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fire which was directed at a machine gun which his companions were putting into action close to him, Private Kanetomi refused to take cover. Instead, he remained at his post and fired at an enemy machine gun crew which was preparing to get their gun into action. By his accurate fire he destroyed one of the enemy, wounded two others, and successfully dispersed the remainder of the gun crew. Entered military service from Fort Lewis, Washington.

✓ NORMAN C. MATTKE, 16 049 205, Corporal, (then Private First Class), Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for heroic achievement on 13 May 1944, in Italy. When stopped by a wrecked quarter ton truck which had struck a mine in the road, Corporal Mattke volunteered to drive his vehicle back to the main highway over a road from which thirty-eight mines were later removed, in order to warn the battalion truck column which was following a short distance behind. His courageous action was instrumental in saving the lives of many of his comrades and preventing the destruction of much valuable material. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

✓ CLIFFORD J. NYBERG, 37 159 385, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, *** Field Hospital, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 10 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from South Haven, Minnesota.

✓ DONALD L. SCHUPP, 01 138 070, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery *** Field Artillery Group, for meritorious service from 11 May 1944 to 10 October 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Bartow, Florida.

✓ SATOSHI D. SHIMAZU, 30 104 807, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 15 October 1944 to 8 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from Puunone, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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GENERAL ORDERS)

28 January 1945

NUMBER 22)

- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished-Service Cross I
- Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal III
- Award of the Purple Heart IV

I -- AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. 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 Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

~~SECRET~~ **ROBERT T. FREDERICK**, O17 196, Major General, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on 4 June 1944, in Rome, Italy. In order to advance to the city of Rome and seize bridges within the city, General Frederick organized a small, fast-moving force of armored vehicles and infantry to speedily execute the mission. Upon entering the city, the force met strong, determined resistance. Because of communication difficulties, General Frederick moved from place to place, constantly under fire, issuing orders and controlling his units. When the resistance had been overcome and movement through the city resumed, General Frederick, with only a small party, sped ahead in his half-track vehicle to examine the bridges for demolitions and neutralize charges that may have been placed but not yet exploded. As the examination of the first bridge was completed, an enemy unit approached to cross. When the enemy disregarded an order to halt, they were fired upon. In the ensuing fight, five of the enemy were killed, six wounded, eleven captured, and the remainder forced to withdraw. Although General Frederick had been slightly wounded early in the day and twice wounded at the bridge, he spent the remainder of the night disposing his forces to protect the bridges. His courage, leadership and determination in battle inspired his troops and were largely responsible for the successful accomplishment of a difficult operation. Entered the United States Military Academy from California.

II - 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:

~~SECRET~~ **JOHN H. DONALDSON, JR.**, O 363 579, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Infantry, 3d Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 29 September 1944, in the Foret de

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Parroy, France. During the attack on the bitterly contested Forêt de Parroy, the 3d Battalion OP was subjected to an intense concentration of enemy mortar fire, resulting in numerous casualties. During this action, Colonel Donaldson, the Battalion Commander, received a serious shell fragment wound in the arm. Completely ignoring his painful wound, Colonel Donaldson remained in an exposed position and supervised the reestablishing of communications and the evacuation of all wounded personnel. Despite intense artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, Colonel Donaldson personally went forward to each assault platoon encouraging the troops and checking on the progress of the attack. Remaining with the forward elements, he continually exposed himself to lead the battalion against stubborn enemy resistance until the enemy was forced to withdraw. Despite his painful wound, Colonel Donaldson refused to be evacuated and remained with the forward elements of his battalion until the completion of the Forêt de Parroy operation on 12 October 1944. By his extraordinary heroism, determination, and superior leadership, the battalion objective was taken, six enemy counterattacks were repulsed, and control of the battalion was maintained during a critical phase of the operation. Entered military service from Little Rock, Arkansas.

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MURVIN S. ERMEY, O1 314 116, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "K", 4th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 23 September 1944, near Luneville, France. While moving forward through a wooded area southeast of Luneville, France, Lieutenant Ermey's platoon was suddenly pinned down by extremely heavy machine gun and small arms fire from well concealed enemy emplacements. Platoon casualties were heavy, and the unit seemed on the verge of a forced withdrawal. Shouting to his men to hold fast to their positions, Lieutenant Ermey seized a radio and crawled forward under intense automatic weapons fire to a point where he had unobstructed observation of the enemy gun positions. Fully cognizant of the fact that the exposed position he now occupied was within the impact area of the hostile target he intended to adjust fire upon, Lieutenant Ermey established radio contact with the mortar squad supporting his platoon and called for fire on the enemy position. Despite severe wounds received from the initial burst of friendly fire, he continued to call for and adjust mortar fire on the enemy positions until they were neutralized and the gun crews had withdrawn in disorder. Inspired by this courageous action, his men pressed forward through the breach and captured their objective. The fearless determination, initiative and outstanding leadership displayed by Lieutenant Ermey reflect the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

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

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WINSTON L. ADSIT, 32 130 634, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for meritorious service from March 1944 to November 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Corning, New York.

ROBERT W. BECKMAN, 32 375 020, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Topographic Company, for meritorious service from 1 December 1943 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

CHARLES B. FEIBLEMAN, 01 165 728, Captain, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action from 27 October 1944 to 30 October 1944, in the Forêt Domaniale de Champ, Eastern France. Captain Feibleman, as artillery liaison officer with an infantry battalion during its advance toward an isolated friendly unit, carefully, and with cool judgment, coordinated the efforts of his forward observers. Their accurate fire, adjusted with great difficulty, played a major role in effecting the rescue of the beleaguered garrison. His initiative, tenacity, courage, and devotion to duty were exemplary and reflect credit upon the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

ELWOOD A. GANSER, JR., 32 023 800, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for meritorious service from 22 January 1944 to 4 June 1944, in Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

WALTER D. HUBER, 36 227 499, Technical Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Topographic Company, for meritorious service from 9 September 1943 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Ellsworth, Wisconsin.

ALEXANDER M. KORN, 32 207 218, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Topographic Company, for meritorious service from 1 September 1943 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

HARRISON B. MOORE, JR., 402 485, Major, Air Corps, *** Tactical Air Command Squadron, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

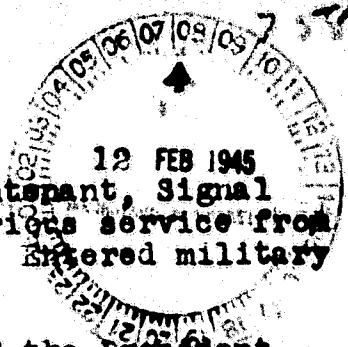
HENRY R. RILEY, 37 081 738, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service from 25 January 1943 to 2 November 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Casselton, North Dakota.

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Adjutant General (Special)



CORNELIUS P. STEELE, O1 634 364, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, *** Signal Company (Special), for meritorious service from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Logan, West Virginia.

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 by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for wounds received in action:

PAUL HEMMERSON, 38 030 631, Sergeant, Signal Corps, *** Signal Company, (Special), France, 3 January 1945. Entered military service from Fort San Houston, Texas.

JERRY RUTBERG, 32 648 511, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, *** Signal Photographic Company, France, 21 November 1944. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

HENRY STARCHER, 7 040 800, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Mine Clearance Company, (Armored) (Provisional); France, 3 December 1944. Entered military service from Spencer, West Virginia.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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32 878 080 (29 Apr 58)

9 May 1958

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Ascension of General Orders

TO: Mr. Robert W. Beckman
635 Auburn Avenue
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So much of General Orders 48, Headquarters 9th United States Army, dated 28 January 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Robert W. Beckman, service number 32 878 080, which reads "Staff Sergeant" is amended to read "Technical Sergeant".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

29 January 1945

NUMBER 23)

- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. I
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal. II
- Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal -
(Correction in General Orders) III

I -- 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:

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✓ ELMER J. D. ATKINSON, 34 041 023, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Military Police, *** Military Police Company, for meritorious service from 28 May 1944 to 1 December 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Clarkrange, Tennessee.
443d AAA AW Bn. (SP)

✓ MAURICE A. BACKER, 35 479 877, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (SP), for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, in the vicinity of St. Raphael, France. Technician Fifth Grade Backer, hearing cries for help from a burning LST, rushed to the beach. With ammunition from the ship exploding all around him, Technician Fifth Grade Backer searched the beach and, finding a critically injured man, quickly treated and evacuated him. Technician Fifth Grade Backer's calmness and devotion to duty materially increased the injured man's chances of recovery and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Troy, Indiana.

1627th Engr. Utilities Det.

✓ JOSEPH F. BINKOWSKI, 36 154 788, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Utilities Detachment, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 8 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from St. Charles, Michigan.
67th AAA Gun Bn.

✓ ROBERT BLUM, R-130 194, First Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "D", *** Antiaircraft Gun Battalion, for meritorious service from October 1943 to December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

343d Engr. Regt. (GS)

✓ PAUL J. BOWMAN, O 803 229, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Company "D", *** Engineer Regiment (GS), for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 28 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Huntington, West Virginia.

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697th FA Bn.

✓ FLORIAN F. EWASKIEWICZ, 32 071 465, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 22 January 1944 to 17 October 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

932d FA Bn.

✓ HOWARD R. FRENCH, 01 178 799, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 29 January 1944 to 30 March 1944, near Cassino, Italy. Entered military service from Titonka, Iowa.

34th AAA Brigade

✓ RALPH J. GRAHAM, 01 040 231, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, for meritorious service from March 1944 to December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Corpus Christi, Texas.

932d FA Bn.

✓ HERMAN G. GREEN, 0 432 520, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 27 November 1943 to 22 January 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

343d Engr. Regt. (GS)

✓ THOMAS P. GRIFFITH, 0 904 999, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Company "F", *** Engineer Regiment (GS), for meritorious service from 19 August 1944 to 24 August 1944, in France. Entered military service from Silver Springs, Maryland.

11th Field Hospital

✓ VIRGINIA L. HAASE, N-28 306, First Lieutenant, Army Nurse Corps, *** Field Hospital, for meritorious service from 17 November 1943 to 30 June 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Crawfordsville, Indiana.

649th Engr. Regt

✓ JOHN HALADAY, 1 109 973, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Topographic Battalion, for meritorious service from 5 January 1944 to 30 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

204th MP CO.

✓ DURWARD W. JOHNSON, 34 040 976, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Military Police, *** Military Police Company, for meritorious service from 8 November 1942 to 1 December 1944, in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered military service from Gainesboro, Tennessee.

11th Field Hospital

✓ DENNIS KIPER, 37 195 269, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, *** Field Hospital, for meritorious service from 1 May 1944 to 30 June 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Shenandoah, Iowa.

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✓ PAUL KUBALA, 0 482 217, Major, Infantry, Commanding Officer, MU *** of *** DIC MIS, for meritorious service from 27 January 1944 to 1 December 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

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7th Signal Co. (Special)

LEONARD I. NARROW, 33 002 388, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, *** Signal Company (Special), for meritorious service from 1 January 1944 to 15 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.
1st Ordnance Maintenance Co.

ARTHUR J. SHURIG, 16 067 849, Staff Sergeant, Ordnance Department, *** Ordnance Maintenance Company (Antiaircraft), for meritorious service from 1 October 1943 to 1 July 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.
1st AAA Bn

JAMES J. SPORTELLI, 32 033 163, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade for meritorious service from March 1944 to November 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.
1st AAA Bn

FRED F. WHITE, O 366 664, Major, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 1 February 1944 to 15 April 1944, on the Anzio Beachhead, Italy. Entered military service from Norman, Oklahoma.
1st AAA Bn

HILTON S. WILKINS, 31 001 423, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for meritorious service from 1 November 1943 to 3 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Milford, Massachusetts.
1st AAA Bn

HIRAM M. WOLFE, III, O 460 589, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, (then *** Signal Information and Monitoring Company), for meritorious service from 2 May 1944 to 5 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF THE FIRST 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 First 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:
1st AAA Bn

GORDON F. SANDEFUR, O 450 065, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 2 October 1944 to 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.
1st AAA Bn

III - AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 56, this Headquarters, 1944, as pertains to WILLIAM H. MCKAY, O 452 551, Captain, Field Artillery as reads "AWARD OF THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH AND FIFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTERS TO THE AIR MEDAL", is amended to read "AWARD OF THE SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH AND SIXTH OAK LEAF CLUSTERS TO THE AIR MEDAL."
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By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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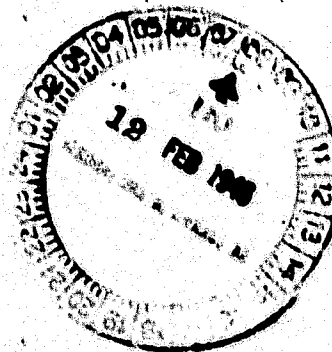
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GENERAL ORDERS

29 January 1945

NUMBER 24

- Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross. I
- Award of the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal. II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. III
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal - Rescission of Award. IV

I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

CLAYTON C. THOBRO, O 401 901, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Commanding Officer 2d Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 25 September 1944, while leading his battalion in the assault on hill masses dominating Fordrupt, France, and an important sector of the Moselle River. Colonel Thobro joined the attacking elements of his battalion, which had been temporarily halted by withering machine gun and small arms fire, and, standing behind an embankment with his head and shoulders exposed to the enemy fire, directed artillery concentrations on the Germans, driving them from the first hill mass. The following day, Colonel Thobro stood in an exposed vantage point under intense enemy mortar and rifle fire, to watch the progress of the attack on the second hill. When his left flank protection was rolled back by a German counterattack in greatly superior force, Colonel Thobro rushed through hostile fire and ordered retreating elements to continue the uneven fight. He assembled a small force on a hill crest and, by his intrepid leadership, encouraged it to hold off the advancing Germans. When the reinforcements he had called for arrived, Colonel Thobro continued to direct those forward elements in a counterattack which drove the enemy back in confusion. As a result of his courageous leadership, all assigned objectives were taken. Entered military service from Rock Springs, Wyoming.

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

KENNETH E. ABELN, 37 654 924, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Mine Clearance Company, (Armored) (Provisional), for heroic achievement in action on 2 November 1944, near St. Benoit, France. When his tank dozer was hit by enemy artillery fire which wounded several members of his crew, Technician Fifth Grade Abeln, although seriously wounded, remained at

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the controls of the tank and, displaying great initiative and courage, backed it away to a position of comparative safety. Entered military service from Bellevue, Iowa.

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

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ 35 040 728, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service from 11 May 1944 to 15 November 1944, in ~~Italy~~ *Italy* and France. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ROGER E. COOLIDGE, 31 004 547, Sergeant, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for meritorious service from 23 January 1944 to 8 June 1944 at Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Petersham, Massachusetts.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ RENE DUPERON, Colonel, (Forces Terrestres Antiaeriennes, Corps Expeditionnaire Francaise), for meritorious service from March 1944 to July 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from France.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ DUNCAN J. MAC LENNAN, 01 041 194, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for meritorious service from 2 January 1944 to 9 June 1944 at Mignano and Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ ERVIN F. MILLER, JR., 35 381 662, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Group, for meritorious service from 23 January 1944 to 23 May 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Akron, Ohio.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ JAMES A. MOULDER, 01 040 276, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, for meritorious service from 25 July 1944 to 5 August 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ JAMES H. STAPLETON, 35 668 582, Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "A", *** Chemical Battalion Motorized, for heroic achievement in action. On 15 August 1944, in the vicinity of Plage de Jampelonne, France, Sergeant Stapleton and a squad came ashore with the mission of establishing and maintaining a smoke screen. Despite intense mortar fire, an effective screen was quickly established. When enemy riflemen threatened the position of his squad, Sergeant Stapleton engaged them, forcing the surrender of twelve of the enemy. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

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IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL - RESCISSION OF AWARD. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 3, Headquarters Seventh Army, 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to KENNETH E. MELN, 37 654 984, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, and Engineer Mine Clearance Company, (Armored) (Provisional), is rescinded. (See Section II).

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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- Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross. I
- Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star II
- Award of the Silver Star. III
- Award of the Soldier's Medal. IV
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. V
- Award of Third and Fourth Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal. VI

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 Lt. Frank DeLong~~

ALYRE F. GAUTHIER, 31 107 327, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Reconnaissance Company, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 20 August 1944, near Feyrolles, France. While on a reconnaissance mission in advance of a combined infantry and tank column, the M-8 Armored Car on which Technician Fifth Grade Gauthier was serving as gunner was suddenly ambushed by a superior enemy force. The M-8 Armored Car immediately swung off the road into position and Technician Fifth Grade Gauthier opened fire on an anti-tank gun to his left. During the ensuing action, the vehicle was hit several times by artillery fire which killed both the driver and the commander. Although the car was set on fire and Technician Fifth Grade Gauthier was himself wounded, displaying outstanding endurance and intrepidity, he remained at his post firing on the enemy positions until the burning gas tank exploded and hurled him from the vehicle. Technician Fifth Grade Gauthier's indomitable courage and devotion to duty, in the face of desperate odds, reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Berlin, New Hampshire.

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:
~~1st Lt. Frank DeLong~~

LARRY M. IIMURA, 30 106 212, Private First Class, Infantry, *** Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 October 1944, near Biffontaine, France. When intense fire from two enemy machine guns supported by snipers pinned down his platoon, Private First Class Iimura, with utter disregard for his personal safety, crawled forward under heavy small arms fire in an attempt to locate and outflank the machine gun nests. Having crawled about forty-five yards, he took careful aim at one of the enemy machine

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guns which was firing on his platoon, and fired a long burst from his BAR into the position. Suddenly, a machine gun to the front opened up and killed Private First Class Imamura almost instantly. By his gallant deed, he revealed the positions of the enemy machine guns and enabled his platoon to close in and destroy them. Next of Kin: Mr Hiroki Imamura, (Brother), P.O. Box 22, Kelahe, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

III- AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the ~~Silver Star~~ is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

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KAZUHA HISANAGA, OI 703 068, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, *** Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 18 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bruyeres, France. When his platoon was assigned the mission of occupying an isolated farm house situated on flat open terrain for the purpose of securing the battalion's right flank, Lieutenant Hisanaga dashed toward the building through intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Inspired by his example, his men immediately followed him. When his messenger was wounded while crossing the open field, Lieutenant Hisanaga, with complete disregard for his own safety, dashed back across the field and, under intense enemy small arms fire, carried the wounded soldier to a place of safety. His gallant leadership and unselfish devotion to duty reflect the finest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Hilo, Territory of Hawaii.

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JULIUS D. MORRIS, 20 449 993, Corporal, Company "A", *** Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Sigolsheim, France. When the 75 millimeter gun on his tank could no longer be used effectively against the surrounding enemy infantry, Corporal Morris dismounted and rallying a small group of infantrymen, fought the enemy until they were forced to withdraw. His courageous actions inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and materially aided in repulsing an enemy counterattack. Entered military service from Georgetown, South Carolina.

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FRANCIS N. PULITO, 31 121 019, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Engineer Regiment (GS), for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944, in the vicinity of Lorient, France. Hearing a call for "Medics", Private Pulito, who was serving as medical aid man for a rear platoon of his company, rushed forward from a position of safety through a hail of mortar and automatic weapons fire toward the platoon which was acting as the advance guard. Administering first aid to three wounded men, he then carried to a place of safety two of the wounded men who could be safely moved without incurring further injury. His timely aid and heroic action undoubtedly saved the lives of the wounded men and reflect the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kensington, Connecticut.

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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:

~~1923 Ord M Co.~~
FRANCIS M. KELLER, 6 917 467, Technician Fifth Grade, Ordnance Department, *** Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 11 October 1944, near Lyons, France. When an enlisted man was trapped in the cab of an overturned, burning truck which was partially loaded with gasoline Technician Fifth Grade Keller, with complete disregard for his personal safety, and at considerable risk to his life, pried open the door of the cab. Releasing the man inside, he then supervised the unhooking of a loaded trailer attached to the truck. Entered military service from Rock Island, Illinois.

~~38097 306~~
WILLIE KIRK, 38 097 306, Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps, *** Quartermaster Truck Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 10 December 1944, in Abreschviller, France. Sergeant Kirk, with utter disregard for his personal safety, entered a burning gasoline dump and started throwing gasoline cans away from the fire. His courage inspired his fellow soldiers to come to his aid, and thus saved the entire gasoline dump from certain destruction. His heroic achievement is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Roagan, Texas.

~~19 102 324~~
OLIVER E. RILEY, 19 102 324, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers Headquarters and Service Company, *** Engineer Regiment (GS), for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, in France. In the early morning of 23 December 1944, Sergeant Riley, displaying outstanding and heroic courage, calmly walked through fifteen feet of flaming gasoline and closed the fuel valve on a pressure tank which was in imminent danger of exploding. His courageous actions enabled his fellow soldiers to quickly bring under control a rapidly spreading fire of serious proportions. Entered military service from Klamath Falls, Oregon.

~~35 453 536~~
WILLIAM WELLS, 35 453 536, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Ordnance Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 17 August 1944, in Southern France. While on a mission to St. Raphael, France, Sergeant Wells heard an explosion as he entered that city. Proceeding to the area where the explosion had taken place, Sergeant Wells came upon the scene where several mines had been detonated, injuring soldiers and civilians. Military Police advised Sergeant Wells that several unexploded mines were still in the area. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Wells entered the area and administered blood plasma and first aid to the injured. His prompt and courageous action was undoubtedly responsible for saving the lives

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of two soldiers, and preventing serious complications resulting from injuries, to three others. Entered military service from Jackson, Kentucky.

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

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✓ ANDREW J. BENNETT, O 390 314, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (3P), from 22 June 1944 to 30 September 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Roanoke, Virginia.

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✓ PERSHING E. BOUNDS, G 962 615, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 29 January 1944 to 17 October 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Joaquin, Texas.

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✓ GEORGE B. FISHER, G 877 515, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, *** Auxiliary Surgical Group, on 15 August 1944, near St. Tropez, France. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

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✓ WILLIAM C. LIGHTFIELD, O2 046 474, Captain, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters, *** Engineer Regiment (GS), from 1 November 1943 to 1 November 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

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✓ COLLINS G. RODERICK, 36 247 092, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, *** Field Hospital, from 10 July 1943 to 17 August 1943, in Sicily. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

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✓ RALPH J. SPICER, 35 428 564, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, Company "A", *** Engineer Regiment (GS), from 15 November 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Copen, West Virginia.

VI - AWARD OF THIRD AND FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTERS TO THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Third and Fourth Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal are awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

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✓ THEODORE E. BROWN, O1 176 268, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 7 August 1944 to 11 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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GUY R. CLAYBOURN, JR., OI 683 314, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 24 July 1944 to 13 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Lawton, Oklahoma.

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JOHN G. DAVIDSON, OI 177 358, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 27 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

34 Tactical Air Command

ARTHUR J. ASTORIA, 31 328 806, Private First Class, Air Corps, *** Tactical Air Communications Squadron, from 29 September 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

31st Signal Info & Monitoring Co

DAVID B. BENNETT, 20 800 973, Master Sergeant, Signal Corps, *** Signal Information and Monitoring Company, from 28 May 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

300th FA Bn

GEORGE H. EDWARDS, 33 228 479, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 7 July 1944 to 5 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Richmond, Virginia.

ANDRE FENETRE, Captain, French Army, from 1 July 1944 to 15 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from La Redoute, Algeria.

32d Chemical Smoke Co.

JOHN C. FRIEDLI, 32 285 628, Staff Sergeant, (then Technician Fourth Grade), Chemical Warfare Service, *** Chemical Smoke Generator Battalion, from 10 October 1943 to 4 May 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Solway, New York.

15th FA Brigade

ROLAND B. GANDY, 20 449 753, Technical Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Brigade, from February 1943 to December 1944, in Tunisia, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered military service from Andrews, South Carolina.

3d Army

WILLIAM P. GORISEK, 36 303 625, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, *** Army, from 25 July 1944 to 11 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Oglesby, Illinois.

34th Medical Bn (Separate)

EVERETT E. MASON, O 357 678, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Medical Battalion (Separate), from 1 September 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Evansville, Indiana.

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THOMAS S. NARBIT, 6 999 477, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Service Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 7 February 1944 to 17 October 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

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GEORGE H. PAISLEY, II 067 726, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Tactical Air Communications Squadron, from 29 September 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Brunswick, Maine.

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JACK M. PARTISON, 16 074 824, Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Tactical Air Communications Squadron, from 29 September 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Midland, Texas.

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GRACE E. TROTT, N-724 670, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Army Nurse Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, on 29 March 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Glenrock, Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 28)

2 February 1945

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

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

~~400th Inf Regt~~

HARRY S. ASATO, 30 105 417, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "A", *** Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 October 1944, in the vicinity of Belmont, France. When the third platoon of Company "A" was assigned the mission of establishing contact with friendly troops which were believed to be encircled by the enemy in the town of Biffontaine, France, Private First Class Asato mounted one of the five tanks assigned the platoon for the hazardous mission. Encountering a hail of small arms and anti-tank grenade fire, Private First Class Asato, on his own initiative, climbed on top the tank's turret to fire the machine gun. Although he received a bullet wound in his right arm, he courageously remained at his machine gun, and in full view of the enemy, sprayed the hostile positions, and prevented the enemy from effectively firing on his comrades. Private First Class Asato's complete disregard for personal safety, and undaunted bravery exemplify the finest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

~~400th Inf Regt~~

YEIICHI KUWAYAMA, 32 013 547, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 October 1944, near Biffontaine, France. Observing a comrade severely wounded and lying fully exposed to intense hostile fire, Technician Fourth Grade Kuwayama, with utter disregard for his own safety, quickly left his sheltered position and crawled toward the injured man. Although he received a shrapnel wound in the head and was partially blinded by his own blood, Technician Fourth Grade Kuwayama reached his fallen comrade and calmly administered first aid. He then dragged the wounded man to safety through a hail of bursting mortar shells and machine gun fire. Entered military service from Woodside, Queens, New York.

~~400th Inf Regt~~

HIDEO TAKAHASHI, 30 105 941, Private First Class, Infantry, 2d Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 October 1944, near Biffontaine, France. After a short, fiercely contested attack, Private First Class Takahashi quickly reorganized his platoon to meet a strong counterattack by a superior enemy

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force. The platoon fought back bitterly. Despite the intensity of the enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class Takahashi, with a BAR team and a rifleman, fearlessly developed an outflanking movement and, after placing his men in advantageous positions, opened fire on the enemy. When the hostile guns were momentarily silenced by this fire, the remainder of Private First Class Takahashi's platoon charged forward, killing or capturing the entire enemy force. By his gallant leadership, Private First Class Takahashi was directly responsible for the capture of a strongly defended enemy-held hill. Entered military service from Iahina, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

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 for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

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ALBERT L. ASENHOF, 6 708 255, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, Service Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, on 3 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

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JAMES K. TANIGUCHI, 30 105 490, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, *** Infantry Regiment, from 26 June 1944 to 6 September 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, G3C,
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Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star I
Award of the Silver Star. II

I -- 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 individuals:

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CHARLES O. FARNUM, JR., O 397 343, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 2d Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 20 October 1944, near Bruyeres, France. When Lieutenant Farnum learned that a carrying party from his company had been ambushed by a strong force of enemy riflemen, he immediately summoned reinforcements to come to the aid of the ambushed troops. Without waiting for the reinforcements to arrive, Lieutenant Farnum hurried to the area and began working his way toward the enemy in a desperate effort to draw the enemy fire away from the carrying party. Determined to save his men, even at the expense of his life, Lieutenant Farnum continued his advance toward the enemy positions until he was cut down by a hail of hostile fire. As a result of his daring, the carrying party was able to escape and the rescuing party which he had summoned was enabled to surround and destroy the enemy force. Next of Kin: Mrs. Eloise B. Farnum, (Wife), 18 Clarendon Avenue, Greenville, South Carolina.

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JOHN J. TOOMEY, 32 179 825, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1944, in the vicinity of Anzio, Italy. During an intense enemy artillery barrage, Private First Class Toomey, a Battery Aid Man, learned that one of the men in the organization had been seriously wounded. He proceeded across open terrain, despite constant peril from further hostile shellfire, to where the wounded man lay. He then quickly and efficiently administered first aid and placed the wounded soldier in an ambulance for removal to a field hospital. His gallant performance is in keeping with the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of Kin: Mrs. Nora Toomey, (Mother), 292 Hoyt Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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

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~~4004 Inf Regt~~
JAMES S. KOIZUMI, 30 104 225, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 20 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bruyeres, France. Sergeant Koizumi, with five men of his section, was ordered to harass and prevent the enemy from launching a projected attack. Quickly deploying his men as riflemen, Sergeant Koizumi instructed them to yell, fire their rifles and effect frequent changes in their positions in an effort to confuse the enemy and lead them to believe that they were facing a superior force. Although subjected to intense enemy fire during this action, Sergeant Koizumi and his men successfully prevented the enemy force, consisting of approximately one hundred and sixty riflemen, from launching their attack for over five hours and enabled reinforcements to be brought up which successfully routed the entire enemy force. Entered military service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

~~4004 Inf Regt~~
BERT N. NISHIMURA, O 398 791, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 2d Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 19 July 1944, near Nuova, Italy. When his platoon was subjected to sniper fire during an attack against a strongly defended enemy machine gun emplacement, Lieutenant Nishimura immediately divided his patrol. Using four of his men as a base of fire, he led the remainder of his patrol in a brilliant outflanking maneuver against the enemy position. His rifle jammed when he opened fire against the enemy machine gun crew, but Lieutenant Nishimura, displaying outstanding courage and presence of mind, quickly threw a hand grenade into the enemy position, killing two of the enemy, wounding two others and causing the remainder of the gun crew to withdraw. Entered military service from Pahala, Kau, Territory of Hawaii.

