineer Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on the afternoon of 1 June 1944, near Velletri, Italy. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

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*CHESTER C. CRUICKSHANK, O 330 679, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Second Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement from 23 May 1944 to 3 June 1944 at Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Delta, Colorado.

THOMAS E. de SAZZO, O16 479, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters, *** Field Artillery Group, for meritorious service on 3 June 1944 at Arona, Italy. Entered the United States Military Academy from Montevallo, Alabama.

ALEXANDER J. Di SALVATORE, 31 037 442, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, Troop C *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for meritorious service at Forvorno, Italy on 26 May 1944. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

WILLIAM E. FISHER, 20 244 442, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, Company F, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement near Montepescali, Italy on 21 June 1944. Entered military service from North Arlington, New Jersey.

CHESTER V. FRANKLIN, 20 244 507, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, Troop E, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action near Campagna, Italy on 28 June 1944. Entered military service from Bloomfield, New Jersey.

RALPH E. JOHNSON, 20 442 148, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Coast Artillery Corps, Battery B, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), for meritorious service on 20 July 1943 near Gela, Sicily. Entered military service from Kinards, South Carolina.

Le ROY JONES, 7 041 315, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, *** Engineer Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on the afternoon of 31 May 1944 near Velletri, Italy. Entered military service from Rockport, Indiana.

WILLIAM B. LUTY, O1 030 798, First Lieutenant, Cavalry, Troop B, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action on 24 May 1944, near Sezze, Italy. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

JOSEPH D. MURPHY, 33 586 731, Private, Infantry, First Regiment, *** Special Service Force, for heroic achievement in action near Carrato Alto, Italy on 28 March 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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FRANCIS A. PRETTYMAN, 20 244 481, Staff Sergeant, Cavalry, Troop C *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action on 26 May 1944 at Poverno, Italy. Entered military service from Jersey City, New Jersey.

ORVILLE J. SENSIDAUGH, 38 064 446, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, Troop B, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement on 12 June 1944, at Manciano, Italy. Entered military service from Ti, Oklahoma.

EDWARD R. SHERFE, 34 174 857, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), for meritorious service on 20 July 1943 near Gela, Sicily. Entered military service from Burlington, North Carolina.

MILLARD E. SMITH, 34 087 780, Staff Sergeant, Company A, *** Engineer Regiment (C), for heroic achievement in action near Anzio, Italy on 23 May 1944. Entered military service from Jakin, Georgia.

JACK W. STALLINGS, 20 822 049, Sergeant, Infantry, First Company, First Regiment, *** Special Service Force, for meritorious service in action on 28 March 1944 near Corroto Alto, Italy. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

DONALD J. WILSON, JR., 20 214 303, Corporal, Cavalry, Troop C, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 28 June 1944 at Campagna, Italy. Entered military service from Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

HENRY W. YOUNG, 20 408 231, Private First Class, Cavalry, Troop B, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for meritorious service in action on 12 June 1944 near Manciano, Italy. Entered military service from Savannah, Georgia.

VI -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE BRONZE STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following individuals:

CARL J. HAWKINS, 6 287 802, Corporal, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Observation Battalion, for meritorious service on 27 December 1943 near Mignano, Italy. Next of Kin: Bernice J. Hawkins (Wife), Healdtown, Oklahoma.

VII - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following individuals:

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AWARD OF THE THIRD BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

ANTHONY CARABIE, O1 166 926, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 24 March 1944 to 16 May 1944. Entered military service from Cloo, Pennsylvania.

AWARD OF THE FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

HARLEN D. FULMER, O 516 585, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, *** Infantry Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 22 February 1944 to 26 April 1944. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

VIII - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

JOHN E. SAMSA, O1 183 755, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 28 February 1944 to 25 April 1944. Entered military service from Essener, Pennsylvania.

JOHN R. WEIZEN, O1 171 829, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery A, *** Amherst Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in Italy during the period 29 March 1944 to 2 May 1944. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

IX -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

JACK K. BURPAS, O1 622 773, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 9 March 1944 to 15 May 1944. Next of Kin: Mr. J. K. Burpas, (Father), South Main, Farmersville, Texas.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH

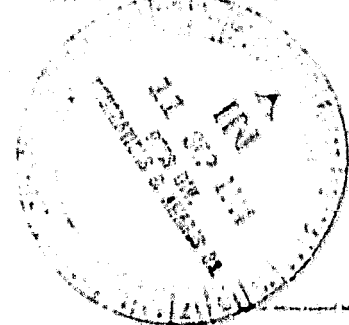
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Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished Service Cross I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal II
Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal III

I - - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

113rd Inf Div
ROMEO A. LECLAIR, 31 200 648, Private First Class, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 21 January 1944 near San Angelo in Toodice, Italy. Private First Class Leclair was attached as aid man to Company M when that unit, occupying positions on the east bank of a strategic river, was supporting an attack against savagely defended positions on the hostile bank. His platoon was continually subjected to intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire and, at daybreak, was ordered to dig in to afford maximum protection. Because of the heavy enemy fire, his platoon sustained numerous casualties, and Private First Class Leclair, contemptuous of personal safety, worked indefatigably among the wounded, administering prompt and effective first aid. While shell explosions shook the ground around him, he ran from position to position attending his injured comrades. In a moment of respite, he had started digging a foxhole when his entrenching tool struck an enemy S mine. Instantly aware that the explosion would endanger the lives of many of his fellow soldiers, he threw himself on the mine, sacrificing his life to protect the lives of his comrades. His unselfishness, his devotion to duty and his extraordinary heroism inspired the men to continue the attack with grimmer determination and carry on through to their ultimate objective. Next of Kin: Mrs. Axornia Leclair (Mother), Charlotte, Vermont.

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

117th Cav. Reg. (Mech)
FREDMAN M. BLUEBOG, 37 547 679, Private, Cavalry, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action on 20 June 1944 south of Rocastrada, Italy. Entered military service from Waubay, South Dakota.

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WILLIAM A. CARROLL, 20 244 007, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, Troop C, *** Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for heroic achievement in action on 21 June 1944 near Montepescali, Italy. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.
~~1st Cav. Reg.~~

GEORGE W. MARVIN, 014 887, Colonel, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 29 February 1944, at Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Santa Rosa, California.

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

First Special Service Force

ROMAN B. WUDARCKI, 36 100 278, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Maintenance Company, *** Special Service Force, for meritorious service in support of combat operations during the Italian campaign. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mary Wudarcki (Mother), R.F.D. #2, Ortonville, Michigan.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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3 September 1944

ORIGINAL ORDER

- Award of the Distinguished Service Cross I
- Award of the Silver Star II
- Award of the Soldier's Medal III
- Award of the Bronze Star IV
- Award of the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal V

I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

Sag. 6517th Mine Clearing Co.

WALTER E. AHRENS, 6 937 079, Private, Corps of Engineers, *** Mine Clearing Company, for extraordinary heroism in action in Southern France on 15 August 1944 at "D" day and "H" hour. After his tank drowned out upon debarkation from its LCT during the initial assault on one of the most strongly held beaches in Southern France, Private Ahrens, displaying superior initiative and leadership, issued the order to breach the six foot high, four foot wide defense wall which stretched across the beach. Working under continuous enemy fire, he secured demolitions from his tank, swimming and crawling back and forth toward his objective, until a considerable quantity of demolition charges were placed against the wall. As a result of this action a twelve foot wide gap was made in the wall. Private Ahren's gallant action enabled the succeeding waves of infantry, combat tanks, and vehicles to pass through quickly and destroy the enemy. Entered military service from Saint Louis, Missouri.

II -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

On 15 August 1944; "D" day and "H" hour in Southern France, their tanks drowned out after debarkation from the LCT's during the initial assault, the enlisted men herein cited, working under continuous enemy fire, removed demolitions from their tanks by swimming and wading ashore until a total of thirty-two bags of demolition charges, each weighing twenty-two pounds were placed against the six foot high, four foot wide walled obstacle which stretched across the beach. A breach four yards wide was made in the wall. As a result of this outstanding display of valor, and complete disregard for personal safety, a passageway was afforded to the succeeding waves of infantry, tanks and vehicles to readily close with the enemy.

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Engineers, 6317th Mine Clearing Co.

PETER B. MURO, 16 124 289, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, *** Mine Clearing Company. Entered military service from Waukegan, Illinois.

Eng. 6317th Mine Clearing Co.

J. R. STANBERG, 37 312 698, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, *** Mine Clearing Company. Entered military service from Granville, North Dakota.

Eng. 6317th Mine Clearing Co.

HENRY STARCHER, 7 040 800, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, *** Mine Clearing Company. Entered military service from Spencer, West Virginia.

Eng. 6317th Mine Clearing Co.