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- Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross. I
- Award of the Soldier's Medal. II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. III
- Award of the Air Medal with the First and Second Oak Leaf
Clusters thereto IV

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:

~~6484 Inf Regt~~
ITSUMU SASAOKA, 30 101 548, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, *** Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, (Missing in Action), for extraordinary heroism in action. On 22 October 1944, near Belmont, France, Sergeant Sasaoka was assigned as a machine gunner on the last tank of a task force during the execution of a daring thrust through enemy-held terrain in an effort to relieve a friendly unit which had been surrounded and cut off by the enemy. As the task force advanced over a mountain trail, the enemy opened fire from well dug-in positions on both sides of the trail. Although seriously wounded by the first burst of hostile fire, Sergeant Sasaoka, displaying a disdain for personal safety seldom surpassed, clung to his machine gun and directed a hail of bullets into the enemy positions in a last desperate attempt to prevent the other members of the platoon from being subjected to the lethal enemy crossfire. Finally, unable to hang on any longer due to his weakened condition, Sergeant Sasaoka fell from the lurching tank. His magnificent courage and devotion to duty were in large measure responsible for the successful accomplishment of his platoon's mission and for saving the lives of many of his comrades. Next of Kin: Mr. Masaru Sasaoka, (Brother), Waipahu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

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

~~604th MP Bn~~
HANS R. ALBERS, 32 443 202, Private, Corps of Military Police, Company "B", *** Military Police Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 22 December 1944, near Lunoville, France. While on duty as a motorcycle patrolman, Private Albers suddenly saw a motorcycle ahead of him go out of control, spilling its rider and drenching his clothing with gasoline.

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The man was immediately engulfed in flames. Private Albers stopped his machine and, without regard for his own safety, attempted to smother the flames with his own body. Crazy by pain and fear, the man ran away from him. Private Albers caught him, threw him to the ground, and with a blanket and his parka extinguished the flames. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

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

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ZENO F. MCDANIEL, 37 129 970, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Company, *** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action. On 29 August 1944, in the vicinity of Loriol, France, Sergeant McDaniel left the safety of his tank and ran to the aid of the crew of an overturned half-track, who were pinned down under the vehicle. Although he was under the observation of the enemy and exposed to heavy enemy fire, Sergeant McDaniel, using a shovel, dug under the half-track, rescued a seriously wounded soldier, and carried him under fire to a nearby medical aid station. Entered military service from Farmington, Missouri.

IV - AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL WITH THE FIRST AND SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTERS THERETO. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Air Medal with the First and Second Oak Leaf Clusters thereto are awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

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JOSEPH ROSENBERGER, 01 175 565, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 23 February 1944 to 5 June 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Forest Hills, New York.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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

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

100th In. 424th Inf Regt
PAUL E. FRONING, O1 308 210, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "B", *** Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 28 October 1944, near Biffontaine, France. When his company was held up by intense rifle and automatic weapons fire from well prepared enemy positions, Lieutenant Froning mounted a friendly tank and, ordering his company to follow up after the tanks directed their fire by firing the tank's machine gun into numerous enemy positions which he had spotted during a reconnaissance made prior to the attack. He then jumped down from the tank and led his company in an assault against the enemy lines. His men, inspired by the gallant action of their company commander, swiftly closed in on the enemy positions and destroyed a vital sector in the enemy lines. Entered military service from Coldwater, Ohio.

2224th In. Bn
MISAYUKI HIGA, 30 104 248, Private, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 29 August 1944, in the vicinity of Firenze, Italy. When the building which the forward observation party of which he was a member received a direct hit, causing the roof to cave in and burying the forward observer, Private Higa, with complete disregard for his own safety, ran to the aid of the officer and extricated him from the pile of debris. He then administered first aid and later helped evacuate him to an aid station. Private Higa's prompt and gallant action was directly responsible for saving the life of this officer. Entered military service from Wahiawa, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

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:

100th AAA Gun Bn
CHARLES R. BALLANTYNE, 32 608 209, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

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~~10024 AAA Gun Bn~~
ANTHONY J. CORTESE, 32 723 233, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

~~10024 AAA Gun Bn~~
HARRY D. GROSS, 32 608 301, Technical Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from Newark, New Jersey.

~~10024 AAA Gun Bn~~
HENRY HERNANDEZ, 32 724 361, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from New York City, New York.

For heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1944, in Italy. During an intense enemy barrage, these soldiers went to the rescue of three men who had been buried alive and two men who had been rendered unconscious and lay exposed to the enemy shellfire. These soldiers continued their rescue work until they were overcome by gas fumes from the exploded shell. By their courageous action under enemy fire, the lives of five men were saved.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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Award of the Bronze Star Medal.	II
Award of the Purple Heart	III

I -- 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:

~~1004 1st Regt~~
UETARO SANMONJI, 19 081 114, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 28 October 1944, in the vicinity of Belmont, France. During an intense artillery barrage on the regimental command post, when all lines to the attacking battalions had been cut by the shelling, Sergeant Sanmonji, regimental radio chief, attempted to contact the units with the regimental net control radio station. When contact had been established with the battalions, Sergeant Sanmonji ordered them to repair their lines. As he completed his message, a shell hit the radio station, killing him instantly. His heroic action made possible the reestablishment of vital communications during a critical period and enabled the regiment to continue its attack. Next of Kin: Miss Mary Sanmonji, (Sister), 1924 Irving Street, South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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 for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

~~South Medical Ambulance Co.~~

HYLON LUCAS, 35 138 988, Private, Medical Department, *** Medical Ambulance Company, Motor, Separate, on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Vic-Sur-Seille, France. Entered military service from Gary, Indiana.

~~South Medical Ambulance Co.~~

WILLIAM M. McPHEETERS, 35 700 468, Private, Medical Department, *** Medical Ambulance Company, Motor, Separate, on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Vic-Sur-Seille, France. Entered military service from New Albany, Indiana.

~~100th AAA Gun Bn.~~

JAMES G. SCANLON, O 527 054, Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile), on 5 April 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Leominster, Massachusetts.

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~~4th Inf Regt~~
KOJI K. YOSHIMOTO, 39 089 602, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Headquarters Company, *** Infantry Regiment, from 8 July 1944 to 10 July 1944, near Castellina, Italy. Entered military service from Parlier, California.

III- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual for wounds received in action on 10 January 1945, in France:

~~3024 Med Coll Co.~~
BOHIE J. JOHNSTON, 37 503 791, Private First Class, Medical Department, *** Medical Collecting Company. Entered military service from Springfield, Missouri.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

~~42nd Inf Regt~~
WILLIAM ROLL, O1 284 987, Captain, Infantry, 2d Battalion, 33d Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in action on 20 October 1944, near Bruyeres, France. When his company was assigned the mission of occupying an enemy-held ridge, Captain Roll, with utter disregard for his own safety, led his company in repulsing a determined enemy counterattack, driving the enemy back and capturing the company's objective. His inspiring leadership was directly responsible for the accomplishment of a very difficult mission. Entered military service from Lexington, Missouri.

PIERRE STEPHANE PHILLIE AUDET, Sous Lieutenant, French Army, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 25 September 1944, in Southern France. Home address: 6 rue du Plat, Lyon, France.

~~2200th Co. 888 Avn~~
PAUL BRUNSON, O1 050 571, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Company, MIS (Cvhd), for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 1 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

HUBERT BERNARD DE DOMPSURE, Chef d'Escadrons, French Army, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 15 November 1944, in Southern France. Home address: Chateau de Domsure, par Coligny, Ain, France.

~~67th FA Bn~~
MARVIN W. KANTER, O1 178 944, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 33d Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 15 April 1944, near Anzio, Italy. During an intense enemy artillery shelling, the dug-out of a battery agent received a direct hit, critically wounding and partially burying the soldier. Despite the constant peril from further hostile shellfire, Lieutenant Kanter left the comparative safety of his dug-out and, with additional aid, succeeded in extricating the wounded soldier. He then assisted in administering first aid and placing the wounded soldier in an ambulance for evacuation. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

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~~444 Inf Regt~~
* JUNIO MORISATO, 30 105 089, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Company, *** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service from 1 November 1944 to 2 November 1944, in the vicinity of la Crosotte, France. Entered military service from Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

* JACQUES CHARLES GEORGES NEGRIER, Sous Lieutenant, French Army, for meritorious service from 15 August 1944 to 15 November 1944, in Southern France. Home address: La Faye, Atur, Dordogne, France.

~~07th AAA Gun Bn~~
* MICHAEL NOVAK, 31 016 862, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Anti-aircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1944, near Cassino, Italy. While Sergeant Novak was engaged in the task of recovering a prime mover that had accidentally been forced off the road by a tank, the road was brought under heavy artillery fire, which resulted in severe casualties to the units in the immediate vicinity. With complete disregard for his own safety and in spite of shell fragment wounds on his hand, Sergeant Novak skillfully guided the vehicle to safety and assisted in the evacuation of a seriously wounded man. Entered military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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

I -- 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:

~~6424 Inf. Regt.~~
SABURO TANAMACHI, 38 562 665, Private, Infantry, Company "E", *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 29 October 1944, in the vicinity of Biffontaine, France. During a fierce enemy counterattack, Private Tanamachi, acting squad leader, crept forward, in the face of four enemy machine guns and a dozen riflemen to give aid to a wounded comrade. As he reached the wounded soldier and was about to give him first aid, Private Tanamachi was fatally wounded. Roused by the courageous example of their leader, his squad charged forward and, assisted by the remainder of the platoon, overwhelmed the attacking enemy force. Private Tanamachi's display of heroism reflects the finest traditions of the Army of the United States. Next of Kin: Mrs. Asao Tanamachi, (Mother), Route #4, Box 120-A, San Benito, Texas.

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 individual:

~~6774 M. Det.~~
MICHAEL J. STAVOLA, 32 395 467, Private, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944, in the vicinity of Drummont, France. When an LST loaded with large quantities of gasoline and ammunition was hit by a radio controlled bomb a terrific conflagration ensued. Exploding projectiles threw shell fragments and debris in all directions causing a grave hazard to all aboard and on the beach close to the burning vessel. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private Stavola worked under these hazardous conditions for a period of four hours arranging for the systematic evacuation of thirty seriously wounded casualties from the beach area. His devotion to duty in the face of extreme danger reflects the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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

100th AAA Gun Bn

SANTOS J. DELIZ, 32 719 973, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "C", *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

100th AAA Gun Bn

JOHN MANNA, 32 061 552, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "C", *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

100th AAA Gun Bn

WALTER C. J. WELLS, 32 608 390, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion (Mobile). Entered military service from Paterson, New Jersey

For heroic achievement in action on 5 April 1944, in Italy. During an intense artillery barrage these soldiers went to the rescue of five men who had been buried alive by an artillery shell burst and four others who had been overcome by fumes from the exploded shell while attempting to effect their rescue. By their courageous action under shell fire the lives of nine men were saved.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

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MARLIN DEES, 6 389 840, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, near Fugot Ville, France. While his battalion was supporting the drive on Toulon, France, Technician Fifth Grade Dees, with complete disregard for his own safety, remained at his post during an intense enemy artillery barrage in order to maintain radio contact between his battalion's Fire Direction Center and the observation plane which was adjusting the fire of the battalion. His heroic achievement contributed much toward the success of his unit in the operation for the capture of Toulon, France. Entered military service from Wilmington, North Carolina.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
BENJAMIN R. HENDERSON, 35 797 804, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, *** Medical Ambulance Company, Motor, Separate, for meritorious service on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Moyenvic, France. Entered military service from Paris, Kentucky.

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HENRY E. KARLGAARD, 36 203 828, Private First Class, Signal Corps, *** Signal Photographic Company, for heroic achievement in action, on 20 November 1944, near Belfort, France. Private First Class Karlgaard voluntarily accompanied two photographers on a combat mission. When one of the team was wounded by enemy sniper fire, Private First Class Karlgaard, with complete disregard for his own safety, helped evacuate the wounded man to an aid station; through intense enemy fire. Entered military service from Sarona, Wisconsin.

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FRANK O. KIRBY, 34 149 881, Corporal, Transportation Corps, *** Amphibian Truck Company, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, near Ste Maxime, France. When his amphibious DUKW, which was loaded with three tons of TNT, was caught and held immobile by an underwater obstacle fifty yards off shore, Corporal Kirby, although unable to swim, dived overboard and, by disengaging the underwater obstacle, enabled the vehicle to proceed to the beach. His heroic action, carried out under enemy fire, prevented the possible loss of the lives of his comrades and much valuable equipment. Entered military service from Memphis, Tennessee.

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OSCAR LYON, 34 712 670, Private First Class, Medical Department, *** Medical Ambulance Company, Motor, Separate, for meritorious service on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Royevic, Franco. Entered military service from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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FREDERICK S. SCHWINE, O 452 409, Captain, Infantry, *** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 8 June 1944, in the vicinity of Tarquinia, Italy. When his company was held up by intense fire from an enemy-held ridge, Captain Schwinn immediately ordered one platoon of tanks to hold a base of fire, while he led the other platoon in an attack against the left flank of the enemy positions. This skillful maneuver took the enemy completely by surprise. After a fierce two-hour fire-fight, the entire hostile force consisting of sixty men was completely destroyed. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

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GUY B. WILDER, O 267 259, Major, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 1 February 1944, near Acquafondata, Italy. When one of the batteries of his battalion was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, Major Wilder left his position of comparative safety to supervise the rapid displacement of the men and equipment of the unit. His display of leadership and disregard for personal safety won him the respect and confidence of the men of his battalion. Entered military service from Andalusia, Alabama.

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Award of the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal I
Award of the Air Medal II

I -- 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 individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

AWARD OF THE SIXTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

6th FA Group

JAMES A. ROMING, O 465 394; Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, *** Field Artillery Group, on 29 December 1944, near Lauterbourg, France. Major Roming volunteered to observe for enemy counter battery fire during the time that a field artillery battery of his Group would be firing. Taking off from a forward air strip without the aid of any lighting devices he was soon over the target area. Despite repeated warnings that enemy aircraft were operating in his immediate vicinity, Major Roming remained in the air until the battery had successfully completed its mission. Entered military service from Childress, Texas.

AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

30th FA Bn

CHARLES G. CHILTON, O1 183 037; First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 19 August 1944 to 17 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Boise, Idaho.

60th Arm FA Bn

BENJAMIN P. HAWKINS, O1 173 276, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 November 1944 to 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

AWARD OF THE THIRD AND FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTERS

57th FA Bn

JAMES P. FEENAN, O1 691 870, Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 March 1944 to 12 May 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Trenton, New Jersey.

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AWARD OF THE THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

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KELLY F. DONALDSON, O1 183 503, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 November 1944 to 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Grove, Texas.

AWARD OF THE SECOND AND THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTERS

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
HERBERT R. ROBERTS, O 524 162, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 18 May 1944 to 21 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

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LAVERONE R. WARE, O1 183 784, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 25 May 1944 to 7 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

II - 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:

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OMER T. CRABB, 18 033 179, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 15 September 1944 to 13 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Olney, Texas.

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Award of the First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star.	I
Award of the Silver Star.	II
Commendation of Unit.	III

I -- AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR. 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 Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

~~100th~~ ~~DAVID~~ ~~NOVACK~~, ~~OF~~ ~~298~~ ~~647~~, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company "A", *** Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action on 22 October 1944, near Belmont, France. While leading a platoon of five tanks in an effort to establish contact with friendly forces believed to have been encircled by the enemy, Lieutenant Novack, who was riding the lead tank, encountered intense enemy small arms fire from well dug-in positions on both sides of the trail. Although wounded by the initial burst of hostile fire, he courageously remained on top of the tank, spraying the enemy emplacements with his BAR, thus giving his men protective fire while they reloaded their weapons. Lieutenant Novack's inspiring leadership and fearless determination contributed immeasurably to the subsequent establishment of contact with the isolated force. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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 individual:

~~680th~~ ~~DAVE~~ ~~E.~~ ~~HUFFMON~~, 18 067 607, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion; for gallantry in action on 6 December 1944, at Mulhouse, Alsace, France. At about 1345 hours, 6 December 1944, during an intense enemy artillery barrage, Corporal Huffmon voluntarily left his foxhole to help extinguish an ammunition powder dump fire that had received a direct hit from an enemy shell. Upon arriving at the scene of the fire, Corporal Huffmon observed a tractor, prime mover, M4, standing within five yards of the flames. Despite the danger of exploding shells which were falling in the area all about him, Corporal Huffmon quickly mounted the tractor and drove it to a place of safety. Entered military service from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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III- COMMENDATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following unit is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct and outstanding devotion to duty:

COMPANY D, 111TH MEDICAL BATTALION, for exceptionally meritorious conduct and outstanding devotion to duty in Italy and France from 9 September 1943 to 9 September 1944. Operating a clearing station in support of the 36th Infantry Division and attached units, Company D, 111th Medical Battalion landed on the beach at Paestum, Italy, on D day. While subjected to enemy artillery, mortar fire, and aerial bombardment, the members of the company set up a clearing station in Paestum, Italy, where, displaying unusual tenacity and fortitude, they treated and evacuated the wounded. This work lasted for several days and nights while the situation on the beachhead was critical. Their excellent work here keynoted the type of services they rendered the Division throughout the Italian Campaign despite the necessity of operating under strict blackout conditions and under enemy artillery fire. On 15 August 1944, Company D, 111th Medical Battalion landed with the combat troops on the beaches of Southern France. During the subsequent rapid advance of the Allied Forces through Southern France, this unit demonstrated its ability to render continuous, close support to the combat troops. The courage, efficiency and unselfish devotion to duty displayed by members of Company D, 111th Medical Battalion during this period resulted in the saving of many lives and the alleviation of much suffering, and reflect the highest traditions of the Medical Corps of the United States Army.

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- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. I
- Award of the Seventh Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal. II
- Battle Honors - Citation of Unit. III

I -- 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 for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

84 Auxiliary Surgical Group

V SIDNEY C. EDMUNDS, 34 O91 847, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, *** Auxiliary Surgical Group, on 15 August 1944, near St. Tropez, France. Entered military service from Lincolnton, Georgia. *

II - AWARD OF THE SEVENTH 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 Seventh 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:

8th FA Group

JAMES A. ROMING, O 465 394, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters; *** Field Artillery Group, from 20 November 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Childress, Texas.

III- BATTLE HONORS-- CITATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the following named organization is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action:

THE 1ST BATTALION, 50TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action during the period 6 September 1944 to 7 September 1944, at Besançon, France. Assigned the mission of reducing the giant Citadelle fortress, key defense bastion of Besançon, and clearing the enemy from the vital southern industrial section of that important road net center, the 1st Battalion jumped off on a night frontal attack. Pushing forward aggressively against dogged German resistance, the 1st Battalion climbed slippery hills through pouring rain under murderous grazing machine gun, machine pistol, mortar and flak wagon fire to assault and destroy strong enemy forces entrenched in three rock-walled, supposedly impregnable forts situated on high ground commanding all approaches to the bottlenecked Doubs River loop-section of the city.

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One by one the battalion reduced two lesser forts and finally the mighty Citadelle, employing skillful flanking maneuvers, and masterfully coordinating the heavy fires of infantry supporting weapons with those of attached armor and artillery. Although it had moved hundreds of miles and fought two major engagements during the preceding twenty-two days and although it had been moving thirty-six hours without rest prior to launching the twenty-two hour attack, the 1st Battalion, with aggressive, inspired leadership and outstanding individual heroism, overcame all opposition and seized its objectives. A fresh, reinforced enemy battalion was wiped out, fifty Germans killed, seventy wounded, three hundred and twenty-eight enlisted men and eight officers captured, and vast quantities of German materiel, including enough mortars, machine guns, rifles and pistols to equip a battalion were seized or destroyed during the brilliant action. The 1st Battalion's spectacular achievement frustrated the German intention to hold the Citadelle until 15 September, pierced the heart of the enemy's defenses of Besancon, crumbling their entire system of mutually supporting forts, materially assisted the 3d Infantry Division in blocking a vital escape route to German units trapped to the west and speeded pursuit of remnants of the battered Nineteenth German Army fleeing to the Belfort Gap. The heroic performance of the officers and men of the 1st Battalion reflects the finest traditions of the Army of the United States.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

THE 72D SIGNAL COMPANY, SPECIAL, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 18 August 1944 to 18 October 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLACQUE

THE SEVENTH SIGNAL DEPOZ COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period of 15 August 1944 to 15 October 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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7 February 1945

AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLaque

THE 1644D SIGNAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 15 August 1944 to 15 October 1944, in France.

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AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLACQUE


THE 74TH SIGNAL COMPANY, SPECIAL, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 15 August 1944 to 31 October 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATON:

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AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE IS-1 PLACHE

THE 280TH SIGNAL OPERATION COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period of 15 August 1944 to 15 October 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished-Service Cross	I
Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross	II
Award of the Purple Heart	III

I -- 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:

~~60th Tank~~
FORREST GABLE, 55 571 764, Sergeant, Armored Force, Company "A", 43rd Tank Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 28 November 1944, near Parr, France. While advancing into the town of Parr, France, through intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant Gable's tank was hit twice by enemy bazooka fire which disabled the vehicle and injured three members of the crew. Sergeant Gable immediately directed artillery fire against the hostile position, thereby enabling the wounded men to escape. When his 75 millimeter ammunition became exhausted, he crawled to the rear of the tank and, despite intense automatic weapons fire, continued to fire with his 50 caliber machine gun. Disdaining retreat, he held his position until killed by enemy fire. By his extraordinary heroism and unselfish sacrifice, Sergeant Gable enabled his three wounded comrades to escape and effected the successful withdrawal of the remainder of his platoon. Next of Kin: Mrs Lola E. Gable, (Mother), Rural Route Number 2, Losantville, Indiana.

II - 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:

~~60th Inf~~
WILLIAM F. DEAN, O15 455, Brigadier General, United States Army, for extraordinary heroism in action on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Eichenborn, France. Shortly after the assault on Eichenborn had begun, General Dean, finding the infantry immobilized by a withering artillery barrage, and tanks and tank destroyers halted because of the demolition of an overpass leading into the town, took immediate and decisive measures. Leading the tank and tank destroyer commanders on a foot reconnaissance to determine the most favorable plan of approach, he discovered an alternate route into the town. General Dean then personally directed the movements of the armor, while on foot and exposed to the devastating fire.

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After deploying these weapons and directing their fire on the principal enemy positions, he personally led an infantry platoon through one concentration of artillery fire after another, and succeeded in destroying the opposing enemy batteries. By his skillful maneuvering, outstanding leadership and utter disregard for personal safety, General Dean contributed immeasurably to the success of the attack. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

III- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September, 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual for wounds received in action on 17 November 1944, in France:

40th CA Graves Reg. Co.

LLOYD D. ROBERTS, 39 304 879, Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps,
*** Quartermaster Graves Registration Company. Entered military service from Redmond, Oregon.

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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal II

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 individuals:

~~30th Inf Reg~~
MADISON D. GARDNER, O2 055 277, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "A", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. At 0800 hours on 4 November 1944, near Saucray, France, when his platoon of thirteen men encountered heavy fire from two German machine guns and other automatic weapons seventy-five yards to their front, Lieutenant Gardner, leading his under-strength platoon in an assault, ran approximately seventy-five yards through intense machine gun fire and penetrated into the center of the hostile position. Firing approximately one hundred and twenty-five rounds with his carbine, he killed one machine gunner, wounded another and took four prisoners. His accurate fire on a second enemy position wounded one German and drove the rest to cover inside a house. Delivering heavy carbine fire on the enemy elements in foxholes around the house, Lieutenant Gardner forced four to surrender. Then, seizing an enemy grenade launcher, he advanced alone, alternately running and crawling through intense hostile fire toward the house. After firing three bazooka rockets at the enemy-held building, he dashed forward alone, automatic in hand, to capture three more Germans. Resistance inside the house having ceased, Lieutenant Gardner advanced into a village and made a lone hand grenade assault on a house held by a German machine gun crew. As three Germans rushed out of the house, Lieutenant Gardner shot and killed two, capturing the third. In a series of intrepid assaults, Lieutenant Gardner had smashed four German strongpoints and killed, wounded or captured seventeen of the enemy. Entered military service from Council Bluffs, Iowa.

~~30th Inf Reg~~
WALTER E. REYNOLDS, 38 152 681, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Cannon Company, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. At 0700 hours on 21 August 1944, during an attack on Aix-en-Provence, France, Sergeant Reynolds braved anti-tank, machine gun and small arms fire from a German roadblock to extricate a hard-pressed rifle company from an untenable position. When the infantry company to which his platoon of 75 millimeter self-propelled howitzers was attached encountered withering anti-tank and automatic weapons fire which caused eighteen casualties, Sergeant Reynolds climbed on top of his vehicle and directed 50 caliber

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machine gun fire against the enemy. Although the Germans shifted their fire from the infantry to Sergeant Reynolds and his M-8 self-propelled howitzer, he continued to engage the foe, knocking out the anti-tank gun and killing both its two-man crew and a nearby German officer. Disregarding bullets which struck the M-8 turret, nicked the machine gun he was firing and wounded the gun corporal standing beside him, Sergeant Reynolds courageously remained at his post to engage and destroy the enemy machine gun; its gunner and assistant gunner. His machine gun ammunition spent, and his 75 millimeter gunner a casualty, Sergeant Reynolds assumed a kneeling position on top of the turret and shouted fire orders to the two other M-8s in his platoon, which meanwhile had approached to within killing distance. He directed deadly howitzer fire against the prime mover ammunition carrier of the German anti-tank gun, setting it ablaze, then turned his attention to an enemy SP "88", forcing it to withdraw. As the enemy infantry retreated from the roadblock, Sergeant Reynolds directed additional fire on the fleeing Germans, killing six and wounding others. His outstanding heroism resulted in killing at least eleven of the enemy, smashing a formidable roadblock and enabling the infantry to seize Aix-en-Provence. Entered military service from Seminole, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF THE FIRST 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 First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

86th FA Bn

JOSEPH H. MINDRUM, O 454 875, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 12 September 1944 to 8 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

88th Army FA Bn

CHARLES E. TRYON, O1 168 959, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "E", *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 4 April 1944 to 20 August 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Cos Cob, Connecticut.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross II
Award of the French Star Medal III

~~I -- 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:

~~1ST LT. LAUS, O 353 944, First Lieutenant, Chemical Warfare Service Company "C", 488th Chemical Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 29 August 1944, near Branceon, France. When his company's defensive position was attacked by a superior enemy force, Lieutenant Laus climbed, through intense machine gun fire, to an exposed position from which he directed effective mortar fire on the enemy troops, temporarily halting their advance. Taking advantage of this situation, Lieutenant Laus secured a light machine gun and crawled back to his observation post where, despite intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire, he succeeded in destroying twenty of the hostile force. When enemy fire finally hit his observation post causing a jam in the gun, Lieutenant Laus, displaying outstanding bravery, secured a rifle and inflicted additional casualties among the advancing enemy. Ordered by the Force Commander to withdraw along a road which was under heavy machine gun fire, Lieutenant Laus volunteered to make the initial advance to determine the safety of the road. After advancing about two hundred yards he was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Lieutenant Laus' heroic sacrifice and courageous leadership remain as a lasting inspiration to his men and reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Next of Kin: Mrs. Andre J. Laus, (Wife), 101 Washington Street, Newton 58, Massachusetts.~~

~~II -- 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 LT. LANDERS, JR., O 467 205, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", 488th Field Artillery Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Sobalbach, Lorraine, France. Four German "Flak" tanks entered a draw two hundred yards in front of Company "G's" defensive position where Lieutenant Landers was operating an artillery observation~~

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post. Advancing rapidly and firing their 89's pointblank at his position, they killed three men and seriously wounded eleven others, including Lieutenant Landers' radio operator. Acting quickly, Lieutenant Landers crawled to his radio operator's foxhole and retrieved the limped radio. Then, standing exposed in his foxhole, he directed his own batteries to lay down a barrage seventy-five yards from his position, forcing the tanks to withdraw. Lieutenant Landers' decisive action at a crucial moment and his outstanding heroism in the face of great danger were an inspiration to all, and exemplify the finest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Stockton, Missouri.

III- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 10 September 1945, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

570th Medical Collecting Co

JOHN J. MANISCALCO, SS 622 100, Private, Medical Department, 570th Medical Collecting Company, for heroic achievement in action on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Voivre, France. During an intense enemy shelling directed against a pontoon bridge site, Private Maniscalco left his sheltered position and led his litter squad to the bridge to evacuate the casualties. Despite the intensity of the artillery barrage, Private Maniscalco successfully evacuated one of the wounded men to a place of safety. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General PATON:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, CSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Award of the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal I
Award of the Air Medal II

AWARD OF THE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 800-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

VERNON R. PARRISH, 16 041 050, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 27 September 1944 to 10 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Benton, Illinois.

WILLIAM A. STORMS, 13 031 429, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 26 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Fenbrook, Pennsylvania.

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

JOHN B. BIANCHARD, 12 059 144, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 14 September 1944 to 16 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Smyrna, New York.

JAMES R. BRYCE, 16 083 906, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 14 September 1944 to 4 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bonita, Texas.

IRVING A. BURGA, 13 043 642, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 11 September 1944 to 1 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

RUSSELL O. HUBBART, 16 010 627, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 19 October 1944 to 16 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Taylorville, Illinois.

LESTER R. SLON, 18 063 804, Master Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Liaison Squadron, from 13 September 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Deport, Texas.

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II - 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:

CHARLES S. McCALMERT, O1 179 526, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, Liaison Squadron, from 2 August 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Memphis, Missouri.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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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 by the Army Commander to the following individual:

GARLIE H. CONNER, O1 693 520, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters 3d Battalion, 43d Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. On 24 January 1945, at 0800 hours, near Soussen, France, Lieutenant Conner ran four hundred yards through the impact area of an intense concentration of enemy artillery fire to direct friendly artillery on a force of six Panzer VI tanks and tank destroyers, followed by six hundred fanatical German infantrymen, which was assaulting in full fury the spearhead position held by his Battalion. Unreeling a spool of telephone wire, Lieutenant Conner disregarded shells which exploded twenty-five yards from him, tearing branches from the trees in his path, and plunged in a shallow ditch thirty yards beyond the position of his foremost company. Although the ditch provided inadequate protection from the heavy automatic fire of the advancing enemy infantry, he calmly directed round after round of artillery on the foe from his prone position, hurling them back to the shelter of a ditch. For three hours he remained at his CP despite wave after wave of German infantry, which surged forward to within five yards of his position. As the last, all-out German assault swept forward, he ordered his artillery to concentrate on his own position, resolved to die if necessary to halt the enemy. Friendly shells exploded within five yards of him, blanketing his position, wounding his one assistant. Yet Lieutenant Conner continued to direct artillery fire on the assault elements swarming around him until the German attack was shattered and broken. By his exemplary heroism, he killed approximately fifty and wounded an estimated one hundred Germans, discontinued the powerful enemy assault and prevented heavy casualties in his Battalion. Entered military service from Lenoir, Kentucky.

By command of Lieutenant General FATOR:

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Award of the Silver Star	I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal	II
Award of the Purple Heart	III

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 individual:

40th Engr. Combat Bn

WILLIAM I. MOORE, 34 016 413, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, *** Engineer Combat Battalion, for gallantry in action on 22 December 1943, in the vicinity of Mignano, Italy. When a tractor, property of another unit, drew concentrated and accurate enemy artillery fire on the work site of Company "A" of his battalion, endangering the lives of those in the area, Sergeant Moore, completely disregarding his own safety, mounted the tractor and, with the aid of the driver, proceeded to move it from the area. Enemy artillery followed the course of the tractor for a distance of four hundred yards down the road. At this point Sergeant Moore was seriously wounded by shell fragments. His heroic action and presence of mind enabled work on the bridge site to be continued without unnecessary interruption, and prevented almost certain serious damage to a valuable piece of equipment. Entered military service from Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

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

164th Ck Truck Co

WILLIAM E. DOAK, 38 010 996, Technical Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps, *** Quartermaster Truck Company, from 18 August 1944 to 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Farmington, New Mexico.

31st Signal Info & Monitoring Co.

HUBERT J. GINDER, 15 099 077, Master Sergeant, Signal Corps, *** Signal Information and Monitoring Company, from 22 January 1944 to 5 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Logansport, Indiana.

607th FA Bn

JAMES V. HAMILTON, 6 795 014, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 22 January 1944 to 17 October 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Farmerville, Louisiana.

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024 AAA Gun Bn
* HARRY J. HUGHES, 36 059 359, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, from 1 April 1944 to 6 October 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from East St. Louis, Illinois.

14th Signal Co. Special

* KENNETH C. JONES, 6 295 920, Master Sergeant, (then Technical Sergeant), Signal Corps, *** Signal Company, Special, from 1 January 1944 to 15 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Stanton, Texas.

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* WALTER B. FCTER, 0 568 961, Major, (then Captain), Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, from 24 May 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Farmville, Virginia.

241st FA Bn

* MAURICE W. TAQUINO, 34 072 299, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 30 November 1943 to 14 June 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

7th AA Group

* JOSEPH R. WILSON, ~~34-136-263~~ *34-136-263 (Serial # changed by letter 50-3/9/45)*, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Group, from 1 July 1943 to 11 June 1944, in Africa and Italy. Entered military service from Oxford, Mississippi.

III- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual for wounds received in action on 9 January 1945, in France:

274th Eng. Co.

* KIRCSY D. PYBURN, 34 983 847, Private, Corps of Engineers, *** Engineer Company. Entered military service from Guild, Tennessee.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Soldier's Medal II

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 individuals:

~~411th Inf. Regt.~~

EDWARD B. HOLT, 38 603 810, Private, Infantry, Company "H", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 25 November 1944, in Maisongoutte, France. During an intense enemy artillery concentration which was rapidly destroying the regimental command post and had inflicted numerous casualties, Private Holt, on his own initiative, organized and led a four-man patrol in search of the enemy gun position. Advancing two and one half miles through the sporadic enemy shell fire, Private Holt spotted the hostile gun emplacement and, leaving his three comrades in a position of comparative safety, proceeded alone and unperceived by the enemy gun crew to a point of observation close to the gun position. He located the gun emplacement by map coordinates and sent this information by one of his messengers to the regimental command post. Although fully aware that he was exposing himself to almost inevitable death if he remained within bursting radius of the forthcoming artillery concentration, Private Holt remained at his observation post to insure the accuracy of the friendly artillery fire. By his extraordinary heroism and utter disregard for personal safety, Private Holt effected the destruction of the enemy gun position and prevented the complete destruction of the regimental command post. Entered military service from Silcam Springs, Arkansas.

~~316th Inf. Regt.~~

DANIEL W. PLEAM, JR., 01 304 265, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "E", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 23 August 1944, near Limay, France. During an intense enemy counterattack supported by a squadron of M1 190's, the unit on the left of the 3d Platoon, Company "E", was forced to withdraw, leaving the platoon in a precarious forward position. Under direct enemy fire from three sides, Lieutenant Pleam continually exposed himself in maneuvering elements of his platoon to the most advantageous position to repel the attack. When an enemy group penetrated the platoon's perimeter, dug in, and opened fire with devastating results, Lieutenant Pleam, armed with a machine pistol, and with utter disregard for his own safety, led a combat group of four men across six hundred yards of open terrain, swept by withering enemy automatic weapons fire, to a position from which he

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delivered flanking fire on the enemy group. Two of the enemy were killed, five taken prisoner and the remainder of the group retreated in disorder. The inspiring leadership and extraordinary heroism displayed by Lieutenant Pleam were instrumental in preventing the withdrawal of his company and reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Birdsboro, Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF THE SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

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ALEXANDER BURINSKI, JR., 32 076 470, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, Battery "B", *** Antiaircraft Artillery Gun Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 18 January 1945, at Chornai, France. While on guard, Private First Class Burinski saw a fire break out in a nearby winterized pup tent. Firing his rifle to alert the Battery, Private First Class Burinski then ran to the tent and found a comrade trapped in his sleeping bag. With great courage and presence of mind, Private First Class Burinski knocked the front of the tent down and made his way through the intense heat to the trapped soldier. Carrying him to a place of safety, he ripped the burning sleeping bag from the soldier's body. Private First Class Burinski's heroic action and devotion to duty saved the life of his comrade. Entered military service from Wilmington, Delaware.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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Award of the Silver Star.	I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.	II
Award of the Air Medal.	III

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 individual:

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JOHN F. McCULLOUGH, 31 187 748, Private First Class, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action. At about 1845 hours, 6 December 1944, at Mulhouse Alsace, France, during an intense enemy artillery barrage, Private First Class McCullough voluntarily left his foxhole to help extinguish an ammunition dump fire that had resulted from a direct hit from an enemy shell. Upon arriving at the scene of the fire, Private First Class McCullough observed a seven-ton pack truck standing within five yards of the flames. Despite the danger of exploding shells which were falling in the area all about him, Private First Class McCullough quickly mounted the truck and drove it to a place of safety. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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

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HARVEY G. FERGUSON, 20 424 384, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, Company "A", *** Signal Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in Southern France. Entered military service from Lexington, Mississippi.

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OWEN R. HOWDESHELL, 35 351 499, Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 30 October 1943 to 20 November 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Hammond, Indiana.

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GEORGE A. KILLIAN, 34 090 872, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 22 January 1944 to 22 October 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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THOMAS W. BARNES, 01 542 169, First Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, *** Medical

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Battalion, from 24 October 1944 to 8 January 1945, in France.
Entered military service from Grass Valley, California.

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MELLO F. PARISI, 32 118 980, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Service Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 31 October 1945 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

III- ~~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:

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ROBERT L. ADLER, OI 165 810, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters *** Field Artillery Group, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight. On 29 December 1944, near Lauterbourg, France, Captain Adler volunteered to observe for enemy counter battery fire during the time that a field artillery battery of his Group would be firing. Taking off from a forward air strip without the aid of any lighting devices, he was soon over the target area. Despite repeated warnings that enemy aircraft were operating in his immediate vicinity, Captain Adler remained in the air until the battery had successfully completed its mission. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
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I -- 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 for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

50th Medical Bn.

JULIUS G. ADAMS, O 320 237, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Medical Corps, *** Medical Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Enumclaw, Washington.

24 Tactical Air Comm. Sq.

KENNETH C. REID, 19 071 561, Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Tactical Air Communications Squadron, from 15 August 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Helena, Montana.

300th Sq Co MIS (OVHD)

ELLIS L. SPACKMAN, O 935 853, First Lieutenant, Air Corps, *** Headquarters Company MIS (OVHD), from 27 July 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from San Bernardino, California.

II - BATTLE HONORS - CITATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the following named organization is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action:

THE 1ST BATTALION, 15TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance in combat. On 27 August 1944, the 1st Battalion, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Michael Faulick, approached the town of Montelimar, France, by shuttle and forced march, to come to grips with the major part of the German 388th Infantry Division and elements of four or five other enemy divisions. Marching and fighting in unbearable heat, weary from the twelve days of strenuous offensive combat which followed the Riviera landings, the 1st Battalion drove relentlessly forward, compressing the numerically superior hostile force into an ever smaller space. Caught in the Montelimar-Orange-Nyon triangle, its left flank pinned against the Rhone River and its escape routes to the north and northeast dominated by other units of the Seventh Army, the German force resorted to violent and incessant counterattacks to break through the Allied cordon that was suffocating it. Constricting the major part of the enemy force within the immediate vicinity

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of Montelimar, the 1st Battalion drove forward in three days of continuous battle and smashed every German counterattack, including an assault by an entire enemy regiment. Focusing the enemy force with concentrations of artillery and mortar fire, withstanding frenzied German efforts to break out from the trap, the 1st Battalion penetrated into Montelimar and completed the annihilation of the German force. During this action the battalion took eight hundred and four prisoners, killed and wounded four hundred and eighty-five others, captured or destroyed at least five hundred vehicles and an estimated one thousand horses. Inflicting the most disastrous blow of the Southern France Campaign on the German Nineteenth Army, the 1st Battalion was mainly responsible for destroying German resistance south of the Drome and east of the Rhone Rivers and for annihilating a major portion of the mechanized and motorized equipment available to the enemy.

By command of Lieutenant General F. TCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque II

I -- 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 for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

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DONALD E. CURRIER, O 245 107, Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, from 19 August 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Jenham, Massachusetts.

1st Signal Bn
WILLARD A. FORD, 6 985 619, Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Signal Corps, Company "A", *** Signal Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in Southern France. Entered military service from Greenville, Ohio.

7th Medical Depot
AUGUSTUS J. GUMENTER, O 422 216, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Medical Administrative Corps, *** Medical Depot Company, from 1 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

370th Eng Bn. (Sep)
WILLIAM F. MILLER, O1 106 962, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Company "B", *** Engineer Battalion (Separate), from 1 October 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Wooster, Ohio.

34th AAA Brigade
JOHN J. PAGLIARO, 32 039 691, First Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, from May 1944 to December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Oswego, New York.

34th AAA Brigade
GEORGE R. SMITH, 32 037 904, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Battery, *** Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, from March 1944 to December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Sponcorport, New York.

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

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THE 3D ORDNANCE MEDIUM MAINTENANCE COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 11 July 1944 to 15 November 1944, in Italy and France.

THE 7TH MEDICAL DEPT COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 16 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 10TH FIELD HOSPITAL, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks from 16 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 11TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL, SEMIMOBILE, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks from 16 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 52D MEDICAL BATTALION (HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, WITH THE 376TH, 377TH AND 378TH MEDICAL COLLECTING COMPANIES, AND THE 682D MEDICAL CLEARING COMPANY), for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 56TH MEDICAL BATTALION (HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, WITH THE 886TH, 886TH AND 887TH MEDICAL COLLECTING COMPANIES, AND THE 891ST MEDICAL CLEARING COMPANY), for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 343D ENGINEER GENERAL SERVICE REGIMENT, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR W. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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Adjutant General.

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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque II

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 individuals:

~~7th Inf Regt~~

MICHAEL A. ERNST, 32 904 896, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. At 0800 hours on 22 October 1944, near Domfaing, France, Sergeant Ernst led a six-man rifle squad, supported by a tank and tank destroyer, in occupying and holding a vital road junction against successive enemy attacks in platoon strength. Advancing beyond his roadblock alone, Sergeant Ernst encountered nine of the enemy and forced their surrender. Then, in the company of another member of his squad, Sergeant Ernst went into the woods in search of more Germans. Firing on a group of three enemy soldiers, he captured one and forced the others to withdraw. As he was interrogating his prisoner, German force of about fifteen men fired on him from inside the woods, wounding his comrade. Sergeant Ernst ordered the captured German to attend to his companion, while he engaged the enemy with sub-machine gun fire. A rifle grenade exploded within a yard of him, inflicting multiple wounds on his right leg, arm and side and knocking him unconscious. Recovering a moment later, Sergeant Ernst saw that the enemy had closed in to within fifty yards and was concentrating small arms fire on his position. As his sub-machine gun was practically out of ammunition, he seized a carbine from his wounded comrade and fought off the fifteen Germans, steadily driving them back into the woods. Then, dragging his wounded comrade back through intense machine gun crossfire, to the road block, he took up a position beside a tank to direct fire on two enemy machine guns one hundred yards distant. When both the tank officer and assistant driver were wounded by this withering enemy fire, Sergeant Ernst remained in his exposed position for over an hour, directing the fire-fight. Only when all enemy fire had been silenced did Sergeant Ernst consent to be evacuated. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

~~7th Inf Regt~~

MICHAEL J. SMERILLO, 6 663 412, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "H", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 15 September 1944, near Los Aynans, Franco. When the rifle company to which his machine gun section was attached came under fire from two hill positions one hundred

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and fifty yards to his left front, Sergeant Smerillo saw forward fifty yards through a hail of bullets carrying his heavy machine gun tripod. Selecting an open firing position, he waited until his assistant gunner arrived with the machine gun barrel, then set up the weapon and engaged one of the three enemy machine guns. In a twenty-minute fight, while streams of automatic fire were directed at him and rifle grenades exploded fifteen yards from him, he knocked out the weapon and killed its three-man crew. Finding that observation of the two remaining machine guns was inadequate, Sergeant Smerillo singlehandedly dragged his ninety-five pound weapon forward to a new and more exposed position. Bullets came so close that the field jacket which he carried on his belt was perforated. Despite this heavy fire, Sergeant Smerillo traversed his machine gun from one enemy weapon to the other. Although he was the only man in the entire company who engaged the enemy, he wounded four members of the two hostile machine gun crews, forced a fifth to surrender, and compelled the others to withdraw. Driving the Germans from the high ground in an hour-long fight, Sergeant Smerillo enabled the rifle company to take its objective and seize the important communications center of Vouhenans, France, unopposed. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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

THE 9TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL, for outstanding devotion to duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks from 28 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 66TH ORDNANCE AMMUNITION COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 1 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSO,
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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal II

I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 100-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

~~1st Infantry Regiment~~

JOHN M. HALL, IC 156 896, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "IC", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 20 August 1944, near Allex, France. While leading his squad, under cover of darkness, in an attack on an enemy roadblock, Sergeant Hall advanced toward a house which was occupied by enemy troops. As the squad approached the house, it was subjected to intense fire from two machine guns which were located within the building. Immediately dispersing his squad, Sergeant Hall worked around to the right flank and moved to the rear of the house. Keeping close to the wall, he crept to the front of the building and, signaling to his men to cease firing, hurled three grenades through a window, destroying three enemy gunners and causing the remainder to withdraw in confusion. By his courageous leadership and extraordinary heroism, Sergeant Hall eliminated a strong enemy roadblock and enabled his battalion to seize its objective. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

~~788 Tank Destroyer Bn~~

DUANE D. MAC GREGOR, 35 135 546, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 11 September 1944, in Neufchateau, France. While on a reconnaissance mission, Technician Fourth Grade Mac Gregor and an officer of his company were held up by machine gun fire from an enemy-held roadblock guarding the southwestern approach to Neufchateau. Realizing that the success of the regimental attack might depend upon the elimination of this strongpoint, Technician Fourth Grade MacGregor worked his way across almost fifty yards of open terrain swept by withering machine gun and small arms fire to a point overlooking the position. Armed only with a carbine, he rushed forward to the entrance of the emplacement, killed the enemy machine gun crew and captured twelve supporting riflemen. As a result of his outstanding heroism, Technician Fourth Grade MacGregor's company was able to advance and the reconnaissance for tank destroyer positions was successfully completed. Entered military service from Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

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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 individual:

630th Field Artillery, In.

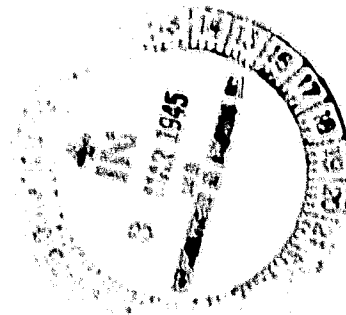
LESTER E. SHOOP, 33 012 606, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944, in Schmittenville, France. When a truck which was parked next to his vehicle received a direct hit from an enemy shell setting it ablaze and causing ammunition in it to explode, Technician Fourth Grade Shoop, completely disregarding his own safety, left his place of shelter and, exposing himself to the intense enemy shell fire and exploding small arms ammunition, drove his vehicle to a place of safety. Entered military service from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General PATON:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
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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, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished-Service-Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

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CHARLES L. THOMAS, O1 824 591, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Company "C", *** Tank Destroyer Battalion (Towed), for extraordinary heroism in action on 14 December 1944, near Climbach, France. While riding in the lead vehicle of a task force organized to storm and capture the village of Climbach, France, Lieutenant Thomas' armored scout car was subjected to intense enemy artillery, self-propelled gun, and small arms fire. Although wounded by the initial burst of hostile fire, Lieutenant Thomas signaled the remainder of the column to halt and, despite the severity of his wounds, assisted the crew of the wrecked car in dismounting. Upon leaving the scout protection which the vehicle afforded, Lieutenant Thomas was again subjected to a hail of enemy fire which inflicted multiple gun shot wounds in his chest, legs and left arm. Despite the intense pain caused by these wounds, Lieutenant Thomas ordered and directed the dispersion and emplacement of two antitank guns which in a few moments were effectively returning the enemy fire. Realizing that he could no longer remain in command of the platoon, he signaled to the platoon commander to join him. Lieutenant Thomas then thoroughly oriented him on enemy gun dispositions and the general situation. Only after he was certain that his junior officer was in full control of the situation did he permit himself to be evacuated. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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 individual:

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PHILIP L. THORNTON, 35 008 635, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on the night of 5-6 January 1945, in Stattenon, Alsace, France. When the infantry company to which Sergeant Thornton's forward observer party was attached was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack, and it became apparent that the Germans must be

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pinned down at all costs, Sergeant Thornton, advising friendly troops to take cover, called for artillery fire to be placed on his own position. Although the building he was using for observation and communication received a direct hit, with complete disregard for personal safety, he continued adjusting fire until reinforcements arrived five hours later. Entered military service from Sperryville, Virginia.

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

144th AM Truck Co.

ARTHUR W. A. FINKELL, O1 578 462, First Lieutenant, Quartermaster Corps, *** Quartermaster Truck Company, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy. On 1 August 1943, after a heavy enemy aerial bombardment on the port of Palermo, Sicily, Lieutenant Finkell, disregarding the danger of shell fragments and flying debris from exploding ammunition ships, proceeded to the end of a pier where, accompanied by another officer, he successfully assisted in saving much valuable equipment from probable destruction. Entered military service from Albany, New York.

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

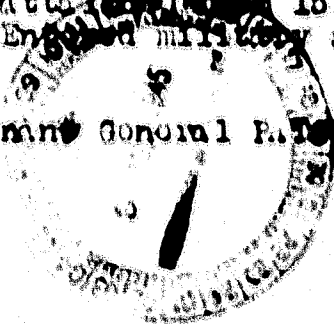
27th Evacuation Hospital

CHARLES A. PUESTOW, O 267 687, Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, from 22 August 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Highland Park, Illinois. ★

1st Signal Battalion

VINCENT A. ZINN, 35 114 628, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, Company "A", *** Signal Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Hamilton, Ohio. ★

By command of Lieutenant General P. T. H.



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- Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross. I
- Award of the Soldier's Medal. II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. III
- Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. IV

I -- AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individual:

80th Infantry Regiment

ARTHUR F. CULVER, 36 003 131, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "A", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action: At 1700 hours on 21 September 1944, during an attack on Ia Mer, France, Sergeant Culver dashed forward thirty yards in a lone assault against an enemy machine gun emplacement. Leaving his squad behind, he worked his way to within ten yards of the emplacement, killed a German with carbine fire and, maneuvering around toward the right and rear of the hostile position, wounded three more of the enemy. Machine gun and machine pistol fire blazed at him from a range of ten to fifteen yards; bullets tore through his combat jacket, but he continued his singlehanded fight. A German rose from his foxhole and hurled a hand grenade, which struck Sergeant Culver on the cheek and gashed it open, but failed to explode. Simultaneously, a flak wagon opened up from a range of five hundred yards and showered the tree tops around him with shell fragments. Killing the machine gunner, Sergeant Culver put the remaining three Germans to flight, then pursued and captured them. In a one-man assault, he had destroyed a powerful German defensive position, killed two, wounded three and captured three of the enemy, allowing none to escape. Entered military service from Stewardson, Illinois.

II - 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 individual:

1st Field Artillery Bn

WILLARD J. BANNON, 36 238 160, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 6 January 1945, near Le Bonhomme, France. Upon noticing smoke seeping through the door connecting his quarters to an adjoining room, Technician Fifth Grade Bannon rushed into the room and discovered a large can of gasoline burning fiercely. Disregarding his own safety, he

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immediately removed the can of burning gasoline. As a result of his heroic action and quick thinking, Technician Fifth Grade Bannon saved much valuable military equipment vitally needed for the continued operation of his organization. Entered military service from Nogaunee, Michigan.

III- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:
~~375th Engineer Bn~~

ALIAN L. LUKE, JR., O 262 308, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, Map Depot Company, *** Engineer Battalion (Separate), from 6 October 1944 to 30 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Tyrone, Pennsylvania.

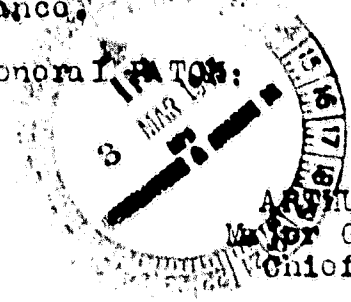
~~343d Engineer Regiment (GS)~~

THOMAS W. PEERY, 35 274 125, Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Corps of Engineers, Headquarters and Service Company, *** Engineer Regiment (GS), from 28 September 1943 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Waverly, Ohio.

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

THE 11TH FIELD HOSPITAL, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 15 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General ~~W. G. Caldwell~~:



ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSO,
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Award of the Silver Star.	I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal.	II
Award of the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal.	III
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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 individual:

935th FA Bn

HERMIT SPIELMAN, O1 168 088, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on the night of 5-6 January 1945, in Statten, France. When the infantry company to which his forward observation party was attached was subjected to a violent enemy counter attack and it became necessary to pin down the hostile force before they overran the company's position, Lieutenant Spielman advised the company commander to place his men in cellars. Then, proceeding to the attic of a building, he called for artillery fire and although the house received a direct hit, continued to call for supporting fire until relief was effected five hours later. Entered military service from Carrizo Springs, Texas.

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

6th Information & Historical Service

EDWIN M. CARPENTER, JR., 39 161 367, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, *** Information and Historical Service, from 26 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

III- 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 individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

AWARD OF THE SIXTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

934 Armored FA Bn

HUGHES D. RUDD, JR., O 534 008, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 28 September 1944 to 17 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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097th FA Bn

AWARD OF THE FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

✓ THOMAS W. WATERMAN, O1 174 724; First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 13 September 1944 to 5 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Joplin, Missouri.

034 Arm'd FA Bn

AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

✓ STANLEY J. LINDBERG, O1 170 463, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 17 October 1944 to 11 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

IV - 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:

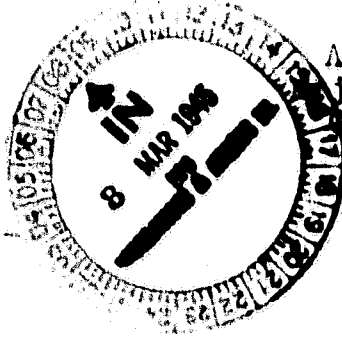
030 Arm'd FA Bn

✓ ALVA R. FOSTER, 15 041 380, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 11 September 1944 to 18 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Sinks Grove, West Virginia.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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Arthur A. White
J. G. CALDWELL,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.



ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
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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 by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

HENRY MARIE GUY DE GROUT DE BEAUFORT, Lieutenant Colonel Combat Command No. 2 of the 1st Division Blindes, 5th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action during the period 5 to 14 September 1944, in France. While leading a group composed of various arms during operations from 5 to 14 September 1944, Lieutenant Colonel Beaufort surprised and destroyed five enemy columns at Givry, Chagny and Genevrières, pinned down an artillery supported counterattack, inflicted heavy losses on the enemy (six hundred dead, wounded or captured), and put twenty-five artillery pieces and several hundred vehicles out of action.

HENRI PAUL GUSTAVE MARIE DE GONFREVILLE, Lieutenant Colonel, Deputy Chief of Staff, II French Corps, for extraordinary heroism in action, in Southern France. Colonel Gonfreville, who was primarily concerned with the Operations Section, performed his duties with unsurpassed skill and tireless devotion. Frequently volunteering for extremely hazardous missions in the front line, he brought back many items of information of vital importance to the Command. He contributed greatly to the success of the operations that culminated in the capture of Marseilles, Toulon and the advance of the Allied Armies to the Vosges.

PIERRE LOUIS GAUVIN, Lieutenant Colonel, 6th Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, for extraordinary heroism in action, from 20 to 25 August 1944, in France. Colonel Gauvin's troops were engaged in a difficult and costly combat against a stubborn enemy who was superior in numbers and solidly entrenched. Colonel Gauvin led his men steadily forward to Sollièspon, La Marlede and La Valette and finally to Toulon, taking all his objectives and causing severe losses to the enemy. His courage and skill in maneuver caused the fall of Fort d'Artigues and resulted in the seizure of a considerable quantity of enemy materiel and the taking of a great number of prisoners.

ROBERT GUFFLET, Lieutenant Colonel, 21st Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, for extraordinary heroism in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, in Toulon. Colonel Gufflet, displaying the highest qualities of leadership, led his Battalion, through hard fighting, from Faron into the heart of Toulon. In a brilliantly executed maneuver, he seized Talhouquet in two days, capturing one thousand eight hundred prisoners and a great quantity of materiel and supplies.

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EMANUEL LOUIS LANGLET, Lieutenant Colonel, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, Assistant Commander, for extraordinary heroism in action at Briancon, France. Commanding a detachment in the Durance Valley and charged with recapture of Briancon from the enemy, Colonel Langlet, on 5 and 6 September 1944, set a magnificent example of daring and bravery. He coordinated all elements placed under his command, and, after two days of stubborn fighting in the streets and defense works, completely disorganized the German defense. Colonel Langlet seized several forts, inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and captured many prisoners, among them several officers. Colonel Langlet was highly instrumental in the liberation of the town of Briancon and its fortifications.

BUTIN, Chef de Bataillon, 2d Brigade, 1st Division, Motorisee d'Infanterie, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 21 August 1944 in France. Chef de Bataillon Butin distinguished himself by leading his troops in the capture of the Massif des Maurettes, an important enemy defensive position covering the northern approaches to Hyeres. Throughout this important operation, Chef de Bataillon Butin gave a magnificent example of confidence and total disregard for danger.

SIMON MARIE LUDOVIC DE CARMEJANE, Chef d'Escadrons, 7th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action in Italy and France. During the course of his long service in the Italian campaign, he particularly distinguished himself at Mont Iencio on 20 and 21 May 1944, taking that objective with a company of American tanks. In France, Chef d'Escadrons de Carmejane, with the aid of American heavy artillery, contributed largely to the conquest of the Toulon forts. His tireless devotion to duty, his heroic action, and the excellence of his liaison were an inspiration to his associates.