ELMER H. WEAVER, 55 565 710, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, *** Mine Clearing Company. Entered military service from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

III - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-46, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

17th FA Group

WALTER E. IKNER, 7 084 959, Private, (then Corporal), Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Group, for heroism not involving actual combat with the enemy in North Africa. On 8 April 1943, Corporal Ikner's Battery was in position near El Guettar, Tunisia. A fellow soldier, Private Benjamin, was preparing to wash his clothes when the can of gasoline he was using exploded and threw burning gasoline over his clothing. Corporal Ikner, with complete disregard for his own safety, threw sand upon the burning clothing in an effort to extinguish the flames. Without regard for the burns received or his hands but recognizing the serious nature of the burns on the injured man, Corporal Ikner immediately drove Private Benjamin to a hospital. Corporal Ikner's courageous action and instant response in this moment of emergency resulted in saving a fellow soldier from probable fatal burning. His heroic action and display of loyalty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered the military service from Whitville, North Carolina.

IV -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-46, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

933rd FA Bn.

ALICE E. KIKER, 61 296 687, Private First Class (then Private), Field Artillery, Service Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action, on 8 February 1944 in the vicinity of Vallerotolan, Italy. Entered military service from Fall River, Massachusetts.

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V -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 300-43, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

938th FA Bn.

CLAUDE W. IVEY, 1B 115 761, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 1 May 1944 to 28 May 1944. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

938th FA Bn.

SAMUEL M. LOCKWOOD, 01 284 723, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 3 May 1944 to 28 May 1944 in Italy. Entered military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

AWARD OF THE THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

938th FA Bn.

ALLEN S. MOU, 01 182 921, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 25 June 1944 to 19 July 1944. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL

4th FA Group

FRANK W. COLB, 5B 007 839, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Group, for meritorious achievement in aerial flight on 4 June 1944 at Arona, Italy. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

188th FA Bn.

RICHARD J. McCLEADY, 01 170 436, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 3 June 1944 to 18 June 1944 in Italy. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

938th FA Bn.

JOHN L. TRIMLY, 01 174 983, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights as aerial observer during the period 5 May 1944 to 8 June 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.

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133rd FA Bn.

RALEIGH C. TAYLOR, JR., O. 359 275, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 2 June 1944 to 15 June 1944. Entered military service from Petersburg, Virginia.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 73)

6 September 1944

- Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished Service Cross I
- Award of the Silver Star II
- Award of the Soldier's Medal III
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal IV

I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

JOHN DE WITTE O'NEIL, O1 301 024, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Second Battalion, *** Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action near Corioli, and Checcina, Italy, on 2 and 3 June 1944: First Lieutenant O'Neil, assuming command of a platoon of Company E, *** Infantry, on 2 June 1944, immediately re-organized the battle weary men and personally led a brilliant attack on Hill K, supported by artillery and tanks. Riding the lead tank, he arrived at the objective ahead of his men and despite heavy enemy fire, selected valuable fields of fire and secured his position against an enemy counter-attack. The position provided a line of departure for a continuing attack the next day. This position was a vital link in the enemy defense system and was instrumental in breaking the whole line in the Regimental sector. On 3 June 1944, while moving his platoon, then depleted to fifteen men, into a position to protect the exposed right flank of the battalion, they were suddenly counter-attacked. Realizing the necessity for stopping any enemy infiltration, he boldly ordered his men to attack immediately. While personally engaging in the hand-to-hand fighting and after forcing his way through to the advance enemy Command Post, he was killed in action by automatic weapons fire. The attack successfully drove the enemy from one of their last lines of resistance in the regimental sector. Next of Kin: Lawrence E. O'Neil (Brother), Forrest Production Company, Main Street, Kalispell, Montana.

II -- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for gallantry in action:

JOHN B. MYERS, O 426 031, First Lieutenant, Infantry, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 27 May 1944, near Aprilia, Italy. During an attack on strong enemy positions, First Lieutenant Myers, company executive officer, observed a hidden

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machine gunner rising from his well concealed emplacement and preparing to fire on the company. With one round, First Lieutenant Myers neutralized the enemy and captured his machine gun, machine pistol and Mauser rifle. When elements of his company became engaged in a fierce fire fight with a well entrenched enemy force, First Lieutenant Myers went forward, organized these elements, and led them in an aggressive assault on the enemy, destroying a large number, taking twenty prisoners and capturing ten automatic weapons. Covered by his runner, First Lieutenant Myers then proceeded alone on a reconnaissance of the enemy position, and by poking his M-1 rifle into dugouts, routed out twelve more enemy, destroyed four who tried to flee, and disorganized the remainder. Entered military service from Orangeburg, South Carolina.