RODOLPHE MARIE CERUTTI, Chef de Bataillon, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for extraordinary heroism in action in Italy and France. At the head of his battalion, Chef de Bataillon Cerutti won a series of brilliant victories while fighting his way from Castellforte to the gates of Siena; his courageous and skillful leadership were particularly in evidence at Sciola on 12 and 13 May 1944, at the mopping-up of Campo dei Morti on 20 and 21 May 1944, and during the capture of Amata on 15 June 1944. In France, Chef de Bataillon Cerutti gave further proof of his magnificent military qualities when leading his unit in the capture of the Col de la Ferriere, and reducing Lomont Range by the occupation of the Goux Plateau on 10 September 1944. The seizure of this highly strategic position made possible the deployment of the forces engaged and contributed largely to the final success of the operation.

CLAUDE ANDRE CLEMENT, Chef de Bataillon, Commandant of the 1st Battalion, 5th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for extraordinary heroism in action, in France. Chef de Bataillon Clement, an excellent leader, charged with the liberation of the Arc Valley, captured

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the stubbornly defended Fort du Sappoy, on 13 September 1944. Leading a group consisting of various arms, and comprising in particular a regular battalion and three FFI Battalions, Chef de Bataillon Clement, by executing a brilliant maneuver, forced the enemy to abandon the region of Modane and the high valley of la Maurienne with heavy losses and to retreat to the border mountains.

JACQUES EDMOND ARMAND COLIN, Chef de Bataillon, 93d Bataillon du Genie, for extraordinary heroism in action, in Italy and France. On 1 June 1944, Chef de Bataillon Colin distinguished himself by his courage and complete disregard for personal safety during the victorious advance on Siena, Italy. Upon landing in France on 15 August 1944, Chef de Bataillon Colin continued his brilliant achievements, particularly distinguishing himself from 20 to 28 August 1944 during the operations resulting in the capture of Toulon and Marseilles, by reason of his activity in the neutralization of mines, booby-traps and flame-throwers defending the approaches to Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde.

PIERRE COMMUNAL, Chef de Bataillon, 6th Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 2 August 1944, in France. Chef de Bataillon Communal led his troops in the capture of the dungeon strongpoint of Sollios-Villo. After severe fighting, in which many prisoners were taken, Chef de Bataillon Communal, leading his Battalion along the heights, over difficult terrain and under heavy fire, greatly contributed to the opening of the road to Toulon.

FELIX JOSEPH MARIE FINAT DUCLOS, Chef de Bataillon, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for extraordinary heroism in action during the advance on Marseilles in August 1944, and during the mopping-up of the city. Chef de Bataillon Finat Duclos was mortally wounded on 25 August 1944 in the City of Marseilles, while adjusting artillery fire against an enemy battery.

LOUIS ANDRE XAVIER GIRAUD, Chef d'Escadron, Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion, 65th Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action from 16 August to 15 September 1944, in France. Chef d'Escadron Giraud, attached with his unit to 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, and then to 3d Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, distinguished himself throughout the Allied operations in Southern France by his extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy.

FRANCIS GORLUX, Chef de Bataillon, Compagnie Antitank, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for extraordinary heroism in action on 28 August 1944 at Hyeres, France. Chef de Bataillon Goriaux, during a lull in the activity of his anti-tank unit, personally led his men in an assault on the principal strongpoint of the enemy resistance at Hyeres. Chef de Bataillon Goriaux was seriously wounded in the head and lost an eye during the course of this action.

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JEAN LAHACHE, Chef de Bataillon, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for extraordinary heroism in action from 25 to 28 August 1944, in France. Chef de Bataillon Lahache displayed magnificent qualities of leadership in the Tunisian and Italian Campaigns and in Allied operations in Provence. Chef de Bataillon Lahache distinguished himself particularly between 25 and 28 August 1944, when his daring conduct in the fighting within the city of Marseille contributed largely to the smashing of enemy resistance and the early opening of this vital port of supply.

LOIRET, Chef d'Escadron, Headquarters First French Army, for extraordinary heroism in action, in December 1943 and January 1944, in Italy. Chef d'Escadron Loiret, commanding a Field Artillery Battalion, gave daring and invaluable support to the Infantry during the heavy fighting of the Italian winter campaign, particularly at Pontano, Mainardo, Costa San Pietro and Monna Casale. Later assigned to Headquarters French Expeditionary Corps, in Italy, and then to Headquarters First French Army in France, he repeatedly demonstrated his high qualities of courage, decisiveness and technical skill in carrying out numerous valuable liaison missions.

LAURENT FLYE SAINTE MARIE, Chef de Bataillon, Headquarters 3d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for extraordinary heroism in action during the battle resulting in the liberation of Marseilles, France. His exemplary military qualities and his tireless devotion to duty, notably on 25 August 1944, at Chateau de Mantos and at Fort du Mont Rose, contributed greatly to the success of 3d Groupe de Tabors Marocains in the capture of several forts, one thousand five hundred prisoners and large quantities of war materiel.

EDOUARD JEAN MERIC, Chef de Bataillon, Commanding Officer, 1st Tabor Marocain, for extraordinary heroism in action, in France. On 21 and 22 August 1944, at the head of his unit and after an extremely severe battle, he drove a fanatically resisting enemy back from the outskirts of Aubagne. Attacking without respite, Chef de Bataillon MERIC crushed enemy resistance, inflicted heavy losses, and forced the enemy to withdraw. During the period 25 to 28 August 1944, Chef de Bataillon MERIC and his men succeeded in taking more than one thousand two hundred prisoners, twice the number of his own unit.

VICTOR MIRKIN, Commandant, Headquarters 50, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for extraordinary heroism in action during the Allied operations at Toulon, France. By acting with courage and imagination, Commandant Mirkin succeeded in deceiving the enemy to such an extent that during the assault on Toulon, he was able, with the aid of two tanks, to take eight hundred German prisoners including seventeen officers.

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PAUL ERNEST MORLON, Chef d'Escadron, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie, for extraordinary heroism in action at Hyeres and Toulon, France. Capitaine Morlon, commanding a field artillery battery, broke up repeated enemy counterattacks with rapid and deadly artillery fire of great precision thus saving the life of many infantrymen. Capitaine Morlon, an expert of French artillery, distinguished himself through his courage and coolness and through the effectiveness of his artillery fire.

AIME POMMERIE, Chef de Bataillon, 152d Regiment du Genie, for extraordinary heroism in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Chef de Bataillon Pommerie, through his technical proficiency and his splendid example of courage and devotion to duty, obtained maximum efficiency from his Battalion, under difficult circumstances, in the vital work of mine clearance and removal of obstacles, thus contributing greatly to the success of First French Army operations.

HENRI EUGENE JULES ROUSSEL, Chef de Bataillon, 1st Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for extraordinary heroism in action in the course of Allied operations in Southern France in August 1944. During the operations leading to the fall of Marseilles, Chef de Bataillon Roussel, at the head of his troops, attacked Septemes. After three days of desperate fighting in the alleys and gardens of La Gavotte and Moulin du Diable, Chef de Bataillon Roussel and his Tabor succeeded, in spite of heavy losses and the fanatical resistance of the enemy, in taking the fortified positions whose capture caused an enemy Colonel and his regiment to surrender.

JEAN PIERRE RUYSSSEN, Chef de Bataillon, Groupe de Commandos d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action, from 15 to 21 August 1944, in Southern France. Landing at 0130 on 15 August 1944 at Canadon beach with the main body of his forces, Chef de Bataillon Ruyssen led his troops through the beach defenses and effected a junction with the first wave at another point. Chef de Bataillon Ruyssen was constantly in the forefront of the fighting during 16, 17 and 18 August. He evinced magnificent courage in the performance of extremely hazardous duties with a total disregard for his own safety. On 21 August 1944, Chef de Bataillon Ruyssen, under withering artillery fire, organized the central defenses of Mont Coudon and by his brilliant leadership was responsible for saving many lives.

JEAN FACOREY DE SAINT BON, Chef de Bataillon, 3d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for extraordinary heroism in action during the course of the Allied campaign in Italy. During these operations, Chef de Bataillon Facorey de Saint Bon, with complete disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire in order to assure the execution of orders in the extremely hazardous missions. By his courage and calmness in the face of danger, Chef de Bataillon Facorey de Saint Bon particularly distinguished himself during the attack on Gorga on 1 and 2 June 1944.

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YVES MARIE ADOLPHE DE SAINT GERMAIN, Chef de Bataillon, 6th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for extraordinary heroism in action on 23 August 1944, in France. On that day, Chef de Bataillon De Saint Germain, engaged in the fight for La Valotte, was able to hold his men on their line of departure under difficult conditions and in spite of violent enemy reaction. Rushing toward the redoubt of La Platriere Sainte-Anne, Chef de Bataillon De Saint Germain seized two pillboxes. His extraordinary heroism contributed much to the fall of this powerful defense system which blocked the road to Toulon.

ROBERT SIZAIRE, Chef de Bataillon, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for extraordinary heroism in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, in France. Chef de Bataillon Sizaire, after heavy fighting and demonstrating intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty, seized one by one the Champ de Mars, and forts La Malue and Mourillon, at the same time capturing one thousand three hundred prisoners.

RAYMOND TISSIER, Chef de Bataillon, Divisional Artillery of 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for extraordinary heroism in action from 15 to 20 August during the Allied operations in Southern France. By his tireless devotion to duty, his coolness under fire, and complete disregard for personal safety, Chef de Bataillon Tissier inspired his men by his example and trained and encouraged them to work under mortar fire with the same unconcern. By his heroic example and fearless leadership Chef de Bataillon Tissier developed the effectiveness of his unit, which succeeded in establishing at le Capeau communications which permitted the entrance of armored elements into Nyerres on 20 August 1944.

JACQUES LOUIS SYLVAIN ANDRE, Capitaine, 3d Regiment Coloniale d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. As commander of a reconnaissance unit, Capitaine Andre, from the start of the invasion, gave daily proof of courage and tactical ability worthy of the finest traditions of the French Light Cavalry. Capitaine Andre played an important part in the success of the Army, furnishing the most vital information on many occasions, harassing the enemy without pause and forcing him to abandon his positions, thus causing him the loss of more than one thousand prisoners in three weeks.

GUY DANGER, Capitaine, 2d Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, for extraordinary heroism in action in North Africa and France. Displaying intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty, Capitaine Danger carried out alone several particularly dangerous reconnaissance missions, notably on 26 and 27 August in the area north of Avignon, where he was fired upon by the retreating German elements, and on 10 September from Beaune to Talant, where he took part in extremely severe combat against a firm and aggressive enemy.

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PAUL DUCOURNEAU, Capitaine, Groupe de Commandos d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action during the Allied landings in Southern France. After landing at 0030 on 15 August 1944, Capitaine Ducourneau led the troops who scaled the cliff to capture the Cap Negro battery; on 18 August 1944 he led his men in the capture of the Fauvages battery, heavily fortified and strongly held by the Kriegsmarine; on 21 August 1944, finally, he was again in the forefront at the scaling and capture of Fort du Coudeon. In all these actions Capitaine Ducourneau was always to be found where the fighting was hottest. Although wounded at Fort du Coudeon he refused to be evacuated; his unsurpassed courage and magnificent leadership were a continuous source of inspiration to his men.

ALAIN DUPARCMEUR, Capitaine, 2d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for extraordinary heroism in action from 24 to 27 August 1944, in the course of the Allied operation leading to the capture of Marseilles. By the brilliance of his tactics and his employment of seemingly inaccessible approach routes, Capitaine Duparcmeur led his men in a fierce attack against strongly defended enemy positions. On 24 August 1944, at Trois-Ponts, Capitaine Duparcmeur and his men captured one German General, fifty officers and one thousand one hundred and sixty men. On 27 August 1944, during the mopping-up of Marseilles, he captured Audeoud Barracks and Fort St. Nicholas, taking many prisoners. Capitaine Duparcmeur was wounded in the course of this action.

FAURE, Capitaine, 2d Brigade, 1st Division Motorisée, d'Infanterie, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 27 August 1944, at Mont Redon, France. Capitaine Faure distinguished himself during operations carried out by Bataillon de Marche No. 5, and leading to the capture of Mont Redon (Noyers). In spite of a violent enemy counterattack, Capitaine Faure held the ground won, thus making possible the total occupation of the objective. Capitaine Faure set an example of coolness, energy and courage.

JACQUES ALFONSE DE FERETTI DE LA ROCCA, Capitaine, 3d Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for extraordinary heroism in action, in France. On 21 August 1944, having received the mission to establish a roadblock on the Lavalotte-Dardennes-Toulon road and to halt all traffic on that axis, Capitaine De Feretti de La Rocca forced his way to a German strongpoint at Chateau de la Repolle. By a clever encircling movement, he was able to take the enemy position and maintain it against heavy retaliatory enemy artillery fire. Counter attacked twice, and threatened by night infiltrations of the enemy, who desired at any price to take this extremely important position, Capitaine De Feretti de La Rocca, displaying extraordinary heroism, was able not only to improve his position but to render the Lavalotte-Toulon axis useless for the purposes of the enemy, to take many prisoners and to capture an enormous amount of enemy material.

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PIERRE LARTIGAU, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for extraordinary heroism in action, from 6 to 7 September 1944, at Col de Ferrieres, France. Capitaine Lartigau distinguished himself by his skill and daring when seizing the important Col de Ferrieres road junction in the face of extremely heavy enemy artillery fire. On the evening of the next day, when counterattacked in force by two German companies after artillery preparation, Capitaine Lartigau not only refused to yield an inch of ground but succeeded in halting the enemy only a few meters from his position. Owing to Capitaine Lartigau's inspired leadership, heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy and numerous prisoners taken before the counterattack was beaten back into the woods.

JACQUES LEFORT, Capitaine, 1st Bataillon de Choc, for extraordinary heroism in action during the combat resulting in the liberation of Toulon, France. Commanding a tactical group of two companies reinforced by several armored elements, he succeeded after fierce street-fighting, in infiltrating into the city against a fanatical enemy with a ten-fold numerical superiority. The boldness of his attack caused the enemy considerable losses and was instrumental in the collapse of the enemy effort.

CHARLES MOREL, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for extraordinary heroism in action, in France. On 5 September 1944, Capitaine Morel led his unit in an assault on Faumelos-Dames, and succeeded in disorganizing the enemy defenses and in setting fire to a train loaded with materiel and personnel. His courage and extraordinary heroism under fire were an inspiration to all his men.

ANDRE PERRIQUET, Capitaine, 8th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action during the period 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. After the Italian campaign, he commanded a Tank Destroyer Troop and took part in the actions at the Hotel du Golfe, La Garde and Toulon. Capitaine Perriquet distinguished himself particularly at the Hotel du Golfe, where, heedless of his own safety, he repeatedly exposed himself to heavy enemy automatic fire in order to coordinate the action of his troops and successfully directed the fire of his guns, thus contributing to the fall of the hotel and the capture of many prisoners.

LOUIS AUGUSTE RIVIE, Capitaine, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie, for extraordinary heroism in action on 23, 24, and 25 August 1944, in France. Capitaine Rivie volunteered for the French Campaign in spite of the fact that a wound which he had received at Fontecurve in Italy had not completely healed. Capitaine Rivie, placing his artillery observers always closest to the most advanced elements of the Infantry Battalions, succeeded, through his audacity, in giving precise and effective artillery support to the attacking Infantry.

CHARLES TORRI, Capitaine, Bataillon de Choc, for extraordinary heroism in action, from 21 to 23 August 1944, in France. Capitaine Torri gave proof of his courage and coolness during the attack against the Toulon powder magazine between 21 and 23 August 1944, while leading his company in a particularly daring maneuver against a determined enemy. Inspiring his men by his personal example of bravery, he succeeded in penetrating the walls of the stronghold and leading his way into the interior. This bold action demoralized the enemy and resulted in the capture of one hundred and seventy prisoners. Capitaine Torri was later severely wounded while marching at the head of his men in pursuit of the enemy in the Dijon area.

MAURICE CHAVANNE, Lieutenant, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for extraordinary heroism in action from 13 to 22 September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Chavanne distinguished himself as a Company Commander during offensive operations in the Jura and Vosges Mountains. From 13 to 22 September 1944, Lieutenant Chavanne demonstrated his courage and skill in the defense of a strongpoint between the villages of Auto-Chaux-Roide and Roches les Blamont. Later, from 4 to 15 October 1944, Lieutenant Chavanne's vigorous leadership of offensive actions resulted in the capture of the forest of Rond-Lieu and Hills 604 and 634, and contributed greatly to the establishment of a solid bridgehead on the northern bank of the Mosolotte.

JEAN MARIE MICHEL ANTOINE JOSEPH FAIVRE D'ARCIER, Lieutenant, 3d Regiment de Spahis Algériens de Reconnaissance, for extraordinary heroism in action, in Italy and France. Lieutenant D'Arcier distinguished himself at the plain of San Elia in January 1944 and was wounded in the course of the action. In France, scarcely recovered from his hospitalization, he effected the capture of the town of Moutho on 4 September 1944, taking two hundred prisoners. On 6 September 1944, he further distinguished himself by undertaking an extremely dangerous reconnaissance mission at Fierrefontaine, where, despite heavy enemy fire, Lieutenant D'Arcier was successful in returning with the highly valuable intelligence information.

PIERRE LOUIS EDI CHD LUCH DE DUFFOUROQ, Lieutenant, 2d Regiment de Dragons, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 8 September 1944 at Luttm, France. Lieutenant de Duffoureq led his unit to the center of the town, destroying many enemy strongpoints and a dozen enemy trucks. Forced by fierce enemy counterattacks to withdraw, Lieutenant de Duffoureq twice fought his way forward under heavy fire from enemy antitank grenade-launchers. He held his position in the town for three hours, despite the fire of enemy weapons installed in the houses. During this action, Lieutenant de Duffoureq was wounded in the eye by the burst of an antitank grenade.

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MAURICE JOLY, Lieutenant, 152d Regiment du Conic, for extraordinary heroism in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Joly, leading his company during the First French Army offensive, repeatedly performed hazardous missions under enemy fire. His technical skill and daring in detecting and lifting mines and booby-traps greatly facilitated the advance of the Infantry and prevented losses among friendly troops.

HENRI JORDAN, Lieutenant, 9th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action on 7 and 11 September 1944 at Montagny-les-Beaune and Talant, France. Lieutenant Jordan, distinguishing himself through his calmness and initiative, at Montagny-les-Beaune was instrumental in effecting the rapid destruction of an antitank-gun which impeded the advance toward Beaune. Four days later, Lieutenant Jordan annihilated a strong enemy column in the vicinity of Talant despite intensive antitank and mortar fire.

JEAN TENAILLON, Lieutenant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for extraordinary heroism in action, on 5 September 1944 in France. Lieutenant Tenailon successfully led his Company against the village of Puy-St-Pierre, on 5 September 1944, pressing forward in spite of stubborn enemy resistance and the severe losses suffered by his own unit. On the following day, Lieutenant Tenailon led the assault on the Citadel of Briancon forcing the surrender of the stronghold and taking a considerable number of prisoners.

FRANCOIS FERRUCCI, Sous-Lieutenant, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for extraordinary heroism in action, in France. Through his courage and initiative as Bomb Disposal Officer of the regiment and always in the forefront of the action with first echelon units, Sous-Lieutenant Ferrucci cleared the passage for combat vehicles and infantry, particularly during the drive on Harselles, in the forest fighting at Forêt de Longogoutte (Vosges) and in the crossing of the Moselotte on 10 and 11 October 1944.

JACQUES JEANNEROT, Sous-Lieutenant, Groupe de Commandos d'Afrique, for extraordinary heroism in action between 15 and 18 August 1944, in France. Sous-Lieutenant Jeannerot led his section during the Allied landings in Southern France. On 15 August 1944, having landed with his men west of Cap Negre, in the very center of an enemy strongpoint, Sous-Lieutenant Jeannerot succeeded in breaking through the enemy position and rejoining the main body of his Commando after violent fighting. On 18 August 1944, Sous-Lieutenant Jeannerot was severely wounded while leading his section in the assault on the heavily fortified and fanatically defended Mauvannes battery.

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JAN FEXSSOU, Sous-Lieutenant, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie
Coloniale de Maroc, for extraordinary heroism in action on 13-15
September 1944, in France. Sous-Lieutenant Fexsson, liaison officer
with the Infantry, distinguished himself through his calmness and
disregard for danger, in particular during the period from 13 to 15
September at Saint Maurice Scholotte where, working with the fore-
most Infantry elements and under deadly enemy artillery and auto-
matic weapons fire, he gave important intelligence information to
his group and directed the artillery support.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal II

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 individuals:

810th Inf Regt
SERGEANT T. RAYES, JR., 33 202 004, Technical Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, Company "F", 888th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 24 October 1944, near Embronnail, France. When his company was subjected to harassing artillery fire, Sergeant Rayes immediately crawled forward to the crest of a hill and, observing the fire emanating from an enemy Mark V Tank a short distance away, immediately circled to the left and, taking advantage of all available cover, advanced to within fifty yards of the tank. He fired two rifle phosphorous grenades which enveloped the tank in smoke; the enemy, unable to manouver their tank out of the smoke cloud, poured incessant machine gun fire into Sergeant Rayes' position in an effort to prevent further damage to the tank. With complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Rayes dashed back through intense enemy fire to his platoon where he secured a bazooka and the aid of another enlisted man. Despite the hail of enemy fire, Sergeant Rayes traversed the fire-swept route to his former position. Firing one well-aimed rocket grenade, he destroyed the enemy tank. Although he received a head wound during this action, Sergeant Rayes returned to his platoon and, finding that his platoon leader and platoon sergeant had both been wounded and evacuated during his absence, assumed command and led his platoon in successfully repulsing three fierce enemy counterattacks. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

143d Inf Regt
SERGEANT D. HOGGE, 32 637 343, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "E", 888th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 22-23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Le Souche, France. In a series of intrepid actions Sergeant Hogge led his platoon through intense enemy fire against numerous well entrenched enemy positions, where, with complete disregard for personal safety, he was instrumental in destroying two enemy machine gun positions and, single-handedly, killed two and captured fourteen of the enemy. His courageous leadership and extraordinary heroism reflect the finest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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~~300th Inf Reg~~
LEES, O1 325 908, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company
"C", 8th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on
4 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Remy, France. While ad-
vancing with his platoon under heavy enemy artillery and mortar
fire, a well concealed hostile machine gun nest suddenly opened
fire, mowing down Lieutenant Lees' platoon and the entire attacking
company. Despite the lack of cover afforded by the open terrain
and without regard for concentrated artillery and mortar shelling,
Lieutenant Lees crawled to within ten yards of the enemy position.
Opening fire with his submachine gun, he charged the very entrance
of the gun emplacement and, singlehanded, destroyed the entire
enemy gun crew. By his audacious and heroic actions, Lieutenant
Lees killed four of the enemy, reduced a strong defensive position
and enabled his company to seize their objective. Entered military
service from Cascade, Iowa.

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:

~~80th Hosp~~
RICHARD H. STUBER, O 222 177, Colonel, Medical Corps, 80th Evacua-
tion Hospital, for meritorious service in direct support of combat
operations from 10 August 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France.
Entered military service from New York City, New York.

~~11th Hosp~~
CHARLES P. WARD, O10 318, Colonel, Medical Corps, 11th Evacua-
tion Hospital, for meritorious service in direct support of combat
operations from 22 August 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France.
Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

By command of Lieutenant General PATON:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSO,
Chief of Staff.

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Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished-Service Cross	I
Award of the Silver Star	II
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I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following individual:

VALBERT H. CUMMINGS, O1 299 379, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", 888 Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 26 September 1944, near Remiremont, France. When elements of his battalion were subjected to intense crossfire from well concealed enemy machine gun positions, Lieutenant Cummings, with complete disregard for personal safety, advanced ahead of his company toward the source of the withering fire in an attempt to silence the enemy guns. Firing three clips of .45 calibre pistol ammunition into the first enemy position, he then seized a rifle and destroyed three of the enemy. Then, leading his men in an assault on the remaining gun emplacements, he effected the destruction of three machine guns. As a result of his intrepid action a large number of the enemy were either killed or captured during the engagement. Lieutenant Cummings' leadership and extraordinary heroism reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. He was killed in a subsequent action. Next of Kin: Mrs A. H. Cummings (Mother), 510 North Georgia Avenue, Mason City, Iowa.

II - AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 28 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following individual:

RAY J. HEARN, 32 200 838, Private First Class, Cavalry, Troop "B", 888 Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron (Mechanized), for gallantry in action on 6 August 1944, near la Croxille, France. When the platoon sergeant of a dismounted patrol which was advancing on the village of la Croxille was hit by enemy machine gun fire and seriously wounded, Private First Class Hearn immediately administered first aid and arranged for his evacuation. Regrouping the patrol for attack, Private First Class Hearn boldly led his men in an assault on the hostile machine gun position and, although wounded in the shoulder, gallantly continued the attack, destroying the enemy gun emplacement and its crew, and opening the way for the successful capture of la Croxille, France. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

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RALPH V. REEF, 35 413 611, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion for gallantry in action on the night of 5-6 January 1945, in Stattmatten, France. When the infantry company to which his forward observation party was attached was subjected to a violent enemy counterattack, it became necessary to pin down the hostile force before they overran the company's position. Technician Fifth Grade Reef, proceeding to the attic of a building, called for artillery fire and, although the house received a direct hit, continued to call for supporting fire until relief was effected five hours later. Entered military service from New Baltimore, Ohio.

III- COMMENDATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following unit is commended for exceptionally meritorious conduct and outstanding devotion to duty:

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THE 21ST CHEMICAL DECONTAMINATING COMPANY, for outstanding performance of duty while in support of assault troops in Southern France on 15 August 1944. In conjunction with the assault of the 3d, 36th and 45th Infantry Divisions on the Southern Coast of France, the 21st Chemical Decontaminating Company landed on the beachhead at H-hour on D-day and released smoke for a two hour period. During this interval, despite the hazard of mines, and machine gun, mortar and small arms fire directed against their sector, and in the course of which they sustained five casualties, the men of the 21st Chemical Decontaminating Company displayed unusual courage and extreme devotion to duty in their determination to carry out their assigned mission. The superior performance of the 21st Chemical Decontaminating Company during this action reflects great credit upon the military forces of the United States and is worthy of the highest commendation.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations GCO-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

1st Signal Bn

DANIEL M. BERRY, 35 118 709, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, Company "C", *** Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Chariot, Ohio.

80th Evac. Hosp.

ORAL B. BOLLEAUGH, O4 179, Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 September 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Sausalito, California.

LOWERY W. CODY, O 349 462, Captain, Signal Corps, Staff and Faculty, Eastern Signal Corps School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 18 August 1943, in Sicily. Entered military service from Olympia, Washington.

1st Signal Bn

JOHN W. GLEASON, JR., W2 102 940, Chief Warrant Officer, United States Army, *** Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 25 July 1944 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Westminster, South Carolina.

3d Chemical Mortar Bn

ROY A. LAWLESS, 35 483 712, Private First Class, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", *** Chemical Mortar Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 16 January 1945 to 20 January 1945; in Rittershoffen, France. Entered military service from Jamestown, Kentucky.

181st Medical Bn

ROBERT W. LISHMAN, O21 732, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1 September 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

10th Field Hosp.

EARL B. ROSS, O 205 844, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Field Hospital, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

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630th FA Bn

IRVIN W. STROUSS, 36 597 143, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, in Rembs, Alsace, France. While a member of the Battery Detail, Corporal Strauss, with utter disregard for his own safety, accompanied the forward observer to a tower which was under heavy enemy shell fire. Although subjected to intense enemy small arms and artillery fire, he remained at his observation post and adjusted the fire of his battery until its mission had been accomplished. Entered military service from Downers Grove, Illinois.

630th FA Bn

STANLEY C. TUTTLEMAN, O 454 861, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 6 December 1944, near Riedelsheim, Alsace, France. When the battery ammunition dump received a direct hit from enemy shellfire which started a large fire in the powder charges, Lieutenant Tuttleman, with two enlisted men, immediately proceeded to the ammunition dump to extinguish the blaze. Although a round of 8" Howitzer HE ammunition exploded, showering the area with fragments and causing new fires to break out in other parts of the dump, Lieutenant Tuttleman fearlessly continued to move burning powder cases away from the dump and, in so doing, was instrumental in preventing the loss of vitally needed ammunition. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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ARDELL A. WELLER, O18 290, Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 26 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

By command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
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Award, Posthumous, of the Silver Star I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal II

I -- 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:

32 Medical Bn

JOHN M. MARCOLA, 32 132 453, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, Company "B", *** Medical Battalion, for gallantry in action on 30 January 1944, near Cisterna, Italy. When the Ranger Battalion to which his company was attached was pinned down by heavy mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant Marcola, with utter disregard for his own safety, and although seriously wounded himself, left his place of shelter to administer first aid and evacuate the wounded to a place of safety. While engaged in this heroic act, Sergeant Marcola was killed by enemy fire. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mary Marcola (Mother), RD #1, Camillus, New York.

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

830th FA Bn

FLORENCE R. CONSIDINE, 01 177 345, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, du Kombs, Alsace, France. Assigned the mission of adjusting the fire of his battery on an enemy strongpoint, Lieutenant Considerine, unable to gain direct observation on the target from the ground, established his observation post in the tower of a building which had been taken under fire by enemy artillery. Although subjected to intense small arms and artillery fire, Lieutenant Considerine remained at his observation post and adjusted the fire of his battery until its mission had been successfully completed. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

830th FA Bn

RAY E. HARKLEROAD, 54 509 225, Private, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on the night of 5-6 January 1945, in Stattenatten, Alsace, France. When the infantry company to which Private Harkleroad's forward observer party was attached was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack, and it became apparent that the enemy must be pinned down at all cost, the observer established communication and

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adjusted artillery fire from the attic of a building. Although over two hundred rounds of friendly artillery burst near and around his position, Private Harkleroad remained on guard during the entire period, protecting his observer party from attack. Entered military service from Kingsport, Tennessee.

34 Chemical Mortar Co

FRANK J. INGRISH, 31 379 000, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Chemical Mortar Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 18 January 1945, near Kuhlendorf, France. When an enemy dud shell landed among the members of a mortar crew, Private First Class Ingrish, an attached medical aid man, with complete disregard for his own safety, ran to the mortar position and, despite enemy artillery fire, carried the dud a safe distance from all personnel. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

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JAMES B. MAC DOUGALL, O 322 511, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 January 1945 to 17 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

932d FA Bn

GEORGE H. VAMOS, JR., 36 412 743, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 July 1944, in Montecatini, Italy. Assigned the mission of establishing an observation post in the town of Montecatini, Technician Fifth Grade Vamos braved heavy enemy shell fire to enter the town where he established radio communication and adjusted fire on enemy infantry and tanks a short distance away. When the hostile troops succeeded in infiltrating back into the town, Technician Fifth Grade Vamos opened fire on the enemy troops, destroying one of the T-34s and assisting in the capture of sixty-nine others. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

By command of Lieutenant General FATCH:

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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal II

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 individuals:

18th Inf Regt

ROBERT F. BLUMHAGEN, O1 297 662, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "F", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 3 November 1944, near Nompatoizo, France. When five hundred determined German infantrymen attacked over rolling and deeply indented ground, which masked their forward movement, in an attempt to overrun his company's position, Lieutenant Blumhagen dashed twenty-five yards through a hail of machine gun bullets to a tower which served as an artillery OP. In the company of another officer, he climbed to the topmost turret, despite intense artillery and self propelled gun fire which threatened to collapse the rickety structure. In full view of the enemy, he engaged the German infantry with his BAR as it advanced to within two hundred yards of his position, shooting down into the faces of the Germans, clogging the draws and ground folds with their corpses, and forcing others to flee from their defiladed positions only to be cut down by infantry fire. Their counterattack shattered, the decimated enemy withdrew, leaving approximately two hundred and fifty dead and wounded behind. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

148th Inf Regt

HECTOR J. KILREA, 36 875 409, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "H", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bennwihr, France. Spotting an enemy Mark VI tank supported by foot troops, who were heavily armed with machine guns, rifles and machine pistols, advancing slowly down the street, Sergeant Kilrea immediately grabbed an M-1 rifle and fired upon the advancing infantry. His fire caused the enemy foot troops to take cover in positions along the road and in the decreays of the houses which lined the street. The tank came to a halt eighty yards from Sergeant Kilrea's position. Despite the danger involved, he took a bazooka, ran out alone into the open street and, although the small arms protection given the tank made it extremely dangerous, stood up in full view of the enemy and fired his weapon. His first round hit the tank. He then ran into the yard, reloaded his weapon, and went out into the street. Hitting the tank again, he forced it to withdraw to a covered position behind a nearby building. He repeated the reloading procedure six times,

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with the enemy still firing at him, until the tank and its supporting troops were forced to withdraw. By his heroic action he eliminated a serious threat to his company's position. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

1484 Inf Regt

RAYMOND T. LAHAR, OI 293 612, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 9 November 1944, near Vanomont, France. While leading an assault force in an attack on a stubbornly defended enemy-held hill, Lieutenant Lahar, displaying outstanding courage, led his group in destroying the hostile outposts. By executing a brilliant outflanking maneuver, he took the enemy force completely by surprise and inflicted heavy casualties. When the enemy moved up reinforcements and infiltrated back into their original positions, Lieutenant Lahar with complete disregard for his personal safety, made a lone reconnaissance of the enemy positions. Although he was severely wounded in both legs by hostile automatic weapons fire, he ordered a litter to be built and continued to command his group. Several hours later contact was reestablished with another friendly unit and the patrol was saved. Entered military service from Newport, Vermont.

500th Inf Regt

RUDOLPH STEINMAN, 32 653 355, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "D", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 16 November 1944, near Rion L'Etape, France. When his heavy machine gun platoon was ambushed by an enemy machine gun nest and a group of twenty German riflemen, Sergeant Steinman immediately deployed one section of his platoon and ordered them to take up the fire fight. He then maneuvered to the enemy's right flank and fired his carbine into the machine gun nest, killing one German and silencing the enemy gun. His continuous fire made it impossible for the remaining Germans to re-man the machine gun. Sergeant Steinman then advanced, firing as he went, until he was in the center of the enemy. The disorganized enemy group, without the support of their machine gun and believing themselves to be surrounded, surrendered, thus allowing the platoon to advance and take up firing positions. In support of the advancing riflemen. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

1484 Inf Regt

ROBERT M. WARREN, 36 374 999, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "L", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 28 August 1944, in the vicinity of Montolinar, France. When enemy troops, supported by heavy concentrations of fire, descended from the crest of a hill to attack the third platoon and to dislodge them from their positions, Sergeant Warren, from a position which was under continuous enemy fire, fired his weapon until he had expended all of his ammunition. His well directed fire forced the enemy foot troops to withdraw to their former positions. Then, discovering that his squad leader had been severely wounded, and realizing that immediate evacuation was *okg out*

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Initiative, Sergeant Warren, with utter disregard for personal safety, left his covered position and carried his squad leader through intense enemy fire to an aid station. By his heroic actions in the face of grave danger, Sergeant Warren was instrumental in repulsing a strong enemy counterattack and in saving the life of a seriously wounded comrade. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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

24 Convalescent Hosp.

OSCAR L. CHURNEY, O18 334, Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Convalescent Hospital, from 9 September 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Rollingham, Washington.

104th Am Depot Supply Co.

GEORGE E. JOINT, O1 573 199, Major, Quartermaster Corps, *** Quartermaster Depot Supply Company, from 15 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

822d FA Bn

WALTER R. KELLER, O1 177 965, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, on 4 July 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

84th Field Hosp

ROBERT D. McVAY, O 367 676, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Field Hospital, from 20 October 1944 to 31 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

9th Evac. Hosp.

WILLIAM E. STONE, O 266 569, Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Evacuation Hospital, from 24 August 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Boonville, Missouri.

82d Medical Bn

CHARLES W. WILKINSON, JR., O24 316, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Medical Battalion, from 15 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Atlanta, Georgia.

11th Field Hosp.

TERESA A. WILKINSON, O 238 080, Lieutenant Colonel, Medical Corps, *** Field Hospital, from 15 August 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Van Wert, Ohio.

By command of Lieutenant General FATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
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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:

CHARLES PABET, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Officer, II French Corps, for gallantry in action from May to September 1944, in Italy and France. Colonel Pabet fulfilled his duties with the utmost energy and initiative, furnishing the Command at all times with indispensable communications, and personally entered the lines to exercise direct supervision of his Signal troops working in forward areas.

JULIEN GAUTIER, Lieutenant Colonel, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action from 22 to 25 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Bringing concentrated fire to bear upon the enemy positions, the Divisional Artillery, under the inspired leadership of Colonel Gautier, Division Artillery Staff Officer, was instrumental in frustrating all enemy efforts to relieve the pressure on Toulon.

ANDRE YVES GUILLARD, Lieutenant Colonel, 1st Battalion, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Levant, for gallantry in action from 16 to 30 August 1944, in France. During the Allied operations at Hyeres, Toulon and Antun, Colonel Guillard gave evidence of courage, coolness under fire and exceptional technical ability.

RENE JEAN-BAPTISTE THIEBAUX, Lieutenant Colonel, Group Headquarters, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Levant, for gallantry in action from 16 to 30 August 1944, at Hyeres and Toulon, France. Colonel Thiebaux, commanding a Heavy Artillery Group, demonstrated great technical ability and a high degree of personal courage during the assaults on the enemy strongholds of Hyeres and Toulon.

ALLARD, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, Premiere Armee Francaise for gallantry in action during the period 16 August to 14 September 1944, in France. With utter disregard for his own safety, Chef de Bataillon Allard made numerous reconnaissances in the forward areas during the army's rapid advance, in order to locate supply dumps, which, in subsequent operations, contributed materially to the success of the Allied advance from the Mediterranean to the Rhine.

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ANDRE HIPPOLYTE MICHEL BARBIER, Chef de Bataillon, 1st Bataillon de Vouaves, for gallantry in action on 6 and 7 September 1944, in France. Chef de Bataillon Barbier, at the head of his battalion, succeeded, by dint of fine leadership, in capturing the town of Chagny. The following day, after fierce fighting in Saint Berain, Chef de Bataillon Barbier, with extraordinary skill and courage, directed the mopping-up of the Moursault-Grenant-Saulles sector, capturing considerable booty and numerous prisoners.

PIERRE ANTOINE BARROU, Chef d'Escadron, 3d Regiment de Spahis Marocains, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 15 September 1944, in France. Chef d'Escadron Barrou displayed high qualities of skill and bravery in the service of his country during the liberation of Southern France. His heroic achievements have been a source of inspiration to his associates.

ANTOINE CALZARONI, Chef d'Escadron, 6th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for gallantry in action on 24-25 August 1944, in France. Chef d'Escadron Calzaroni led an attack against an enemy battery, destroying five guns and blowing up an ammunition dump. Although wounded in the conquest of the Fort of Talbousquet, he refused to be evacuated and continued to command his unit.

EMILE CEDE, Chef de Bataillon, Headquarters Company, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, on 21 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. As second-in-command of the brigade, he carefully coordinated the actions of the first battalions that broke into the City of Hyeres, France, acting with great coolness under extremely heavy fire.

JACQUES DE BERTEBECHES DE MEDITHE, Chef d'Escadron, 5th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action, on 23 August 1944, at Feyzin, France. While leading a task force against a heavily defended enemy stronghold, Chef d'Escadron Bertereche de Monditte, with outstanding personal courage, effected the successful destruction of the hostile position, capturing two hundred prisoners and large quantities of enemy materiel.

ANDRE HENRI JULES FONTENEAU, Chef d'Escadron, Headquarters II French Corps, for gallantry in action from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in France. Chef d'Escadron Fonteneau distinguished himself in his capacity as liaison officer. With a high degree of personal courage, he executed numerous missions under concentrated enemy fire, particularly during the advance up the Rhone Valley. His aggressive spirit and boundless energy proved of inestimable value in maintaining vital operational contacts.

LEON JOANNES GIRARD, Chef de Bataillon, Headquarters II French Corps, for gallantry in action from 16 to 30 August 1944, in France. Chef de Bataillon Girard on many occasions displayed a tireless

energy and a complete disregard for his own safety while effecting hazardous liaison missions in advance of his own units. Through his resourcefulness and courage he was successful in bringing back many valuable items of information.

CÉSAR ULYSSE HOMERÉ RANCUREL, Chef d'Escadron, 2d Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Levant, for gallantry in action during the period 16 to 30 August 1944, in France. Chef d'Escadron Rancurel, displaying outstanding qualities of initiative, skill and bravery, distinguished himself during the fierce combat preceding the liberation of Marseilles.

MATRICE RIGAUD, Chef de Bataillon, Groupe de Commandos d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944, in France. During the night of 14-15 August, Chef de Bataillon Rigaud carried out a five-hour reconnaissance to determine landing points on the coast of Southern France. After this vital mission had been successfully completed, Chef de Bataillon Rigaud, accompanied by one other officer, waited on the beach for the landing of his unit.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARMER A. WHITE,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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W. G. CALDWELL,
Colonel, AGP,
Adjutant General.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

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MAURICE JEAN ARDISSON, Capitaine, 2d Regiment de Cuirassiers, for gallantry in action on 17 and 27 August 1944, near Marseilles, France. Capitaine Ardisson led his troops in the liberation of the town of Le Luc on 17 August 1944, after inflicting heavy losses on the enemy, destroying three anti-tank guns and capturing twenty prisoners. On 27 August 1944, during the action at Marseilles, he displayed gallant leadership while guiding his tank formation against the strongly fortified Angelus position, effecting the surrender of this stronghold and capturing one hundred prisoners. Capitaine Ardisson was later wounded in action.

PAUL JEAN AUGÉ, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for gallantry in action on 12 September 1944, near Egot, France. Capitaine Augé, despite the hazard of enemy minefields, led his unit through the Grand Bois to hold the Vernondans-Egot road. On receiving the order to retreat, he outwitted the enemy's enveloping movement and brought his company back without loss of personnel or equipment.

PHILIPPE BENOIST, Capitaine, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944, near La Garde, France. Under the brilliant leadership of Capitaine Benoist, the accurate and deadly fire of his battery was responsible for breaking up several enemy counterattacks.

MAURICE ADOLPHE EDOUARD BENOIT, Capitaine, 1588d Genie, for gallantry in action, in France. Capitaine Benoit carried out numerous reconnaissance missions in enemy territory and displayed outstanding bravery during the Southern France Campaign, notably on 11 September 1944 when he penetrated into the Isle sur le Doubs, at that time held by the enemy and bombed by friendly troops.

ELEMENT BILLARD, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for gallantry in action, on 10 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Billard achieved complete surprise over the enemy by a bold and rapid action against the forces defending the plateau de Goux. He disorganized the enemy and compelled him to abandon a commanding position of great tactical value, and held the ground won despite violent counterattacks.

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JEAN BOURGOIN, Capitaine, 2d Brigade, Legion Etrangere of the 1st Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action during the period 16 August to 15 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Bourgoin distinguished himself by his single-handed attack, armed only with a bazooka, upon an enemy tank. In the course of this daring action, he was wounded.

JOSEPH CARDONNE, Capitaine, 15th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1944, near Sappoy, France. Capitaine Cardonne displayed extraordinary leadership during the attack on Sappoy, France. Despite violent enemy action, Capitaine Cardonne successfully led his men in an assault against the hostile positions, conducting the entire operation by himself and personally directing the fire of his company.

CHARLES CHANDESSAIS, Capitaine, 3d Regiment de Tirailleurs Algiers, for gallantry in action, on 14, 15 and 16 October 1944, near Cornimont, France. Capitaine Chandessais, while commanding the artillery in close support of the Regiment, fired more than ten thousand rounds during the three days of 14, 15 and 16 October 1944. On 15 October his accurate and devastating fire broke up a heavy enemy counterattack against Hill 709, near Cornimont, France.

ALBERT CHAROYERE, Capitaine, 4th Bataillon de Marche, 2d Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 30 August 1944, at Toulon, France. During the bombardment of Toulon, when liaison facilities had been destroyed Capitaine Charoyere volunteered to carry orders forward under heavy shell fire. His daring action exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service.

COULON, Capitaine, 3d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action on 25 August 1944, near Chateau de Mantos, France. Capitaine Coulon intrepidly led a force of two goums, a mortar platoon and a tank platoon in the outmaneuvering, assault and capture of a heavily-defended enemy force. In the course of the operation one hundred and forty-six prisoners and a considerable quantity of equipment were captured.

GASTON GEORGES HENRI DE BLANQUET DE ROUVILLE, Capitaine, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 68th Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action from 16 to 30 August 1944, in France. Capitaine de Blanquet de Rouville, acting as liaison officer, volunteered repeatedly for dangerous reconnaissance missions which enabled him to supply the Command with valuable information. In the course of one of these missions, he was seriously wounded.

JEAN DESROCCQ, Capitaine, Commandement du Gonde, 1st French Army, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 30 August 1944, in France. In his capacity as S-2 of the engineer section, 1st French

Army, Capitaine Doerocq displayed remarkable devotion to duty and voluntarily participated in dangerous missions. His efforts contributed in large measure to the capture of Toulon and the crossing of the Rhone.

LE ROY DE LANAUZE, Capitaine, Headquarters II French Corps, for gallantry in action, on 16 August 1944, in the Bay of St. Tropez France. Capitaine Le Roy de Lanauze carried out his duties, during the landings in the Bay of St. Tropez, with skill and complete disregard for his own safety.

DE SEGUINS-PAZZIS, Capitaine, 5th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action, in France. On 21 August 1944, Capitaine De Seguin-Pazzis broke through an enemy position defended by mines, numerous antitank weapons, and heavy and precise artillery. In the face of superior enemy forces, he daringly led his men a distance of four kilometers to La Valette, destroying many of the enemy on the way.

DANIEL DREYFOUS, Capitaine, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. While attached as Liaison Officer to the Infantry during the fighting at the Hotel du Golfe, Capitaine Dreyfous successfully spotted and quickly directed neutralization fire upon a number of hostile antitank weapons.

MAURICE DRILLON, Capitaine, 1st Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Toulon, France. While attached to an armored unit, Capitaine Drillon distinguished himself by clearing the passages of the Bandol viaduct in the face of heavy enemy fire.

JACQUES DUCHET-SUCHAUX, Capitaine, 71st Bataillon du Genie, for gallantry in action, in France. Captain Duchet-Suchaux displayed extraordinary bravery and daring near Toulon, from 21 August to 27 August 1944, unhesitatingly leading his troops in front of infantry and tank elements in order to secure a passage through heavy enemy mine-fields.

YVES DUPIN, Capitaine, 15th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action on 13 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Dupin led his detachment in a victorious assault on the Fort of Sappay. Throughout this important operation, Capitaine Dupin displayed extraordinary qualities of skill and bravery.

JEAN-LOUIS MARIE DURTELLE DE ST SAUVEUR, Capitaine, 5d Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action, from 5 to 13 October 1944, in France. On 5 October, Capitaine Durtelle de St Sauveur displayed fine qualities as an Infantry Officer by his skillful defense of the approaches to the Broche Pass. Between 9

and 13 October he captured, one after another, the heights of the Golan Forest. Although in continual contact with the enemy, Capitaine Durtelle de St Sauveur maintained a high esprit de corps within his unit by his unflinching cheerfulness under adverse combat conditions.

MAURICE FARRER, Capitaine, Groupe de Commandos d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 15-18 August 1944, in France. Capitaine Farrer displayed outstanding leadership in mopping-up operations in the zone separating the two beachheads of the Commandos. He successfully led his men, with utter disregard for his personal safety, in the repulse of several enemy counterattacks.

JACQUES FOUBERT, Capitaine, Compagnie de Canons d'Infanterie, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, from 16 August to 15 September 1944, at Hyeres, France. Engaging the enemy with his Cannon Company at a range of five hundred yards, Capitaine Foubert enabled an Infantry Battalion to gain a foothold in Hyeres, thus making a decisive contribution to the capture of a vital enemy stronghold.

CHEMISTE FRANCOIS, Capitaine, Divisional Infantry Draft, 5d Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, for gallantry in action on 12, 13 and 14 May 1944 in Castelforte Coreno and Esperia, Italy. During a hard-fought battle lasting three days, Capitaine Francois remained with the forward elements under withering automatic weapons and artillery fire; throughout this action he displayed a high degree of courage, inspiring the men by his splendid example.

CHARLES ANDRE CALVARAGUE, Capitaine, Headquarters II French Corps, for gallantry in action from June to September 1944, in Italy and France. Capitaine Calvarague distinguished himself particularly by his aggressive spirit and personal bravery, during the operations leading to the fall of Toulon and Marseilles.

GEORGE GEOFFROY, Capitaine, 11/03 Regiment d'Artilleurie d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Geoffroy, with utter disregard for personal safety, and despite heavy mortar fire, carried out numerous reconnaissance missions during the attack on Belincon.

RAYMOND GUERIN, Capitaine, 34th Goum of the 18th Taber, for gallantry in action on 26 November 1944 at Oberbruk, France. Capitaine Guerin led his Goum in the capture of the village of Oberbruk, despite heavy enemy resistance. Although he was wounded by enemy fire, he continued to lead his goums in the successful accomplishment of their mission.

ROBERT HUGUENET, Capitaine, 4th Battalion de Marche, 2d Brigade 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 15 September 1944, at Toulon, France. During the attack

on Toulon, Capitaine Guillaumet volunteered as liaison officer with the forward units. He displayed a high degree of courage and skill while leading a patrol in an extremely dangerous zone and succeeded in bringing back detailed and invaluable information. His brilliant leadership and total disregard for danger were in keeping with the highest tradition of the Military Service.

JACQUES GUILLERMAZ, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for gallantry in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, in Toulon, France. Despite fierce resistance of the enemy, Capitaine Guillermaz succeeded in forcing his way into the arsenal of Toulon.

LOUIS GUTH, Capitaine, 7th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Capitaine Guth, commanding a mixed patrol of Armored and Infantry elements, was assigned the difficult mission of re-establishing contact with friendly forces cut off in the center of Toulon. Headless of danger, Capitaine Guth skillfully led his men through enemy artillery and anti-tank fire in the successful accomplishment of his difficult task.

ANTOINETTE HUC, Capitaine, Groupe de Commandos, for gallantry in action on 15 August 1944, in France. Capitaine Huc displayed exceptional skill and bravery on the Canadon beachhead and in the enlargement of the bridgehead near Fayol, France. Although weakened from wounds suffered in previous engagements, he refused to be evacuated, electing to return and lead his company in subsequent operations.

LOUIS JOSEPH MARIE BERGARAVAT, Capitaine, 6th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for gallantry in action from 21 to 25 August 1944, at Solles-Ville and Toulon, France. Capitaine Bergaravat's constant attention to duty and ability in difficult liaison work enabled his commanding officer to lead his men successfully throughout important tactical operations.

HAMMOU KETTANT, Capitaine, 2d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action near Marseilles, France. Between 21 and 27 August 1944, Capitaine Kottant carried out several extremely dangerous liaison missions. Displaying courage and coolness under fire he inspired his troops to overcome stubbornly defended enemy positions.

LANGLOIS, Capitaine, 1st Brigade, Legion Etrangere, of the 1st Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, on 10 September 1944, at Autun, France. Capitaine Langlois led his Company in an attack on the rear of an enemy column. Displaying a high degree of heroism, he was able, by his personal example, to contribute largely to the success of this action, which

resulted in heavy enemy casualties and the capture of three hundred prisoners and a great quantity of materiel.

JEAN LECRIVAIN, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action in Franco. On 5 and 6 September 1944, during the attack on Fuy-St-Pierre, Capitaine Lecrivain led the foremost attacking elements. His courage and complete disregard for personal safety were an inspiration to his troops.

ALBERT MENDET, Capitaine, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for gallantry in action on 24, 25 and 26 August 1944, in Toulon, Franco. Through his superior tactical skill, Capitaine Mendet was able to bring about the surrender of the forts of Laiguellette and Salagador, capturing forty-five prisoners.

MIVILLIE, Capitaine, 13th Bataillon de Chasseurs, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action in Franco. Throughout the French Campaign, Capitaine Mivillie has been conspicuous for his complete disregard for his own safety in his unceasing efforts to bring his heavy weapons as close as possible to the enemy. On 24 August 1944, he succeeded in neutralizing an enemy pillbox by a direct hit from his anti-tank guns.

ARMAND FELLARIN, Capitaine, Headquarters 67th Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for gallantry in action in Tunisia and from June to November 1944, in Italy and Franco. Throughout these campaigns, Capitaine Fellarin rendered outstanding service both by his skill and his example, achieving remarkable and uniform results while commanding the Battalion Fire Control Post. Capitaine Fellarin frequently exhibited great courage by going forward to observation posts in the front lines in order to observe the results of important artillery concentrations. By shrewd analysis of information gathered from civilians who had passed through the lines, he succeeded, between 1 and 20 November 1944, in destroying four Battalion Command Posts and several enemy batteries by means of remarkably accurate fire.

JEAN MARIE PEON, Capitaine, 101st Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Solliis-Font and at Toulon, Franco. Capitaine Peon, with complete disregard for his own safety, supervised difficult and important engineering work throughout this action.

FRANCOIS PIERSON, Capitaine, Forces Terrestres Anti-aerennes, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action near Les Laurottes, Franco. Although Commanding Officer of an Anti-aircraft Battery, Capitaine Pierson assumed command of a detachment of Infantry. By his outstanding leadership and courage, he was responsible for the capture of one hundred and sixty-seven prisoners.

FREDERIC PIOZIN, Capitaine, 2d Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action between 16 August and 15 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Piozin displayed an extremely high degree of courage and self sacrifice in face of the enemy during this period. At Toulon, on 22 August 1944, at great personal risk and under heavy mortar fire, he succeeded in destroying two enemy machine guns which were holding up the attack.

HENRI FRABIS, Capitaine, 1st Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action from 1942 to 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Capitaine Frabis actively participated in preparations for the landings in North Africa. Later, in the Italian and French Campaigns, he distinguished himself repeatedly by his courage and devotion to duty.

ANDRE JEAN JOSEPH RONOT, Capitaine, 2d Regiment de Spahis Algériens de Reconnaissance, for gallantry in action, from 10 to 14 September 1944, in France. In the tireless and fearless pursuit of the enemy from Nuits-St. Georges to Chaumont, Capitaine Ronot succeeded in established contact with the right wing of the Allied Forces coming from Normandy, thus closing the German escape gap to the east.

ALAIN SAVARY, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, 1st Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for gallantry in action from June to November 1944, in Italy and France. Lieutenant de Vaisseau Savary, whose Troop has always been in the forefront of operations, displayed high qualities of leadership in the Italian Campaign, during the capture of Toulon, and the advance on Pelfort. His heroism at Autun contributed largely to the capture of the town and the taking of numerous prisoners.

LEOICID SCHILLING, Capitaine, 87/8 Genie, for gallantry in action on 5 and 6 September, in France. With complete disregard for his own safety, Capitaine Schilling, despite intense enemy fire, restored the bridges of Briançon and other passageways leading into the city.

JEAN GUSTAVE PIERRE CAMILLE SOLLONNET, Capitaine, Headquarters II French Corps, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 15 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Sollonnet displayed unflinching energy and dauntless courage while maintaining liaison with American units in the line and also in the course of missions in the combat zone.

JEAN STAROKY, Capitaine Aumonier, Bataillon d'Infanterie de Marine et du Pacifique, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 30 September 1944, in France. Capitaine Staroky, as Chaplain of the Battalion, consistently displayed his fearlessness in caring for the welfare of his men, repeatedly aiding and comforting them under fire and gaining the esteem and veneration of soldiers of all faiths.

ROBERT MASLE, Capitaine, Goums Marocains, for gallantry in action near Marseilles, France, from 16 August to 15 September 1944. During the battle for Marseilles, Captain Masle, with complete disregard for his personal safety, carried out several important supply missions under enemy fire. His courage and devotion to duty were greatly responsible in the successful accomplishment of those missions.

RENE TERNYNCK, Capitaine, 6th Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, for gallantry in action, in France. On 21 August 1944, Capitaine Ternynck was the first to penetrate the village of Solliès-Ville. When the enemy counterattacked and succeeded in encircling and cutting off the village, Capitaine Ternynck led his troops against stubborn enemy resistance and succeeded in throwing back the enemy. He was severely wounded by enemy bombing while regrouping his company on captured ground.

JUAN NICOLAS VAUGIEN, Capitaine, 3d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action near Marseilles and in the Vosges. On 24 August 1944, Capitaine Vaugien succeeded in taking four 75 millimeter guns and two anti-aircraft guns with all their crews and established complete mastery of the Col De La Gineste near Marseilles. He led his unit in the rapid pursuit of the enemy to Grandval. More than sixty prisoners, four of whom were officers, were taken as a result of this operation.

ROBERT VIAL, Capitaine, 21st Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, for gallantry in action, in France. On 24 August 1944, he led his company in an assault against a strongly-entrenched enemy on the southern slopes of the Baron, capturing it after extremely heavy fighting which lasted six hours. Two hundred of the enemy, including one Colonel, were taken prisoner. His energy, courage and indomitable will to win were largely responsible for the capitulation of the Fort of Malbosquet on 25 August 1944.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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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:

PIERRE ANGLADE, Lieutenant, Bataillon d'Infanterie de Marine et du Pacifique, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Motorisée d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action during 1943 and 1944, in Africa, Italy and France. Lieutenant Anglade consistently demonstrated exceptional qualities of personal bravery as leader of an Infantry Section and was wounded in action.

GEORGES BROCHON, Lieutenant, Quinzieme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action from 17 to 30 August 1944, in La Rosiere, France. During this period Lieutenant Brochon successfully held an isolated and dangerous position in the outposts on the crest of Redoute Ruince.

JOSEPH BROIZAT, Lieutenant, 3d Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for gallantry in action on 25 August 1944; near Marseilles, France. Lieutenant Broizat, with great courage, led his troops in attacking an important enemy position at Plateau de Gratto Somelle. Inspired by Lieutenant Broizat's magnificent example, his unit succeeded in seizing this position, capturing two hundred and fourteen prisoners and large quantities of enemy materiel.

PAUL JEAN DE BANES GARDONNE, Lieutenant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for gallantry in action from 16 August 1944 to 26 September 1944, in Southern France. Lieutenant de Banes Gardonne displayed a very high degree of courage during the landings in Southern France. During a surprise attack on 26 September 1944, Lieutenant de Banes Gardonne, although wounded, contributed largely to the successful neutralization of a strong enemy position.