THEODORE T. RAVIS, JR., 33 234 245, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company A, *** Engineer Regiment, for gallantry in action near Plage du Drammont, Southern France on 15 August 1944. On "D" Day during the invasion of Southern France, Technician Fifth Grade Ravis led the attack of the Third Platoon Weapons Section on an enemy pillbox and other strong points which were directing small arms and machine gun fire on Green Beach. This mission called for the utmost in courage and determination, in extraordinary skill, and in cool judgment. His actions were above and beyond the call of duty in searching out and silencing enemy strong points which resulted in the capture of thirty-five prisoners. Entered military service from Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

III -- AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

ELWIN E. BENNINGTON, OI 542 814, First Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps. *** Evacuation Hospital Semimobile For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy in Italy on 11 July 1944. While swimming with associates from his unit, treacherous undertow caught two fellow officers who soon became completely exhausted and cried for help. Lieutenant Bennington, without hesitation, went to the help of one of the officers when he soon brought to safety. As the nurse who had gone to the help of the second officer was herself becoming exhausted, Lieutenant Bennington once again plunged into the water and went to their assistance. With the assistance of the nurse he brought the second officer safely to shore. Lieutenant Bennington's complete disregard for his own safety and intentional risk of his own life saved the life of two fellow officers. Entered military service from Missoula, Montana.

RUTH C. BIMBER, N-725 273, Second Lieutenant, Army Nurse Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital Semimobile. For heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy in Italy on 11 July 1944. While in swimming with a party of Officers from her unit, two Officers were caught in a treacherous undertow where they soon became exhausted and cried for help. Second Lieutenant Bimber, with complete disregard for her own safety, went to the assistance of one of the Officers. The current was so strong and the surf so rough that by the time she reached the drowning Officer she was unable to tow him to shore; she managed however, with great effort, to keep his head above water until another Officer came to her assistance. With his help she brought the drowning Officer to safety. Entered military service from Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

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

RAY W. ANDERSON, 38 420 953, Private, Corps of Engineers, Company A, *** Engineer Regiment, for meritorious service in action on 15 August 1944, near Plage du Drammont, Southern France. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

ELMER J. ERDMAN, 37 175 168, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, Company A, *** Engineer Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, near Plage du Drammont, Southern France. Entered military service from Benson, Minnesota.

JAMES T. MCLAUGHLIN, O 410 250, Captain, Medical Corps, *** Medical Clearing Company, for heroic achievement in action on 24 August 1944, near Ramatuelle, France. Entered military service from Connetquot Lake, Pennsylvania.

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Award of the Distinguished Service Cross	I
Award of the Silver Star	II
Award of the Soldier's Medal	III
Award of the Bronze Star Medal	IV

I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

100th Infantry

EDWIN L. HURD, SS 323 679, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "G", *** Infantry Regiment for extraordinary heroism in action on 23 May 1944 at Anzio, Italy. On three nights prior to the attack which was to liberate the Anzio beachhead, Sergeant Hurd, a rifle squad leader, led highly successful reconnaissance patrols into enemy territory and returned with much valuable information of enemy installations. In the subsequent attack, he skillfully maneuvered his squad against the first strong point, destroyed it with hand grenades, eliminated three of the enemy and captured five. Quickly resuming his advance, he ordered his squad to cover him by fire and with his scout, began crawling towards an enemy machine gun emplacement. Fired upon by enemy snipers, Sergeant Hurd signalled to his scout and they rushed the enemy emplacement destroying four and capturing nine of the enemy. While obtaining ammunition for his squad, Sergeant Hurd's left foot was shattered by an enemy anti-personnel mine. Almost simultaneously, enemy small arms fire became intense and Sergeant Hurd observed that his squad was becoming discouraged. He ordered his men to continue forward and despite the injured foot, crawled with his men towards the next enemy strong point and brought his squad to within assault range. He then ordered his second-in-command to take over and storm the position. Sergeant Hurd's intrepid performance, his outstanding leadership and his courage despite his wounded condition, inspired his men to overrun a strongly defended enemy position. Entered military service from Nowata, Oklahoma.

100th Infantry

RODERIC G. MORRE, O 435 294, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "F", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 4 November 1943, near Pipirozzi, Italy. On his first day of combat duty with a rifle platoon, First Lieutenant Morre led his men aggressively in capturing his initial objective after a thirty-minute fight. He then proceeded with his platoon, across an open field in pursuit of the enemy. When heavy artillery and

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