NICOLAS DE GLOS, Lieutenant, 2d Bataillon de Chasseurs, 2d Brigade, 1st Division Motorisée d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action between 19 and 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. The magnificent leadership and exceptional courage of Lieutenant de Glos, during the fighting outside Toulon, were an inspiration to his men and contributed greatly to the success of the operation.

JOSEPH PIERRE LOUIS DES MOUTIS, Lieutenant, 3d Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action from 16 August 1944 to

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15 September 1944, in France. Lieutenant des Meutis consistently displayed great personal courage while leading his reconnaissance troop on dangerous patrols, in the course of which he secured information vital to the success of subsequent operations.

RENE DUCOS, Lieutenant, 2d Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, for gallantry in action, on 9 September 1944, at Vosne Romanee, France. After penetrating the enemy lines, Lieutenant Ducos, with his armored car troop, bypassed the strongly held town of Nuits-St-George and reached the village of Vosne Romanee, two kilometers to the rear, without being detected. Although completely isolated, Lieutenant Ducos remained in position, maintaining communications with the main body, until the next day. In the course of this brilliant action a number of prisoners were captured from an enemy column withdrawing northward, and owing to the inspired leadership of Lieutenant Ducos not a single casualty was incurred.

ANDRE FOUBERT, Lieutenant, 152d Genie, for gallantry in action from 15 August to 16 September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Foubert carried out several reconnaissance missions with the most forward tank elements, despite heavy and determined fire from the enemy. His heroism and devotion to duty have been a constant source of inspiration to his men.

MARCEL GARDAIRE, Lieutenant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for gallantry in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, in France. Lieutenant Gardaire displayed exceptional courage and outstanding bravery in an assault on an enemy battery near Six Fours, France.

CAMILLE PAUL GUSTAVE GELAS, Lieutenant, Cie de Montours No. 61/CS, for gallantry in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 October 1944, in France. Lieutenant Gelas distinguished himself by his courage and disregard for his safety in the laying of wire lines. East of Toulon he succeeded in maintaining the lines under artillery fire. In the Vosges he advanced as far as the most forward elements through densely mined and booby-trapped areas.

ROBERT AUGUSTE EUGENE GUERIN, Lieutenant, 3d Bataillon, 68th Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action, on 22 August 1944, at Peypin, France. Accompanying the 1st Zouaves, Lieutenant Guerin, with complete disregard for his own safety, remained with the hard pressed forward elements, skillfully adjusting artillery fire and giving close support to the attacking troops.

RENE GUILLEMET, Lieutenant, 101st Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action from 20 to 25 August 1944, near Salins d'Hyeres, France. Lieutenant Guillemet personally searched and neutralized an enemy mine-field. His courage and coolness were an inspiration to his troops.

DANIEL KAPFERER, Lieutenant, 5th Bataillon de Marche, 2d Brigade, 1st Division Motorisec d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, on 20 August 1944, near Hyeres, France. Lieutenant Kapferer during the attack on Mont Redon, took command of a Rifle Company whose Commanding Officer had been wounded. He led his Company to its objective with coolness and courage, in the face of violent enemy resistance. In the course of this action, in which more than sixty prisoners were taken, he was severely wounded.

ROBERT ROGER GEORGES LABEY, Lieutenant, Commanding Officer, Headquarters Security Detachment, for gallantry in action from 15 October 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the Vosges, France. Lieutenant Labey displayed great tactical skill, courage and coolness while in temporary command of a detachment during the advance in the Vosges.

LE COGNAC, Lieutenant, 2d Brigade, 1st Division Motorisec d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, on 22 August 1944, near Toulon, France. At the head of his section, Lieutenant Le Cognac attacked and seized Maravel Farm. As a result of this action, during which Lieutenant Le Cognac gave proof of the finest qualities of an infantry officer, five of the enemy were killed and twelve captured.

PIERRE MATHIEU, Lieutenant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action in France. By his courage and leadership, Lieutenant Mathieu has won the admiration and confidence of his men. On 5 and 6 September 1944, he daringly captured La Vachotto, on the Mont Genevre road, cutting the line of retreat of the enemy and inflicting heavy losses on them.

GEORGES MARIE PAOLI, Lieutenant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, in France. Displaying outstanding leadership and courage, Lieutenant Paoli succeeded in clearing out the main forts of Briancon in the face of violent enemy action.

JACQUES PETITJEAN, Lieutenant, 1st Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944, near Toulon, France. By courageous and accurate direction of his Battery's fire during the attack on Toulon, Lieutenant Petitjean contributed materially to the smashing of repeated enemy counterattacks and the capture of the city.

JEAN RIEU, Lieutenant, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action in Tunisia, Italy and France. Lieutenant Rieu particularly distinguished himself in May and June 1944, at Valentano, Italy, where he remained continually in the front line directing the fire of his mortar section. His inspiring example and faithful devotion to duty reflect the finest traditions of the Military Service.

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FRANCOIS SANTONI, Lieutenant, 3d Groupe de Tabor Marocaine, for gallantry in action on 19 May 1944, in Italy. When the commanding officer of his unit was killed at the start of the attack on Hill 216, Lieutenant Santoni, assuming control of the men, led them in destroying several enemy machine-gun nests. Despite numerous enemy counterattacks, Lieutenant Santoni rallied his men and succeeded in holding the hard won ground.

PIERRE VINCENT, Lieutenant, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action from 1 October 1944 to 15 November 1944, in France. During the operations in southeastern France, Lieutenant Vincent, commanding the Heavy Weapons Company, by his skillful and accurate fire, neutralized strongly defended enemy positions that were holding up the advance, silenced a 75 millimeter battery, and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. His inspiring leadership and accurate fire played a considerable part in the success of the unit's operations.

JACQUES BAUCHE, Enseigne de Vaisseau, 1st Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for gallantry in action at Toulon and Lyon, France. As second-in-command of a Light Tank Troop, Enseigne de Vaisseau Bauche contributed to the success of his unit's operations during the advance on and capture of Toulon and Lyon.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

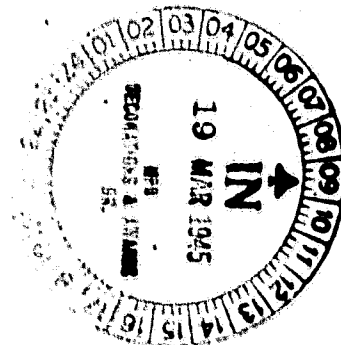
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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

BINEAU, Sous-Lieutenant, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Lieutenant Bineau's brilliant direction and execution of rapid, concentrated, artillery fire greatly aided in smashing several counterattacks, with devastating results for the enemy.

PIERRE BOEUF, Sous-Lieutenant, 1er Bataillon de Choc, for gallantry in action during the period 21 to 25 August 1944, in France. Lieutenant Boeuf displayed outstanding bravery, in the face of overwhelming enemy forces, in the liberation of Toulon, France. Disdaining enemy sniper fire, he relentlessly overcame enemy resistance in the very center of the city.

ANDRE MARCEL BOIN, Sous-Lieutenant, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale Marocaine, for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944, near La Valotte, France. While leading his tank unit in the attack on La Valotte, Lieutenant Boin, although seriously wounded in the head, courageously continued to lead his men until the important mission had been successfully accomplished.

CHARLES LOUIS COLIN, Sous-Lieutenant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for gallantry in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Colin was wounded while leading a raid which led to the capture of vital and strongly defended positions. His gallantry and superb leadership were largely responsible for the success of this operation.

MARCO AURELE DE FERRETTI, Sous-Lieutenant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action on 5 September 1944, at Soes on Tarantaise, France. Lieutenant de Ferretti skillfully led his section through heavy enemy artillery fire to approach the village from the northeast, thus cutting off the enemy's line of retreat. Lieutenant de Ferretti then proceeded to mop up the village capturing forty prisoners and a quantity of enemy materiel, including a 37 millimeter cannon and two vehicles.

EMILE HENRY DUMONT, Sous-Lieutenant, 83eme Bataillon du Genie, for gallantry in action, in France. Lieutenant Dumont demonstrated

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extreme bravery and technical skill in clearing the Dardennes bridge of mines during the attack on Toulon on 21 August 1944. By this courageous action, carried out under heavy enemy fire, he cleared the way for the armored advance in this sector. Later, he again distinguished himself by carrying out a dangerous reconnaissance at Pont de Roido on 12 September 1944, and on 11 November 1944, he took personal charge of mine clearance operations at Col du Monil, under intense enemy mortar and small arms fire.

LIEUTENANT DURRMEYER, Sous-Lieutenant, 1er Bataillon de Choc, for gallantry in action from 20 to 30 August 1944, in Toulon, France. During violent fighting in the streets of Toulon, Lieutenant Durrmeyer inflicted extremely heavy casualties on the enemy and, although greatly outnumbered, succeeded in penetrating with his platoon into the heart of the city. Throughout this operation, he displayed outstanding initiative and utter disregard for personal safety.

JEAN MARIE FRAILLERY, Sous-Lieutenant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Sollies-Ville, France. When his Commanding Officer was wounded and evacuated, Lieutenant Fraillery, although painfully wounded himself, assumed command of the unit and, displaying great personal courage, continued to lead the attack.

ROLAND GIAVANY, Sous-Lieutenant, 1er Bataillon de Choc, for gallantry in action on 22 August 1944. Lieutenant Glavany displayed outstanding leadership and courage while leading an assault against the St. Pierre powder plant. On 10 September 1944, although seriously wounded, he fearlessly continued to lead a daring night reconnaissance patrol into the western suburbs of Dijon, France.

TRISTAN GLOCK, Sous-Lieutenant, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale Marocaine, for gallantry in action from 10 to 12 September 1944, in France. Displaying outstanding bravery, initiative and judgment, Lieutenant Glock led his patrol on many dangerous reconnaissance missions.

MARCEL GUILLET, Sous-Lieutenant, Combat Command 1/13, 1ere Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action from 20 to 30 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Lieutenant Guillet, having won his commission in action, distinguished himself, by his fine qualities of leadership and fearlessness, during the attack on Toulon.

JEAN JACUEN, Sous-Lieutenant, 1ere Brigade, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action during August and September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Jacouen performed valuable and hazardous service in organizing the Forces Francaises Libres and, later, distinguished himself by his bravery during the attack on Toulon.

JOSEPH KIELETER, Sous-Lieutenant, 21^{eme} Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale, for gallantry in action on 25 August 1944, in France. During the attack on Mourillon (Toulon), Lieutenant Kieleter, because of his knowledge of the German language, voluntarily undertook to participate with the leading elements in the assault. His utter disregard for personal safety was an inspiration to all those around him. Lieutenant Kieleter was severely wounded during this action.

JEAN KORNMANN, Sous-Lieutenant, 83^{me} Bataillon du Genie, for gallantry in action. On 23 August 1944, near Notre-Dame-de-la-Carde, France, Lieutenant Kornmann, with complete disregard for his own safety, displayed great skill in the removal of mines which were impeding the advance of his platoon.

NICOLA LIBERSA, Sous-Lieutenant, 1^{er} Bataillon de Choc, for gallantry in action on 21-22 August 1944, in Toulon, France. Lieutenant Libersa, by his daring and fearless actions, contributed to the fall of the Poudriere St. Pierre, an enemy stronghold, and to the destruction of an enemy tank and several hostile troops.

JEAN MASSE, Sous-Lieutenant, Groupe de Commandos d'Afrique, for gallantry in action near Provence, France. Lieutenant Masse has shown extraordinary qualities of leadership, courage and intelligence. On 15 August 1944, he destroyed an enemy position on Cap Negro. During subsequent operations, he succeeded in clearing out the last defenders of Cap Boyrat, Chateaux de Briancon and Lloba.

JACQUES MORILLON, Sous-Lieutenant, 2^{me} Bataillon, 67^{me} Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for gallantry in action, in Italy and France. When the Battery Commander was killed in action, Lieutenant Morillon took over his command, proceeding immediately, under fire, to the observation post, where he continued the direction of the Battery. His prompt and courageous action assured the success of the attack against Loutho, on 4 September 1944.

JACQUES PIERRE PARDO, Sous-Lieutenant, 7^{eme} Bataillon du Genie for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944, in France. Lieutenant Pardo's brilliant work in neutralizing an enemy mine field was instrumental in permitting the advance of the infantry and tanks during the attack near La Valette, France.

ROGER FICQUEMAL, Sous-Lieutenant, 5^{me} Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for gallantry in action on 20 September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Ficquermal displayed extraordinary skill and bravery in leading his men against Roc Noir, France, by gaining and holding his objective despite violent enemy action.

CHARLES MERUCCI, Sous-Lieutenant, 10^{eme} Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21-23 August 1944, near the Pandol Viaduct, France. Lieutenant Merucci displayed outstanding bravery in aiding

wounded men under heavy artillery fire. He supervised the removal and neutralization of numerous enemy mines in the Cerge d'Ollioures, thus opening the way for the advance of his armored columns.

JEAN EUGENE POIREL, Sous-Lieutenant, 1ere Brigade de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action from 1942 to 1944, in Africa, Italy and France. Throughout the campaigns in Africa, Italy and France, Sous-Lieutenant Poirel has been conspicuous for his aggressive leadership and complete disregard for danger. On innumerable occasions Lieutenant Poirel's exceptional coolness under fire has been an inspiration to his men and has contributed in a marked degree to the success of Allied Operations.

LEON ROUILLON, Sous-Lieutenant, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for gallantry in action, on 22 August 1944, near Hyeres, France. Lieutenant Rouillon exhibited exceptional courage and devotion to duty, during the attack on the enemy stronghold of Hyeres, in accomplishing several hazardous liaison missions under heavy fire.

PIERRE SOULET, Sous-Lieutenant, 3me Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action on 25 August 1944, near Chateaux De Mantos, France. By his outstanding leadership, initiative and personal courage, Lieutenant Soulet successfully wiped out a firmly established enemy installation by his accurate mortar fire.

FRANCOIS STEFFENS, Sous-Lieutenant, Genie, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action during August and September 1944, in France. Lieutenant Steffens gave a fine example of fearlessness and aggressive leadership in the performance of numerous dangerous missions. Wounded once, he insisted upon returning to the head of his unit before he had completely recovered. The following day, at Ronchamp, he was seriously wounded while leading a daring attack that succeeded in clearing the way for friendly armor.

GEORGES UBERTHIER, Sous-Lieutenant, 10leme Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action, in France. Despite heavy enemy machine gun fire, Lieutenant Uberthier, on 21 August 1944 at Solles-Pont, France and again on 26 August 1944, at Toulon, France, successfully established routes of march for his unit.

ANDRE VAN RUYMBECKE, Sous-Lieutenant, Regiment Colonial de Chars de Combat, for gallantry in action from 21 to 25 August 1944, in France. As leader of a reconnaissance unit, Lieutenant Van Ruymbecke, with outstanding energy and skill, carried out vital and dangerous reconnaissance missions. Supported by a tank destroyer unit and a 105 millimeter battery, Lieutenant Van Ruymbecke successfully fought his way into Toulon and materially aided in effecting the complete destruction of the Arsenal.

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ANDRE YVES RENE VINSOT, Sous-Lieutenant, Cio de Monteurs No. 01, 01, for gallantry in action from 1942 to 1944. Lieutenant Vinsot distinguished himself in Tunisia, in Italy and in the liberation of France by his courage, daring, devotion to duty and technical skill.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH;

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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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:

MAX ALBOSPEYRE, Aspirant, 21st Bataillon de Marche, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, on 23 and 24 August 1944, in Southern France. Aspirant Albospeyre, on 23 August 1944, at Iradet, led his section in the assault on the Lin de Galles Battery, taking many prisoners. On the following day, his bold and skillful infiltration tactics north of Port Ste-Marguerite caused the capitulation of its garrison of twenty-three officers and seven hundred men.

ADMOND AVIAS, Aspirant, 101st Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action, in France. At Solliès-Font, on 21 August 1944 and again at Toulon on 24 August, Aspirant Avias led his platoon with magnificent courage and initiative.

LEON AZEMAR, Aspirant, 8th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 24 August 1944, at Toulon, France. While reconnoitering the Aiguillon district, Toulon, with his platoon, Aspirant Azemar was caught in heavy fire from enemy automatic weapons. After prolonged street fighting, his platoon, inspired by his aggressive leadership, succeeded in mopping-up the district, thus enabling the Infantry to advance.

JEAN LOUIS GUSTAVE CACHON, Aspirant, Compagnie de Construction No 61/32, for gallantry in action from 20 to 28 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Aspirant Cachon, with complete disregard for his own safety and with tireless energy, successfully maintained the forward communication lines to the Command Post during the battle for Toulon.

THOREDE CAPDASPO-COUCHE, Aspirant, 3d Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, for gallantry in action between 5 and 7 September 1944, in France. Aspirant Capdaspo-Couchet, leading a Light Tank Platoon on 5 September 1944, at Beaumelos Dames, entered the town at the head of his platoon, after having personally removed a barricade which denied access to a bridge, knocked out an armored car, and spread panic in the enemy position. Finding himself face to face with two German "Mark-IV" Tanks, he led his platoon in a quick flanking maneuver and attacked the enemy armor with incendiary

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grenades, destroying one tank and forcing the crew of the second to abandon their vehicle. Aspirant Capdaspe-Couchot was wounded in the action at Glainans, on 7 September 1944, when a grenade destroyed his tank.

JEAN CHELVEDER, Aspirant, 6th Regiment de Tirailleurs Sonogalais, for gallantry in action from 21 to 23 August 1944, in France. Aspirant Chelveder displayed remarkable qualities of leadership and complete disregard for his personal safety during the course of combat operations.

PAUL DOBRENN, Aspirant, 2d Regiment de Spahis Algeriens de Reconnaissance, for gallantry in action, between 2 and 5 September 1944, at Lyon and Givry, France. Aspirant Dobrenn distinguished himself as leader of a Reconnaissance Platoon and frequently carried out liaison missions requiring a high degree of intelligence, energy and courage. He demonstrated those qualities particularly under enemy fire, between 2 and 5 September 1944, in the fighting at Lyon and Givry.

JULIEN MARIE ESCANDE, Aspirant, 101st Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 28 August 1944, near Fort de la Grande Tour, France. After directing the work of removing mines, tank traps and barriers from the area, Aspirant Escande gallantly led his men in a successful attack on the fort.

GERARD GODEFROY, Aspirant, Regiment de Tirailleurs Sonogalais, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Solliès-Ville, France. Through exceptional tactical skill and outstanding bravery, Aspirant Godofroy inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and took eleven prisoners during the assault on Solliès-Ville.

EMILE EUGENE LAFON, Aspirant, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action, on 6 October 1944, at the Brocho lass, France. Aspirant Lafon led his section in the capture of a prepared German position after putting three enemy automatic weapons out of action. Although savagely and repeatedly counterattacked, Aspirant Lafon, with a total disregard for his own safety, held on to every foot of the ground won.

LOUIS LHOPIHAULT, Aspirant, 3d Bataillon de Zouaves, for gallantry in action on 21 September 1944, at Granges Bruloes, France. Although wounded during bitter fighting, Aspirant Lhopitault refused to be evacuated and, with outstanding courage and resourcefulness, continued to command his men until the completion of the operation.

CHRISTIAN NOIRET, Aspirant, 2d Regiment de Dragons, for gallantry in action on 8-9 September 1944, near Fontaine la More, France. Assigned the mission of establishing liaison with the Allied Armies in Clamency, Aspirant Noiret, although handicapped by difficult and dangerous terrain, succeeded in establishing the first contact between the armies of the north and south.

MAX ARTHUR LAURENT VOISIN, Aspirant, 3d Regiment de Spahis Algériens de Reconnaissance, for gallantry in action on 9 October 1944, at Thiefosse, France. Aspirant Voisin, displaying a high degree of dash and courage, led his tanks against powerful enemy forces in well-prepared positions in the houses and on the boulder-strewn hillside. His courageous action against superior enemy forces enabled the infantry to continue their advance. Aspirant Voisin was wounded during this engagement.

HENRI MARIE JOSEPH AUDOUARD, Adjudant-Chef, C.C.M. 6th Tabor, for gallantry in action in France. On 21 August 1944, during the fighting for Aubagne, Adjudant-Chef Audouard helped to repel an enemy counterattack which directly threatened the Command Post of the Tabor.

EDOUARD LASSERRE, Adjudant-Chef, 3d Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for gallantry in action, on 25 August 1944, in France. Adjudant-Chef Lasserre displayed magnificent qualities of leadership by encircling and destroying an important enemy position in the face of stubborn resistance. In this action his battalion captured five hundred prisoners, including the German Commander of the Port of Marseilles, and was instrumental in bringing about the capitulation of the city itself.

ANDRE LORIOT, Adjudant-Chef, Etat-Major des Goums Marocains, for gallantry in action in France. Wounded in Italy, Adjudant-Chef Lorient was attached to the General Staff of the Goums Marocains. During the attack on Marseilles, he distinguished himself by his courage and devotion to duty, especially on 21 August 1944, at which time Adjudant-Chef Lorient successfully carried out an important mission under heavy enemy fire.

LEON PAIRIS, Adjudant-Chef, 58th Goum, for gallantry in action, in France. Adjudant-Chef Pairs particularly distinguished himself on 27 August 1944, during the fighting for Aubagne, when his heavy weapons went to the support of a platoon which had been counter-attacked by the enemy. Adjudant-Chef Pairs displayed great coolness and courage under violent enemy bombardment, despite severe wounds incurred during this action.

FERNAND RICHARD, Adjudant-Chef, 3d Bataillon de Evouves, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, at Aubagne, France. Adjudant-Chef Richard distinguished himself by his inspiring courage and heroism. After his section leader had become a casualty, Adjudant-Chef Richard, on his own initiative, continued with the mission under extremely difficult conditions. Although subjected to concentrated enemy artillery and violent counterattack, he held the ground gained. His outstanding courage and leadership are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

PIERRE ROUAN, Adjudant-Chef, 3d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action. Although wounded at Cressano Pass, Italy, Adjudant-Chef Rouan refused to be evacuated and continued to participate in all subsequent operations. Since landing in France, he has displayed outstanding qualities of leadership and devotion to duty, skillfully carrying out all missions entrusted him.

YVES NOHEN, 1er Maître Fusilier, 1st Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for gallantry in action on 23 August 1944, at La Garde, France. This courageous Non-Commissioned Officer, heedless of his own safety, skillfully directed the fire of his platoon in support of the advancing Infantry, enabling the latter to reach its objective.

AMARA BEN HANNA, Adjudant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Tunisiens, for gallantry in action on 10 September 1944, at Goux-les-Damblin (Doubs), France. Adjudant Amara Ben Hanna, while leading two squads in close support of a light tank, courageously and without hesitation attacked an enemy greatly superior in numbers. The audacity of his actions forced the enemy to retreat in disorder. Adjudant Amara Ben Hanna then pursued the enemy, inflicting severe losses and capturing nine prisoners. His fearless determination and devotion to duty reflect the finest traditions of the military service.

FIRMIN DARNAND, Adjudant, 8th Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 20 August 1944, at La Crau, France. In the fighting at La Crau, Adjudant Darnand displayed exceptional coolness and courage while carrying out a number of hazardous liaison missions between the unit Command Post and the front line Infantry.

RHE DUPONT, Adjudant, 4th Bataillon de Marche, 1st Division Motorisée d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, on 21 September 1944, at Lyonfais, France. When his section was held up by strong enemy forces, Adjudant Dupont inspired his men by his aggressive leadership and total disregard for danger. Using his carbine with extreme coolness under heavy fire, Adjudant Dupont killed nine of the enemy.

ROBERT GUILLIUX, Adjudant, 2d Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action on 3 November 1944, near Rochesson, France. Adjudant Guilloux led a daring patrol to the approaches of Rochesson and returned with valuable information which was an important factor in inflicting serious losses on the enemy.

HILS LAROUSSE, Adjudant, 65th Goum; 3d Tabor, for gallantry in action, in France. On 26 August 1944, in the fighting for Tanto Rose, the commander of his Goum was killed. Adjudant Larousse, with

the help of one of his comrades, succeeded in bringing back the body of the deceased commander despite heavy enemy pressure.

PAUL LONCOL, Adjutant, 4th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for gallantry in action on 9 September 1944, near the Lomont Mountains, France. Adjutant Loncol, under heavy shell fire and at great personal risk, led two patrols to the intersection of National Highway 73 and the Tournedos Road. His exceptional coolness under fire and brilliant leadership were an inspiration to his men.

JEAN MARTIN, Adjutant, 1/2 Brigade de Choc, for gallantry in action on 9 and 10 September 1944, near Dijon, France. While leading his patrol through the Dijon area, Adjutant Martin was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire. He succeeded in killing the machine gunner and silencing the enemy gun, then personally carried his wounded lieutenant back to the lines.

LEON MERCHEZ, Adjutant, 22d Goum, 17th Tabor, for gallantry in action in Italy and France. Adjutant Merchez distinguished himself during Allied Operations in Italy. On 25 June 1944, he brilliantly led his men across the Parma River and surprised the enemy from the rear, capturing a machine gun and destroying its crew.

ANTOINE ROCAMORA, Adjutant, 7th Regiment de Tirailleurs Algériens, for gallantry in action, on 7 October 1944, at La Vrille, Vosges, France. Adjutant Rocamora was seriously wounded while leading an attack on strongly defended enemy positions. His outstanding courage and devotion to duty during the attack were an inspiration to his men.

ETIENNE SAULI, Adjutant, 24th Bataillon de Marche, 4th Brigade, 1st Division Motorisée d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 15 September 1944, in France. Adjutant Sauli, heedless of his own safety, crossed a mine field to go to the aid of his Captain, who had been wounded. He was himself seriously wounded while carrying this officer to a place of safety.

HENRI SERVOIN, Adjutant, 65th Goum, 3d Tabor, for gallantry in action in France. On 26 August 1944, in the fighting for Tanto Rose, the commander of his Goum was killed. Adjutant Servoin, with the help of one of his comrades, despite the heavy enemy pressure, succeeded in bringing back the body of the deceased commander. Adjutant Servoin suffered wounds during the course of this action.

EUGENE VERRON, Adjutant, 1st Groupe de Tabors Marocains, for gallantry in action on 26 August 1944, near Moulin du Diabolo, France. By his outstanding leadership, Adjutant Verron established his mortar battery under concentrated enemy artillery and, through well aimed fire, inflicted serious losses on the enemy, thus opening the way for advancing friendly troops.

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YVES MARIE JEAN VIALARD, Adjudant, 71st Bataillon du Genie, for gallantry in action from 16 August to 15 September 1944, in France. After the death of his Commander, Adjudant Vialard assumed command of his unit and, although wounded himself, led his men in the attack on Fort d'Artigues under heavy enemy fire.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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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:

MAURICE BURGUN, Sergeant-Chef, 101eme Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action from 20 to 28 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Sergeant-Chef Burgun participated in the assault against the Fort de la Grande Tour du Mourillon at Toulon. Encircled and lacking ammunition, Sergeant-Chef Burgun rallied his men and, using weapons and ammunition which they had captured, broke through the enemy lines.

ALBERT ADRIEN DUVAL, Sergeant-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action, on 28 August 1944, near Aubagne, France. Sergeant-Chef Duval, with great enterprise and daring, assumed the leadership of a detachment whose commander had just been killed. Under the brilliant leadership of Sergeant-Chef Duval, the detachment attacked and captured a strongly defended enemy position.

LEON JOSE BORGUES, Sergeant-Chef, 17eme Tabour Parachute, 85eme Group, for gallantry in action, in France. On 25 August 1944, Sergeant-Chef Borgues led his platoon in the assault on the fortified position of Chateau de Bonacoline. Although twice wounded, he continued to press forward. Despite a third serious wound, Sergeant-Chef Borgues calmly and courageously directed the action of his men, under heavy mortar and small arms fire. His courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to his troops.

EMMANUEL FRANCOIS, Sergeant-Chef, 1/3 Brigade de Choc, for gallantry in action on 21-22 August 1944, in Toulon, France. During the street fighting in Toulon, Sergeant-Chef Francois, disregarding enemy sniper fire, succeeded in blocking the entrance to an enemy arsenal despite the violent efforts of a numerically superior enemy.

EDMOND GOETS, Sergeant-Chef, Compagnie du Genie No. 28/3, for gallantry in action, on 28 August 1944, at Cadolive, France. When a nearby machine gunner was seriously wounded by intense enemy fire, Sergeant-Chef Goets, with complete disregard for his own safety and, despite heavy enemy automatic fire, immediately manned the weapon and engaged the enemy.

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PIERRE PATTEI, Sergent-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action from 15 August to 9 October 1944, in France. Sergent-Chef Pattei consistently displayed a high degree of courage and devotion to duty during the landing in Southern France and, later, in the fighting in Provence and Eastern France.

JEAN RONDI, Sergent-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for gallantry in action, on 23 August 1944, at Marsailles France. Sergent-Chef Rondi displayed an exceptionally high degree of courage and self sacrifice by going to the rescue of a Non-Commissioned Officer of a neighboring section who was lying seriously wounded near the enemy lines. Sergent-Chef Rondi, under a hail of automatic fire, succeeded in rescuing the Non-Commissioned Officer and, by his courageous action, was instrumental in saving the wounded man from certain death.

MAURICE BAILLET, Sergent, Bataillon de Choc, for gallantry in action from 21 to 24 August 1944, and on 10 September 1944, at Toulon, France. During the street fighting in Toulon, France, Sergent Baillet displayed a fearless and aggressive spirit, killing eleven of the enemy with his sub-machine gun and taking eight prisoners. On several occasions he successfully attacked the enemy in order to permit the evacuation of wounded comrades. On 10 September 1944, while covering a flanking movement by his section, Sergent Baillet was seriously wounded during the action that took place on the outskirts of Dijon.

LUCIEN ROBERT PELLOTTE, Maréchal-des-Logis-Chef, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for gallantry in action on 8 and 9 September 1944, near Etang-sur-Arroux, France. Displaying great coolness under fire, Maréchal-des-Logis-Chef Pelotte directed the fire of a Tank-Destroyer Battalion against an enemy column which was attacking the crossroads at Fontaine-la-More, north of Etang-sur-Arroux, France.

PIERRE CHABOT, Sergent, 101eme Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, in France. Although wounded by a shell burst, Sergent Chabot, displaying outstanding endurance and courage, remained with his platoon, and, with the aid of four sappers, captured seven of the enemy.

ROLAND PAUL CLAVERIE, Sergent, 71eme Bataillon du Genie, for gallantry in action from 20 to 30 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Although severely wounded while leading his men in the attack on Fort d'Artigues, Sergent Clavierie, displaying great personal courage refused to be evacuated until the objective had been seized.

EMILE MANDIN, Sergent, 1er Bataillon du Genie, 1ere Division Motorisée d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, from 20 to 23 August 1944 in France. Sergent Mandin displayed an exceptional degree of courage and resourcefulness while directing the clearing of mines

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from the Capou Crossing. While commanding a wire cutting party on 23 August 1944, on which occasion he gave further proof of his outstanding leadership, Sergeant Mandin was seriously wounded.

MOREAU, Sergeant 1er Bataillon du Genie, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for gallantry in action, during the period 20 to 23 August 1944, in France. Sergeant Moreau gave a magnificent example of fearlessness and self-sacrifice while leading a mine-clearance detachment at the Capou crossing. He exhibited the same splendid qualities during the attack on Marsane on 23 August 1944, when he was seriously wounded while leading a wire-cutting detachment.

ANGEL VILLARD, Caporal-Chef 101eme Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Sollies-Font, France. Caporal-Chef Villard, an outstanding squad leader, displayed the finest qualities of leadership and devotion to duty.

EMILE BENVENUTI, 1ere Classe 71eme Bataillon du Genie, for gallantry in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Wounded twice during the attack on Fort d'Artigues, 1ere Classe Benvenuti bravely refused to be evacuated until the operation had been completed.

HADJ BOURALI, 1ere Classe, 101eme Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Pandol, France. Armed only with his bayonet, 1ere Classe Bourali, displaying outstanding courage and initiative, singlehanded, captured four of the enemy.

CHARLES HAVER, 1ere Classe, 2eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action from June to September 1944, in Italy and France. 1ere Classe Haver distinguished himself, by his gallant conduct during the assault on Fort Lamalgue, Toulon, France, where, with complete disregard for his personal safety, he attacked a desperately defended enemy position.

MICHEL MASSON, 1ere Classe, 2eme Regiment de Cuirassiers, for gallantry in action, on 7 September 1944, near Beaune, France. 1ere Classe Masson was driving his tank in an attack when it was hit by a 75 millimeter shell. With rare coolness and courage he succeeded in driving his tank out of enemy artillery range saving it from certain destruction.

GASTON FELIX BLANC FINGET, 2eme Classe, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for gallantry in action during the night of 8-9 September 1944, near the Fontaine-la-More crossroads, France. 2eme Classe Blanc Finget rushed to the aid of a group of tanks which were under enemy attack. He dispatched one of the enemy and forced several others to retreat.

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LEON CONTINI, 2eme Classe, 1/2 Brigade de Choc, for gallantry in action on 22 August 1944, near Toulon, France. As machine gunner, 2eme Classe Contini displayed exceptional skill and bravery during his unit's attack on the St. Pierre powder plant. Setting up his gun at the entrance, he inflicted numerous casualties among the enemy throughout the entire action.

MARCEL MORALES, 2eme Classe, 101eme Regiment du Genie, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, near Toulon, France. 2eme Classe Morales distinguished himself by his outstanding courage and devotion to duty.

RENE OLIVIER, 2eme Classe, 1/2 Brigade de Choc, for gallantry in action in Toulon, France, from 21 August 1944 to 10 September 1944. 2eme Classe Olivier demonstrated remarkable coolness and courage under fire during this period. Always eager to volunteer for reconnaissance missions behind the enemy lines, 2eme Classe Olivier distinguished himself through skill in handling his weapons and the accuracy of his fire.

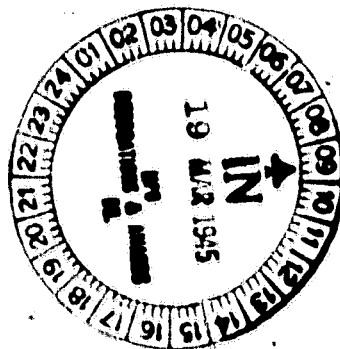
BARTHOLOME PORTERO, 2eme Classe, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for gallantry in action on 21 August 1944, at La Pomme, France. 2eme Classe Portero displayed remarkable courage by moving under fire to an American Tank Destroyer and pointing out to its commander an enemy gun that he had located.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
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I -- AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, the Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded, posthumously, by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

~~7th Inf Regt~~
MACARIO J. GALLARDO, 38 578 217, Private, Infantry, Company "L", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 28 October 1944, near Maramossa, France. When his platoon's advance up the steep slopes of a boulder and pine covered mountainside was halted by withering machine gun and small arms fire from an enemy force dug in around the crest, Private Gallardo worked his way forward alone to within ten yards of a German machine gun position. While tracers ricocheted off the rocks he used for protection, Private Gallardo hurled two hand grenades into the hostile gun pit, silencing the weapon and killing both of the crew. Jumping into the emplacement, he engaged a second German machine gun with his M-1 rifle at fifteen yards range. Unable to destroy the enemy by flat trajectory fire, he called back for more grenades. His comrades lobbed hand grenades into his position. He then threw two grenades, knocking out both the machine gun and its crew. As he inserted a clip in his M-1 and aimed at a third enemy machine gun position, he was killed by sniper fire. Next of Kin: Mrs. Josephina M. Gallardo (Wife), 514 South El Paso Street, El Paso, Texas.

~~100th Inf Regt~~
JOHN C. GAZZETTI, 32 204 829, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "C", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 28 October 1944, near Fromifontaine, France. While leading his squad against a fiercely resisting enemy force, Sergeant Gazzetti was wounded in the neck by an enemy rifle bullet. Refusing to stop for medical attention, he fearlessly continued to lead his squad until too weak to continue on. Despite the intense pain and loss of blood, Sergeant Gazzetti refused to be evacuated and remained to assist the other wounded members of his platoon. While rendering first aid to one of the casualties, he was killed by enemy fire. Sergeant Gazzetti's heroic and determined leadership inspired his men to gain their objective and exemplifies the finest traditions of the Army of the United States. Next of Kin: Mrs Lena Gazzetti (Mother), 2113 Belmont Avenue, Bronx, New York.

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GEORGE A. GRANDO, 39 212 214, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 31 October 1944, near Maramossa, France. While leading his squad in an attack across bare, coverless ground, Sergeant Grando encountered withering machine gun crossfire from German positions thirty-five yards to his right front. The men of his squad hit the ground, but they were unable to find cover. His BAR team killed, his five riflemen wounded, Sergeant Grando grimly continued the fight alone. Kneeling in full view of the enemy, he fired his tommy-gun at the two German machine gun positions. When his last round of ammunition was spent, Sergeant Grando crawled five yards through a hail of machine gun and sniper fire to wrench a BAR from his dead gunner's grasp. Before he could engage the enemy a burst of machine gun fire struck him. Mortally wounded, with only seconds of life remaining, Sergeant Grando fired two magazines of BAR ammunition into the hostile positions, silencing both machine guns and killing their crews before he died. By his tenacity and determination he enabled his platoon to resume its advance and forced the remaining enemy troops to surrender. Next of Kin: Mrs. Anna Grando (Mother), Box 236, Vador, Washington.

~~17th Inf Regt~~

ANDREW T. OLSON, 37 178 218, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 7 September 1944, near Branno, France. During an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage which inflicted numerous casualties on his company, Technician Fifth Grade Olson, displaying outstanding bravery, fearlessly moved about the area to aid the wounded. While so engaged, he was wounded by a shell fragment, but, disregarding his painful wound, he continued administering first aid, successfully treating and evacuating four seriously injured men. Refusing medical attention until all others had been cared for, Technician Fifth Grade Olson again moved into the area and, despite intense artillery and mortar fire, continued his heroic actions until killed by an enemy shell burst. His indomitable courage and complete disregard for personal safety, in the face of enemy fire, reflect the finest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Next of Kin: Mrs. Lilly Olson (Mother), 1148 First Avenue, South East, Rochester, Minnesota.

IT - 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:

~~7th Inf Regt~~

PATRICK A. ADAMS, 01 299 976, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "I", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 29 August 1944, north of Montelinar, France. When one of his scouts was seriously wounded by machine pistol fire, Lieutenant Adams, although afflicted with a knee injury, crawled forward, and,

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Jumping into the machine pistolman's foxhole, seized him by the throat and took him prisoner. Inspired by his example, his platoon attacked, killing six Germans. After combing out two enemy-held buildings and taking forty more prisoners in the process, Lieutenant Adams led his platoon forward through a concentration of mortar fire and took five more prisoners in a third house. Under his relentlessly aggressive leadership, the men of his platoon, although exhausted from incessant marching and fighting, overwhelmed three successive German strongpoints, killing six and capturing approximately fifty of the enemy. Entered military service from Orangeburg, South Carolina.

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✓ LLOYD H. COTTER, O1 200 284, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 88th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 9 November 1944, near Nompatisse, France. When five hundred determined German infantrymen advanced in an attack over rolling and deeply indented ground, Lieutenant Cotter directed effective fire on the advancing enemy force until the concussion from a close mortar shell burst knocked him off the platform which he was using as an observation post. He fell twelve feet and momentarily lost consciousness. Regaining consciousness, he returned to his post and fired on the enemy alternately with a BAR and an M-1 rifle, while continuing to direct cannon fire. Determined to destroy the OI, the Germans smashed the roof with direct artillery hits and perforated the flimsy walls of the tower with SF and machine gun fire. In full view of the enemy, Lieutenant Cotter shot Germans in the ditches and the gullies, placed destructive cannon fire on those echeloned to the rear, and continued his destructive attack until darkness intervened to save the battered remnants of the hostile force. Their counterattack shattered, the Germans withdrew, leaving approximately two hundred and fifty dead and wounded. Entered military service from San Bernardino, California.

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✓ WALTER D. COHEN, S7 542 670, Private, Infantry, Company "B", 88th Armored Infantry Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 27-28 November 1944, near Gortsweiler, France. When Private Cohen spotted a machine gun which was firing with deadly accuracy on his platoon, he fearlessly left his sheltered position and crawled through intense enemy automatic weapons fire to within twenty-five yards of the hostile emplacement. From this position he hurled a hand grenade, demolished the position, killed two of the enemy and captured one prisoner. Later, when his platoon was cut off from the rest of the company, Private Cohen volunteered to go through the German lines to obtain vitally needed machine gun ammunition. Working his way some eight hundred yards to the company command post, he loaded himself with several machine gun belts and, despite the great weight, crawled, ran, and dodged his way back to the isolated platoon as the last rounds of ammunition were being

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fired. By his extraordinary heroism and courageous actions, Private Cohen was directly responsible for saving two platoons from certain annihilation or capture. Entered military service from Abordino, South Dakota.

1444 Inf Regt

EDWARD L. SMITH, 31 422 033, Private First Class, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 44th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 12 December 1944, in Solostat, France. When hostile troops overran one of his company's outpost positions, during a fierce enemy attack, Private First Class Smith, disregarding enemy sniper fire, worked his way to a building where, yelling through a window, he ordered twenty-five Germans to surrender. Then, taking four of the prisoners with him as litter bearers, he moved toward a wounded comrade who had been left in an exposed area a short distance away. As he approached the injured soldier, a German in a nearby ditch raised his rifle to fire. Private First Class Smith quickly ordered him to surrender; fourteen additional enemy soldiers dropped their weapons and followed the German out of the trench. Using four of the prisoners as litter bearers, Private First Class Smith then evacuated his wounded comrade and brought the entire group back to his platoon. His aggressive actions and outstanding bravery materially aided in successfully repelling a strong enemy attack. Entered military service from Hyde Park, Suffolk, Massachusetts.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

3 March 1945

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- Award of the First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal. I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II
- Award of the Purple Heart III
- Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. IV

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

~~1st Signal Co~~

✓ JON J. DOLLAR, 35 012 826, Master Sergeant, Signal Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, *** Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and Southern France. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio. *

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

~~630th FA Co~~

✓ JAKE G. GLASS, '34 011 316, Corporal, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Kombs, Alsace, France. Assigned the mission of securing observation and placing fire on an enemy stronghold, Corporal Glass accompanied the observer to the tower of a building which was under direct enemy observation. Although exposed to heavy enemy small arms fire, Corporal Glass remained at his post and assisted the observer in successfully adjusting fire on the enemy position until the mission had been completed. Entered military service from Raleigh, North Carolina. *

III- AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals for wounds received in action on 1 February 1945, in France:

~~393d Medical Collecting Co.~~

✓ MICHAEL F. CASALETTO, 32 906 659, Private First Class, Medical Department, *** Medical Collecting Company. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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✓ MORRIS C. NIDAY, 35 206 659, Private First Class, Medical Department, *** Medical Collecting Company. Entered military service from Ansted, West Virginia.

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✓ ROBERT L. SIMON, 36 744 078, Private, Medical Department, *** Medical Collecting Company. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

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

THE 661ST ENGINEER TOPOGRAPHIC COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks from 1 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in Italy and France.

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- Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
- Award of the Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal II
- Award of the Air Medal III
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Correction in General Orders). IV

I -- 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 individual:

4th Machine Records Unit (Mobile)
MILFORD A. NEWMAN, 36 211 922, Master Sergeant, Adjutant General's Department, *** Machine Records Unit (Mobile), for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 28 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Watertown, Wisconsin.

II - 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 individuals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

AWARD OF THE SIXTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

1944th FA Group
JOHN GALL, 01 176 633, Captain, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Group, from 7 July 1944 to 5 September 1944, in Italy. Entered military service from Wheeling, West Virginia.

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK-LEAF CLUSTER

6304th FA Bn
PHILIP J. SCHOOF, 01 182 246, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 20 November 1944 to 18 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Romeo, Michigan.

6304th FA Bn
ALBERT E. SEPERACK, 01 183 762, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Field Artillery, Battery "A", *** Field Artillery Battalion, from 16 November 1944 to 8 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Bridgeport, Connecticut.

III - 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:

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~~36th FA Group~~

GORDON BENT, O 440 400, Captain (then First Lieutenant), Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Group, from 5 May 1944 to 13 February 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Lake Forest, Illinois.

~~34th AAA Group~~

OK { IV - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. So much of Sect. II, General Orders No. 48 this Headquarters, c.s., as reads OSCAR F. WILSON, 37 441 831, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, corrected to read, JOSEPH R. WILSON, 34 136 263, Master Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps.

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7 March 1945

Award of the Silver Star. I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II
Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Correction in General Orders) III

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 individual:

~~77th FA Bn~~

CARLO BINI, 32 119 043, Private, Field Artillery, Battery "B", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 15 March 1944, in the vicinity of Anzio, Italy. When he learned, during an intense enemy artillery barrage, that one of his comrades had been seriously wounded, Private Bini, with utter disregard for his own safety, dashed across open terrain to where the wounded man lay. Once there, he helped administer first aid, then assisted in carrying the wounded man to a vehicle for removal to a hospital. His courage and effective performance under fire, at the risk of his own life, aided materially in saving the life of a wounded comrade. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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

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JOHN C. P. AGNEW, O 414 269, Captain, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 25 July 1944 to 1 November 1944, in Corsica and France. Entered military service from Anderson, South Carolina.

~~4th Machine Records Unit (Mobile)~~

EUGENE A. BRENNAN, 32 093 743, Technical Sergeant, Adjutant General's Department, *** Machine Records Unit (Mobile), for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 2 August 1944 to 28 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

~~Inf. 7th Army~~

JAMES E. BRYAN, JR., O 381 951, Major, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 1 November 1944, in France. Entered military service from Calhoun, Louisiana.

~~630th FA Bn~~

LEO J. DEROCY, 31 023 505, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Battery "C", *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Kembs, Alsace, France. While a member of the Battery Forward Observer Detail which had established an OP in a tower which was under direct enemy observation, Technician Fourth Grade Deroey, radio operator, despite

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intense enemy automatic weapons and rifle fire, remained at his post, maintaining communications with his battery until its mission had been successfully completed. Entered military service from Burrillville, Rhode Island.

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PAUL DICKSON, O 399 695, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters Army, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 8 August 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Raeford, North Carolina.

114th AGF Band

JACK D. KRUSENSTJERNA, 16 033 544, Technician Fourth Grade, Adjutant General's Department, Army Ground Forces Band, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 May 1943 to 31 December 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Sioux City, Iowa.

No. 7th Army

JACOB LAX, 32 323 413, Technician Third Grade, Infantry, Headquarters Army, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 31 July 1944 to 1 December 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

✓ III- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL. So much of Section II, General Orders No. 5, this Headquarters, c.s., as reads PIERRE AXELRAD, Sous Lieutenant, French Army, is corrected to read, ALBERT-JOSE AXELRAD, Sous Lieutenant, French Army.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 83)

8 March 1945

Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Silver Star II
Award of the First Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal III

I -- 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 individuals:

JOHN J. KELLY, 42 103 078, Sergeant, Infantry, Company "F", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. At about 1030 hours on 1 December 1944, during an attack upon a German bridgehead in the city of Strasbourg, France, Sergeant Kelly elected to give his life to destroy an enemy machine gun position. Ordering his decimated and weary squad to follow him, Sergeant Kelly charged across seventy-five yards of flat, exposed terrain toward an enemy strongpoint in and around a public building. When ankle-high, grazing machine gun fire inflicted multiple wounds on both of his legs, Sergeant Kelly continued to stagger forward, although only one man of his squad followed, for an additional thirty-five yards. Advancing through machine gun fire, he reached a platform twenty-five yards from his objective and took cover behind it. When his assistant requested permission to fire a rifle grenade at the German machine gun emplacement, Sergeant Kelly refused on the grounds that the risk was too great. Although every movement he made was a signal for a fresh burst of machine gun fire and renewed sniper activity, Sergeant Kelly pulled the pin of a hand grenade and, rising on his wounded legs to a standing position, hurled it into the German position twenty-five yards away. As he fell back mortally wounded by machine gun fire, his hand grenade exploded, destroying the gun position and the two-man German crew. Refusing to allow his assistant to give him aid, he again urged his squad to move forward in the attack. As his men charged into the German strongpoint, killing four and capturing one of the enemy, Sergeant Kelly died. Next of Kin: Mrs. Margaret Kelly (Mother), 1477 - 9th Avenue, San Francisco, California.

SILVIO SESSA, 31 331 415, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "G", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 30 October 1944, near St. Jacques, France. When his platoon's radio was destroyed by artillery fire, severing all communications, Private First Class Sessa ran fifty yards through machine gun fire which nicked his helmet to deliver a message to the Company Command Post. Plunging into a draw, he encountered nine German Infantrymen and immediately engaged them in a fire-fight, killing two, wounding four and putting the rest to flight. After delivering his message, Private First Class Sessa, acting without orders, moved to assault a camouflaged machine gun position to the front of his platoon. Dashing fifty yards through

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intense fire, Private First Class Sessa flanked the machine gun, crawled up a slope to within fifteen feet of the enemy position, and, with three hand grenades, destroyed the gun and its five-man crew. As he returned to his platoon, he was killed by a sniper's bullet. Next of Kin: Mrs. Lucy Sessa (Wife), 23 Ann Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

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 individual:

HAROLD S. GANO, 35 676 529, Private First Class, Chemical Warfare Service, Company "B", ~~4th~~ Chemical Mortar Battalion, for gallantry in action on 20 January 1945, near Rittershoffen, France. While intense enemy machine gun and tank fire was being directed against his forward OP, Private First Class Gano, radio operator, courageously remained at his post in order to maintain communications and enable his company to complete its firing missions. As a result of his fearless devotion to duty the enemy suffered numerous casualties and lost much valuable equipment. Entered military service from Georgetown, Kentucky.

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

PAUL R. ROSEBERRY, 15 013 688, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, ~~4th~~ Signal Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 7 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in France. Entered military service from Youngstown, Ohio.

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- Award, Posthumous, of the Bronze Star Medal I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for heroic achievement. II
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious service III

I -- 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 the following named individual:

MAICHEL HAZAN, Sous-Lieutenant, Commandement du Genie, 2eme Corps d'Armee, for heroic achievement in action during August 1944, in France. Sous-Lieutenant Hazan, although of an age at which he might have assumed a less active role, volunteered for service with the Army of the Liberation. He was a model of the finest military virtues, conducting himself at all times with a selfless devotion to duty. Sous-Lieutenant Hazan met his death accidentally while on active service.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR HEROIC ACHIEVEMENT. 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:

JEAN F. AUMONT, Aspirant, Liaison Officer, Liaison, Quartier General No. 50, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, in France. Aspirant Aumont conducted himself with conspicuous bravery in the first wave of the Allied landings on the French Mediterranean Coast.

MARIE MAURICE PIERRE LOUIS DE WAINESQUIEL, Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 2eme Corps d'Armee, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, in Southern France. Lieutenant de Wainesquiell, participating in the landing operations, manifested the utmost courage and disregard for personal safety in the performance of hazardous missions under enemy fire.

ANDRE FAUVART, Sargent-Chef, Quartier General No. 50, for heroic achievement in action from 20 to 28 August 1944, in Southern France. Sargent Fauvart displayed, in the fulfillment of his duties, a high sense of integrity and selfless devotion which exemplify the finest traditions of the Military Service.

DORIS MALKOV, Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 2eme Corps d'Armee, for heroic achievement in action on 1st August 1944, in Southern France. Lieutenant Malkov, acting as interrogator of prisoners of war, exhibited great courage and coolness under fire while carrying out his missions in the front line, and obtained information of the greatest tactical importance.

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PIERRE GASTON MOINOT, Sous-Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 2eme Corps d'Armees, for heroic achievement in action on 27 September 1944, at Tillet Farm, Southern France. Sous-Lieutenant Moinot displayed great courage and coolness under fire during the fight for Tillet Farm, France.

RENE FIGOIS, Sergent, Quartier General No. 50, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in Southern France. Sergent Figois displayed, in the fulfillment of his duties, a high sense of integrity and selfless devotion which exemplify the finest traditions of the Military Service.

DIDIER PIERRE VINCENT EVARISTE TIXIER, Sous-Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 2eme Corps d'Armees, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 28 August 1944. During operations which resulted in the fall of Toulon and Marseille, France, Lieutenant Tixier displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty.

III- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

GERARD BROUSSIE, Adjudant-Chef, Quartier General, 1er Corps d'Armees, during 1944, in Corsica, Italy and France.

JACQUES BRUNET, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 1ere Armees Francaise, from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France.

MICHEL SYLVAIN ALEXANDRE MASTOR CASTEX, Medecin-Colonel, 2eme Corps d'Armees, from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in France.

YVONNE C. PHILIP, Capitaine, Commandement du Genie, 1ere Armees Francaise, from May 1943 to September 1944, in Tunisia, Italy and France.

MORE CHABERT, Capitaine, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armees, from January 1944 to September 1944, in Corsica and Italy.

MORE CHENOUD, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armees, from May 1943 to October 1944, in Tunisia, Italy and France.

ELIE LOUIS EUGENE DANIEL, Sous-Lieutenant, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armees, from 1 July 1944 to 20 September 1944, in Italy and France.

PAUL LEO FRANCIS MARY DOYNE DE L. SAUSSEHE, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armees, from July to October 1944, in Italy and France.

MICHEL RIXOU, Lieutenant Colonel, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armees, from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in France.

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MAURICE PASSY, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 1ere Armee Francaise, from 15 August 1944 to 15 November 1944, in France.

JEAN-BAPTISTE LOUIS GALERON, Lieutenant Colonel, Commandement du Genie, 2eme Corps d'Armee, from 16 August 1944 to 31 October 1944, in France.

ROBERT TUGENNE MARIE HURT, Chef d'Escadron, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armee, from May to October 1944, in Italy and France.

LOUIS JAY, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 1ere Armee Francaise, from 16 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

HENRI JOSEPH JOOS, Lieutenant, 2eme Bureau, Etat-Major, 1ere Armee Francaise, from May 1943 to October 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France.

JACOBS JULIEN, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 2eme Corps d'Armee, from 16 August 1944 to 30 October 1944, in France.

LEON JURY, Intendant Militaire de 1ere Classe, Chef de l'Intendance, 2eme Corps d'Armee, from 16 August to 30 September 1944, in France.

JEAN LEBILLIER, Capitaine, Quartier General No. 50, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in France.

PAUL MANQIN, Marochal-des-Logis, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armee, from May to October 1944, on the Isle of Elba and in France.

MARCO MARIOTTI, Adjudant, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armee, from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in Southern France.

CHARLES NAPPIN, Lieutenant Colonel, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armee, from July to October 1944, in Italy and France.

RENE SCRIVENER, Aspirant, Etat-Major, 1er Corps d'Armee, from July to September 1944, in Italy and France.

ANDRE SIMON, Lieutenant Colonel, Officier Commandant les Transmissions, 1er Corps d'Armee, from May to October 1944, in Italy and France.

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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 by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

~~1144 Inf. 200~~
BURNARD P. BELL, 34 336 107, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company "I", 4888 Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 5 December 1944, in Selestat, France. While leading his platoon in an attack to drive the Germans from well-fortified positions, the platoon was subjected to heavy machine gun and rifle fire from a building one hundred yards away. Ordering his men to cover his advance, Sergeant Bell fearlessly dashed through a hail of enemy fire and reached the German stronghold. Kicking a door open, he fired his carbine several times, shouting to the Germans to surrender. Overwhelmed by his audacious action, ten enemy soldiers dropped their weapons and fled out of the building. Sergeant Bell then continued the attack toward a large factory and, by a brilliant flanking maneuver, destroyed singlehanded an enemy position which served as an outpost for the factory, thus enabling the platoon to successfully seize the factory, capturing eighty-five of the enemy and forcing the remainder to withdraw in disorder. Entered military service from Columbiana, Alabama.

~~1144 Inf. 200~~
GEORGE S. COOPER, II, O 416 704, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "F", 4888 Infantry Regiment (Missing in Action), for extraordinary heroism in action on 25 November 1944, near Schalbach, France. When elements of an enemy Panzer Division subjected his company's positions to a furious attack, Lieutenant Cooper, with utter disregard for his own safety, moved out to the company front through terrific machine gun and artillery fire to place signal panels for directing friendly supporting planes. While so engaged, an enlisted man who was assisting him was mortally wounded by the devastating tank fire. Despite shrapnel wounds in his head and shoulders, Lieutenant Cooper immediately carried the wounded man to a place of safety. Refusing to be evacuated, Lieutenant Cooper then moved throughout the company area, under withering machine gun and artillery fire, directing the defense, seeking out and aiding the wounded and, by his courageous example, inspiring his men to successfully repulse two powerful enemy attacks. Next of Kin: Mr. George W. Cooper (Father), 78 Fair Street, Cooperstown, New York.

~~1144 Inf. 200~~
DOMINICK DELMONICO, 35 870 073, Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Infantry, Company "I", 4888 Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 27 August 1944, near Allan, France. When his assault platoon was cut off from the remainder of the company by unexpected tank, machine gun and small arms fire, Sergeant Delmonico voluntarily crawled forward alone, to assault the enemy

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positions. Advancing seventy-five yards across exposed ground under withering fire, he jumped to his feet and hurled two grenades into the German right machine gun position, killing the two-man crew and critically wounding two supporting riflemen. Without waiting for support from his company, Sergeant Delmonico crept forward alone through a shallow erosion gully toward the second machine gun one hundred yards to his left. Although both the machine gunner and the supporting rifle elements were firing directly at him, Sergeant Delmonico advanced beyond the draw. Thirty yards from the German gun, he threw a hand grenade and, as it exploded, leaped to his feet and charged forward into the hostile position, firing his M-1 rifle. Killing three, wounding two and capturing three of the enemy, he knocked out the German strongpoint and enabled his company to resume its advance. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

114th Inf Regt

FRANK J. HOJNOWSKI, 33 463 922, Private First Class, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Tieffenbach, France. When the platoon to which he was attached was subjected to intense enemy small arms and automatic weapons fire, inflicting numerous casualties, Private First Class Hojnowski, aid man, left his sheltered position and crawled down a hill to render first aid to one of the wounded. Advancing through withering enemy fire, he reached the wounded man and administered first aid. Learning that two men were seriously wounded at the top of the hill he had just left, Private First Class Hojnowski, with complete disregard for his own safety, quickly retraced his steps. Although he was struck by bullets in both legs and in his back, Private First Class Hojnowski, displaying outstanding courage and fortitude, continued to assist the wounded men until his task had been accomplished. His tenacity and devotion to duty exemplify the finest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

114th Inf Regt

NATHANIEL KAPLAN, OI 297 047, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "C", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 26 November 1944, in St. Gredx, France. When the leading elements of Company "C" were subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire, wounding six men of his platoon, Lieutenant Kaplan immediately dashed forward across the exposed area to assist his men. Skillfully employing his M-1 rifle, he forced the enemy to abandon the machine gun position, then rushed forward under withering enemy small arms fire and occupied the deserted German position. Spotting another well concealed enemy position from which heavy automatic weapons fire was being directed upon him, Lieutenant Kaplan fearlessly exposed himself to fire upon it, killing five Germans with his deadly fire and forcing the remainder to flee in disorder. Reorganizing his men, he then led them in clearing his assigned sector of the town until, suddenly, heavy machine gun fire from three enemy tanks swept the advancing platoon. Courageously leading his men forward, in the face of the withering fire, he personally directed the platoon's fire against the tanks, killing three of the Germans and forcing the tanks to withdraw. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

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142d Inf Regt

BUREN A. MARSHALL, 35 708 116, Private First Class, Infantry, Company "C", 488th Infantry Regiment (Missing in Action), for extraordinary heroism in action on 25 September 1944, in France. When a large hostile force launched a savage counterattack and threatened to surround his platoon, necessitating its withdrawal across an exposed clearing, Private First Class Marshall remained in position to cover the movement with his automatic rifle. Although he became the target for the enemy fire, he calmly placed his weapon on a small rock wall and, sweeping the enemy with deadly fire, enabled his comrades to effect a successful withdrawal. While attempting to cross the clearing and rejoin his platoon, Private First Class Marshall was seriously wounded in both legs by a burst of machine gun fire. Unable to walk or crawl, but undaunted by his perilous situation, he again put his weapon into action and directed effective fire into the midst of the approaching enemy force, silencing one of the hostile machine guns. Despite the intense pain of his wound, he continued firing until all his ammunition had been expended. Next of Kin: Mr. Guy E. Marshall (Pat. #), Route #2, Morganfield, Kentucky.

142d Inf Regt

EUGENE M. FERRY, JR., O 536 912, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "B", 488th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 5 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Fanges, France. While leading his platoon in an assault on a strongly defended enemy road block, Lieutenant Ferry was suddenly subjected to intense enemy small arms and machine gun fire which halted the platoon's advance. Immediately deploying the platoon, Lieutenant Ferry crawled forward alone, through withering fire, to within a short distance of an enemy machine gun position. Then, with well aimed rifle fire, he destroyed the gunner and silenced the enemy gun. Suddenly, a second machine gun opened fire, wounding him in the head. Despite his wound, he fearlessly charged the position, firing as he ran and forcing the enemy to abandon their weapon. By his heroic actions, Lieutenant Ferry disorganized the enemy's defenses by neutralizing two machine guns, and enabled his company to successfully seize the enemy road block. Entered military service from Wauwatosa, Wisconsin.

7th Inf Regt

JOHN H. STANTON, 33 683 196, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", 488th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 13 September 1944, at Noroy Le Bourg, France. When the advance of his company was halted, Sergeant Stanton singlehandedly charged a strongly emplaced machine gun. Moving in long rushes across one hundred and twenty-five yards of flat, exposed ground through point-blank machine gun fire and with mortar shells exploding fifteen yards from him, Sergeant Stanton hit the ground twenty-five yards from his objective end, with deadly rifle fire, destroyed the entire enemy gun crew, silencing the gun. Sergeant Stanton then dashed to a barn twenty-five yards to his left front where a flak wagon was in position. Destroying the gun with a hand grenade he shot and killed one of the crew, putting the rest to flight. Continuing his solitary attack, he advanced down a street of Noroy Le Bourg under sniper fire to a barn, held by a numerous enemy group. Hurling a grenade through the door, he forced at least ten Germans to surrender and wounded several. Continuing his one-man assault, Sergeant Stanton almost collided with an infantryman as he rounded a street corner. Wrenching the rifle from the startled German's grasp, he killed him as he attempted to flee.

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his M-1 rifle into a cellar where the enemy was lodged in consequence he compelled fifteen more Germans to yield. Having killed eight and at least twenty-five of the enemy and knocked out two gun positions, Stanton waited until the men of his company caught up with him, then joined them in cleaning out the town and capturing seventy-five more prisoners. Entered military service from Buffalo, New York.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal II

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 individuals:

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EDGAR A. COSSON, 34 886 240, Private, Infantry, Company "H", ~~7th~~ Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 4 November 1944, near Le Haut Jacques, France. When intensive cross-fire from machine guns, machine pistols and rifles had halted the rifle platoon to which his machine gun section was attached, Private Cosson intrepidly advanced to an exposed position with free fields of fire and engaged an enemy machine gun at a range of fifty yards. Disregarding mortar shells which exploded all around him and automatic weapons fire which tore through his pack and blanket, he duelled with the German gun for fifteen minutes, finally silencing it and killing its three-man crew. He had now become the primary target of an enemy fire so intense that his ammunition bearers were unable to crawl to his gun with their boxes. Private Cosson ignored sniper fire from the German positions on the slope of a wooded hill to engage a second machine gun. Fighting alone and in an exposed position, Private Cosson killed the three members of the second gun crew and silenced their weapon. As the riflemen attacked the remaining German positions, Private Cosson turned his deadly fire on the enemy supporting elements, killing approximately ten riflemen and machine pistolmen. Entered military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

~~314th Inf Regt~~

DOMENIC J. STAGNO, 31 070 686, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", ~~314th~~ Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 22 September 1944, near Frambois, France. After establishing a bridgehead across the Meurthe River, friendly tanks and tank destroyers were halted by concentrated enemy anti-tank and rifle fire. Sergeant Stagno, realizing the necessity for an immediate assault on the enemy positions to relieve this critical situation, quickly led his platoon in an advance on the stubbornly resisting hostile force. With a magnificent display of courage, Sergeant Stagno, singlehanded, assaulted twelve hostile positions, killing three and capturing nine enemy soldiers. The tanks then moved forward, and the supporting infantry troops were able to seize their objective. Entered military service from Ft. Devens, Massachusetts.

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 for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

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12th Air Force attached to 34th AAA Brigade

JOHN G. BULLOCK, 32 142 434, Sergeant, Air Corps, *** Air Force, attached to Headquarters *** Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade, from September 1944 to December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Rochester, New York.

1st Signal Bn

JAMES R. DECKER, 35 103 406, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, *** Signal Battalion, from 7 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Canton, Ohio.

19th Traffic Regulation Group

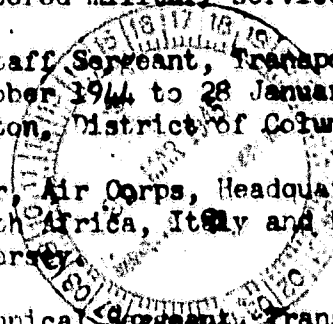
JOSEPH F. REYNOLDS, 6 809 008, Staff Sergeant, Transportation Corps, *** Traffic Regulation Group, from 15 October 1944 to 28 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

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ERIK B. J. ROOS, 0 902 786, Major, Air Corps, Headquarters *** Army, from 1 July 1944 to 1 October 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Cranford, New Jersey.

19th Traffic Regulation Group

HENRY V. ROUKEYE, 32 349 650, Technical Sergeant, Transportation Corps, *** Traffic Regulation Group, from 5 October 1944 to 10 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York, New York.



By command of Lieutenant General FATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHITE,
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Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for heroic achievement I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal, for meritorious achievement. II

I -- AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR 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 by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

JEAN BARON, Brigadier-Chef, Artillerie, 3eme Division d'Infanterie Algerienne, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, in Southern France. Brigadier-Chef Baron demonstrated exceptional qualities of endurance, courage and coolness under fire during the landings on the Mediterranean Coast of France.

MARC CROISY, Soldat de 1ere Classe, Transmissions, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Croisy rendered exceptional service and conducted himself with conspicuous bravery during this operation.

ANDRE DUFONT, Adjudant, Direction du Controle Routier, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, on 15 August 1944, in Southern France. Landing with the 3d US Infantry Division in the first assault wave, Adjudant Dupont exhibited great courage and complete disregard for personal safety in the successful accomplishment of his mission.

EUGENE IMBERT, Maréchal-des-Logis Chef, Forces Terrestres Anti-aériennes, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Hyeres, France. Maréchal-des-Logis Imbert, acting with audacity and shrewdness, succeeded in penetrating into the enemy lines and in returning with valuable information on the location of enemy strongpoints.

HENRI JOSEPH, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Forces Terrestres Anti-aériennes, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Fort de la Colle Noire, France. During this action, Soldat de 2eme Classe Joseph distinguished himself by his conspicuous bravery under enemy fire. He was wounded by an enemy mine while participating in the mopping up of the area.

LAURENT JOSEPH, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Forces Terrestres Anti-aériennes, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, at Fort de la Colle Noire, Southern France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Joseph conducted himself with conspicuous bravery during this operation, volunteering for all patrols and hazardous missions, during August 1944.

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SEPPHRE KOULANA, Sergeant, Bataillon de Marche No. 4, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Thourar, France. Sergeant Koulana was wounded during the course of an attack after having exhibited the greatest personal courage and initiative under fire.

ANGE LASQUELLEC, Aspirant, Bataillon de Marche No. 5, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, on 23 August 1944, near St. Nisse, France. Aspirant Lasquelllec played a daring part in a brilliant action resulting in the capture of thirty prisoners.

CHARLES LHUILLIER, Sergeant, Bataillon de Marche No. 11, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, on 20 and 21 August 1944, in Southern France. During the course of action, in which he demonstrated a high degree of courage and enterprise, Sergeant Lhuillier was wounded.

MAURICE MOERMAN, Sergeant, Transmissions, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergeant Moerman rendered exceptional service and conducted himself with conspicuous bravery during this operation.

ANDRE MOITESSIER, Capitaine, Forces Terrestres Anti-aeriennes, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Capitaine Moitessier displayed great courage and coolness during the assault upon Toulon and was among the first officers to enter the city.

MAISSA MOKTAR, Caporal, Bataillon de Marche No. 21, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Caporal Moktar, who at all times displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty, was wounded during the heavy fighting at Le Pradet, Toulon.

JEAN PIERSON, Sous-Lieutenant, Artillerie Divisionnaire, 9eme Division d'Infanterie Coloniale, for heroic achievement in action in September 1944, in the Doubs sector, France. Lieutenant Pierson particularly distinguished himself by his courage and coolness under fire during the fighting in the bend of the Doubs River.

JEAN-LOUIS PONS, Lieutenant, Direction du Controle Routier, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, in Southern France. Lieutenant Pons rendered exceptional service under enemy fire in the first assault wave of the landing in Southern France.

AUGUSTE RABEUF, Marchal-das-Logis Chef, Detachment de Circulation Routiere, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, for heroic achievement in action, from August 1944 to October 1944, in France. As second-in-command of a Traffic Control Platoon in the Maurienne-Tarentaise sector, Marchal-das-Logis Chef Rabeuf distinguished himself through his outstanding devotion to duty and initiative, and his coolness in the face of danger.

CLAUDE RENAULT, Lieutenant, 101eme Train, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, in Southern France. Lieutenant Renault, by his competence, his selfless devotion to duty and his command ability, rendered exceptional service to Allied operations. His display of gallantry during the Southern France Campaign was an inspiration to his associates.

LEON TEHDRY, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Bataillon Medical, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, from 19 to 24 August 1944, at Hyeres and Toulon, France. In his capacity as ambulance attendant, Soldat de 2eme Classe Tehdry, with indefatigable zeal and complete disregard for personal safety, played a vital part in the evacuation of the wounded of the 2eme Brigade.

MARCEL VIGUIER, Sergent, Bataillon de Marche No. 24, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action, on 22 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent Viguiier was a constant source of inspiration to his men and particularly distinguished himself by his courage during the attack on La Garde.

ROBERT VIVIEN, Sergent, Bataillon de Marche No. 5, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, in Southern France. Sergent Vivien, during the course of the operation in which he was seriously wounded, demonstrated his great personal courage and tenacity under fire.

II - AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL, FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

LOUIS RAYMOND ANTON, Capitaine, Service du Materiel, 9eme Division d'Infanterie Coloniale, from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France.

ALEXANDRE BERTRAND, Lieutenant, 1er Groupe d'Exploitation de l'Intendance, 1ere Division Motorisee d'Infanterie, from 17 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France.

CHRISTIAN GELIOT, Chef de Bataillon, Etat-Major, 1ere Division Blindée, from 16 August 1944 to 30 October 1944, in France.

ANDRE CIRGULT, Capitaine, Chef du 3eme Bureau, Etat-Major, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, from 16 August 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

EMILE LEHMANN, Lieutenant, Service de Sante, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, during September 1944, in France.

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PIERRE MAUNY, Sous-Lieutenant, Direction du Controle Routier, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, from 1 to 15 September 1944, in France.

ANDRE MAXIMIN MAURICE, Capitaine, Etat-Major, Brigade de Soutien, 1ere Division Blindée, from 17 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France.

PIERRE MONDAIN, Chef d'Escadron, Chef d'Etat-Major, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, from 15 August 1944 to 12 September 1944, in France.

JEAN FRANCOIS SECOT, Sous-Lieutenant, Genie Divisionnaire, 2eme Division d'Infanterie Marocaine, from 16 August 1944 to 30 September 1944, in France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

ARTHUR A. WHISTE,
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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:

CHEIKH BEN ABDERRAHMAN, Sergeant-Chef, 22eme Bataillon de Marche Nord-Africain, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Hyeres, France, where he distinguished himself through his bravery under fire.

ABEL, Caporal-Chef, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action on 10 September 1944, at Talaut, France. Caporal-Chef Abel set an outstanding example of courage and devotion to duty, when, although wounded in the course of the fighting for Talaut village, he nevertheless continued firing at the side of his comrades and refused to be evacuated.

ASSABALA, Sergeant, Bataillon de Marche No. 21, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 August 1944, at Hill 62, in Southern France. When his section was halted by enemy fire, Sergeant Assabala, standing in an exposed position, fired the automatic rifle of his squad with such good effect that sixty-three of the enemy surrendered with four automatic weapons.

ATTROUSS, Sergeant-Chef, 22eme Bataillon de Marche Nord-Africain, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Hyeres, France. During the attack on strongly defended enemy positions at Hyeres, France, Sergeant-Chef Attrouss displayed exceptional courage under enemy fire.

BLANCO, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action, on 21 August 1944, during the fighting for Les Ponts, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Blanco distinguished himself through his courage and calmness in combat while participating in this engagement.

MARCEL BOSNIERES, Sergeant, Compagnie Anti-Chars, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action during August 1944, in Southern France. During a fierce enemy attack, and although the antitank gun he served was under heavy artillery fire, Sergeant Bosnieres continued to fulfill his mission with the utmost coolness and courage. He was wounded during the course of the action.

FRANCOIS BOURMAZEL, Sergeant-Chef, 1er Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in September 1944, north of Lyon, France, where his courage under fire was exemplary of the finest traditions of the Military Service.

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GASTON CANTILLON, Sergent, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, in France. Sergent Cantillon distinguished himself by his great calmness and disregard for personal safety during the attack on the powder magazine at Saint-Pierre.

FLORIMOND CLAES, Sergent, 1er Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. On numerous occasions Sergent Claes demonstrated outstanding bravery under intense enemy fire.

MAURICE COIGNET, Soldat de 1ere Classe, Bataillon de Marche No. 21, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Coignet distinguished himself by his coolness while driving his vehicle under fire.

COSTER, Sergent-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 24, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 August 1944, in Southern France. Sergent-Chef Coster was the first man to cross the Gapeau in Southern France. His courage and disregard for personal safety were an example to all.

COUVREUX, Sergent, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action on 21 and 22 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent Couvreur displayed extraordinary courage and disregard for danger during the battle for the liberation of Toulon, France.

CAMILLE CUNIN, Sous-Lieutenant, Bataillon de Marche No. 24, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, on 22 August 1944, in Southern France. During this action, Lieutenant Cunin demonstrated outstanding bravery while under intense hostile fire.

CLAUDIUS DEPEYRE, Caporal, Bataillon de Marche No. 21, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. Although subjected to intense enemy counter fire during the attack on Hyeres, Caporal Depeyre, displaying outstanding courage, continued to fire his heavy machine gun, inflicting numerous casualties among the enemy.

MAURICE DOUET, Sergent, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Pont des Routes and l'Escallion, France. Sergent Douet displayed exceptional gallantry and disregard for personal safety during the attack on Pont des Routes and Fort de l'Escallion. He was wounded in the course of the fighting.

JOSEPH GONACHON, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Bataillon de Marche No. 24, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, on 22 August 1944, at La Garda, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Gonachon distinguished himself by courageous conduct under fire during this action.

LOUIS GUILHEM, Sergent, Bataillon de Marche No. 21, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. Sergent Guilhem

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aroused the admiration of all his comrades by going to the aid of a wounded man lying in a street covered by the fire of enemy light and heavy automatic weapons.

THOMAS HAGEN, Sous-Lieutenant, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 18 August 1944 to 25 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. Sous-Lieutenant Hagen displayed great courage under fire during the heavy fighting at the Hotel du Golfe, Hyeres.

LADISLAS HOSZU, Sergeant, 2eme Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Sergeant Hoszu set an inspiring example to his men by his courageous actions. Persistently volunteering for hazardous missions, Sergeant Hoszu braved intense enemy fire in the execution of his duties during the course of the Southern France Campaign.

CLAUDE HUGON, Caporal, Bataillon d'Infanterie de la Marine et du Pacifique, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action during August and September 1944, in France. In every action in which the Battalion was engaged, Caporal Hugon proved himself to be a model of courage and energy.

NEMECIO ISLA, Caporal, 1er Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, from 15 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Caporal Isla distinguished himself repeatedly through his courage and initiative in the face of a determined enemy.

ISSELE, Adjudant, 22eme Bataillon de Marche Nord-Africain, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Hyeres, France. During this action, Adjudant Issele distinguished himself by his disregard for personal safety, accomplishing numerous hazardous missions under enemy fire.

LOUIS LENAERTS, Sergeant, Compagnie Anti-Chars 13, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in September 1944, north of Lyon, France, where he distinguished himself by his display of bravery under enemy fire.

LE SOLLERE, Sergeant-Chef, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Fort de l'Escallion, France. Sergeant-Chef Le Sollere distinguished himself by his fearlessness and extraordinary courage in the attack on Fort de l'Escallion.

MARTINE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, on the Coast of Southern France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Martine won the admiration of the officers and men of his unit by his courage and coolness under fire during the operations following the landing in Southern France.

ROUGET MASSE, Sergeant-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 24, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at La Garde, France. Sergeant-Chef Masso, despite heavy enemy automatic weapons fire, succeeded by his courageous and persistent action in leading his section into La Garde.

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EMMANUEL MUNOZ, Aspirant, Bataillon de Marche No. 24, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, in Southern France. Aspirant Munoz, leading his section of motorized infantry through heavy artillery fire, brought support to the forward elements of his battalion near Le Gapeau. His courage and determination had a decisive effect on the success of the operation.

FRANCOIS PARAT, Sergeant, 2eme Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Sergeant Parat displayed great courage, coolness and aggressiveness in combat during the Allied operations in France.

RAFAEL PELECHA, Caporal-Chef, Compagnie Anti-Chars 13, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in September 1944, north of Lyon, France, where he distinguished himself by his display of bravery under enemy fire.

ROGER PFOHL, Sergeant, Bataillon d'Infanterie de la Marine et du Pacifique, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. By sound judgment and courage under fire, Sergeant Pfohl set an example for all his associates.

RENE POUILLON, Soldat de 1ere Classe, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action, from 21 to 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. In the battle for the liberation of Toulon, Soldat de 1ere Classe Pouillon displayed great courage and devotion to duty. He was seriously wounded during this engagement.

FERNAND QUEFFELEC, Adjudant, Bataillon d'Infanterie de la Marine et du Pacifique, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Adjudant Queffelec served in all the campaigns of his unit during the liberation of Southern France, and provided a constant example of courage and devotion to duty.

RAYMOND ROLLAND, Sergeant, Bataillon d'Infanterie de la Marine et du Pacifique, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action during August and September 1944, in France. Sergeant Rolland displayed outstanding bravery and devotion to duty throughout military operations in Southern France.

PAUL PRETS, Sergeant-Chef, 2eme Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Sergeant-Chef Prets distinguished himself through his great energy and bravery in action during the Southern France Campaign.

FATAH BEN SAIDOUN, Sergeant-Chef, 22eme Bataillon de Marche Nord-Africain, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Hyeres, France, where he displayed exceptional courage before the enemy.

SAUTREAU, Aspirant, Bataillon de Marche No. 21, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. When his section was engaged at a distance of less than a hundred meters by an enemy pillbox, Aspirant Sautreau, at the head of a squad, charged the position, neutralized it and thus enabled the section to advance.

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ANTOINE SZMOLDA, Sergeant, Compagnie Anti-Chars 13, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in September 1944, north of Lyon, France, where he distinguished himself by his display of bravery under enemy fire.

MAURITUA TAMATA, Soldat de 1ere Classe, Bataillon d'Infanterie de la Marine et du Pacifique, 4eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action during 1943 and 1944, in Africa, Italy and France. Throughout this period, the devotion to duty displayed by Soldat de 1ere Classe Tamata was in keeping with the finest traditions of the Military Service.

ANGE TASSO, Caporal-Chef, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action, on 9 September 1944, at Pont-de-Passy, France. Caporal-Chef Tasso distinguished himself in the engagement at Pont-de-Passy, France, in the course of which he was wounded.

MAURICE VAN MALDEREN, Caporal-Chef, 1er Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in September 1944, north of Lyon, France, where his courage under fire was exemplary of the finest traditions of the Military Service.

WIBAUX, Caporal-Chef, Demi-Brigade de Choc, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, in Southern France. By his complete disregard for his own safety and extraordinary coolness under fire, Caporal-Chef Wibaux contributed greatly to the successful occupation of a bitterly defended position and to the capture of fifty-five prisoners, shortly after the landings on the coast of Southern France.

AMEDEE WUYTENS, Adjudant, 2eme Bataillon de la Legion Etrangere, 1ere Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 15 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Adjudant Wuytens displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty while under enemy fire during the operations in Southern France.

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I -- 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 for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

69th Arm FA Bn

CLIFFORD W. BANGLE, 16 050 144, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Battery "B", ~~888~~ Armored Field Artillery Battalion, from 3 November 1943 to 1 February 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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CHARLES F. COMBS, 32 755 741, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Headquarters ~~888~~ Army, from 29 September 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Holmar, New Jersey.

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RINGBERT E. JONGHWAARD, 37 204 273, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters ~~888~~ Army, from 25 August 1944 to 1 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Sioux Center, Iowa.

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HENRY T. LAPP, O 369 296, Major, Medical Corps, Headquarters ~~888~~, from 25 March 1944 to 12 September 1944, in North Africa and France. Entered military service from Wilmington, Ohio.

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CHARLES B. O'CONNOR, 31 298 234, Technician Third Grade, Infantry, Headquarters ~~888~~ Army, from 15 July 1944 to 1 November 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Melrose, Massachusetts.

II - 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 by the Army Commander to the following named individual for wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 December 1944, in France:

6th Information & Historical Service

KEITH K. ROGERS, O1 573 178, Captain, Quartermaster Corps, ~~888~~ Information and Historical Service. Entered military service from Madison, Wisconsin.

III - BATTLE HONORS - CITATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the following named organization is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action:

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THE 3D BATTALION, 398TH INFANTRY REGIMENT is cited for outstanding performance in combat during the period 17 to 21 December 1944, near Bitcho, France. On 17 December 1944, the 3d Battalion was assigned the mission of breaching the formidable fortifications of the Maginot line west of the town of Bitcho, France. The main line of enemy defense was Fort Freudenberg, a large fortification, and Fort Schiessock, which had eleven adjacent units, each unit with a gun emplacement or a series of guns ranging from forty-seven millimeters to one hundred and thirty-five millimeters, which were mutually supporting and extremely difficult to attack. The walls of the fortifications were from three to ten feet thick and constructed of reinforced concrete. Some of the units had as many as five stories below ground-level with underground railroads which were used for supply. With no terrain features for protection and only shell-craters for cover, the 3d Battalion, taking advantage of a forty-five minute barrage, moved into the attack. Under intense enemy artillery, mortar, automatic weapons and small arms fire, the 3d Battalion pressed the attack and, after fierce fighting, captured Fort Freudenberg along with units ten and eleven of Fort Schiessock. At this point the enemy increased their artillery and mortar fire, forcing the battalion to dig in for the night. At 0930 hours the following morning, 18 December 1944, the attack was continued behind a rolling barrage laid down by supporting artillery. Fighting their way up the steep, barren slopes of the difficult terrain, through heavy barbed wire entanglements, the assault detachments, despite harassing enemy fire, rapidly wrested the remaining units of Fort Schiessock from the enemy. The fighting aggressiveness, courage, and devotion to duty displayed by members of the 3d Battalion are worthy of the highest emulation and reflect the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

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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:

FRANCOIS ARZEL, Sergeant-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 5, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Hyeres and Toulon, France. Sergeant-Chef Arzel accomplished many hazardous patrol missions during these operations, always exhibiting resourcefulness and coolness under fire.

CHARLES BOUCHESZ, Adjudant, Combat Command I, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 19 August to 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Adjudant Bouches displayed outstanding courage and complete disregard for his own safety in the fighting at Toulon, France.

ROGER BRUNET, Sergeant, 3eme Compagnie, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at La Valette, France. Sergeant Brunot participated in the capture of Hills 79.6 and 75.8 on the road to La Valette. Despite a severe wound, he persisted in leading his men in the attack and succeeded in taking a number of prisoners.

HENRI FAURE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Bataillon de Marche No. 4, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Thouars, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Faure, Signalmen during the attack on Thouars, France, set an outstanding example of courage to his comrades by his brave conduct under intense enemy artillery fire.

JOSEPH FREITAG, Adjudant-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 11, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, in France. Adjudant-Chef Freitag, as leader of a signal unit, distinguished himself during the battle for Toulon, when he contributed greatly to the relief of American forces heavily engaged by the enemy.

FRISON ROCHE, Sergeant-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 4, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, at Thouars, France. Although seriously wounded during the attack on Thouars, Sergeant-Chef Frison Roche remained in command of his signal unit until his mission was successfully completed.

PIERRE GILIOD, Sergeant-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 11, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergeant-Chef Giliod's heroic conduct under fire in the battle for Toulon was in keeping with the finest traditions of the Military Service.

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JEAN GUIBERT, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Bataillon de Marche No. 11, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Serving with a mortar unit, Soldat de 2eme Classe Guibert set a fine example of coolness under fire during the battle for Toulon.

ALFRED LATOUR, Sargent-Chef, 2eme Compagnie, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, at Mont Redon, France. Sargent-Chef Latour distinguished himself when, in heavy hand-to-hand combat, he contributed materially to the repulse of an enemy effort to regain Mont Redon.

MARCEL MAURICE, Sargent-Chef, Compagnie Anti-Chars 2, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action from 16 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in France. Sargent-Chef Maurice displayed coolness and disregard for danger during operations in Southern France. His heroic actions exemplify the finest traditions of the Military Service.

VICTOR MEYER, Caporal, Compagnie d'Accompagnement, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, on 20 August 1944, at Mont Redon, France. During a German attack against Mont Redon, Caporal Meyer remained, unaided, at his machine gun position, allowing his Section time to regroup and repulse the enemy.

JEAN PIETRI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Bataillon de Marche No. 11, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Pietri distinguished himself particularly in the successful execution of a dangerous liaison mission to American elements in the area of Toulon. His courage and disregard for personal safety were an inspiration to his associates.

FRANCOIS PRONOST, Sargent-Chef, Bataillon de Marche No. 4, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 25 September 1944, at Lyoffans, France. During the attack on Lyoffans, Sargent-Chef Pronost distinguished himself by establishing liaison between his section and the supporting company while under heavy enemy fire.

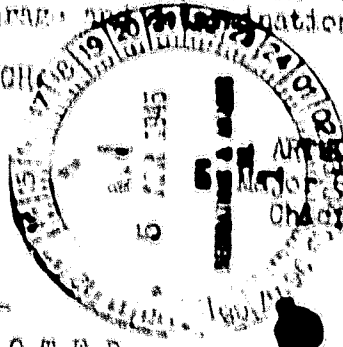
JEAN TEXTER, Sargent, Bataillon de Marche No. 4, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, in France. Sargent Texter set an outstanding example of courage when he crossed an area being subjected to intense artillery fire in order to push forward his 60 millimeter mortars and render close support to his unit's riflemen.

HENRI THIRLAT, Sargent-Chef, 3eme Compagnie, 2eme Brigade, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, at Mont Redon, France. Although suffering from a serious wound which he had received in Italy, Sargent-Chef Thirlat stormed the summit of Mont Redon at the head of his platoon. During this action he displayed outstanding qualities of courage and determination.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH

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Award, Posthumous, of the Distinguished-Service Cross I
Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross II

I -- 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:

~~10th Inf Regt~~

LOUIS KAPLAN, 42 035 941, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, Company "E", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action. On 22 September 1944, at about 1400 hours, during an attack near Faucongy, France, Sergeant Kaplan charged twenty yards ahead of his platoon up an enemy infested hill into withering machine gun and small arms fire. Moving up the hill slope in short rushes, he approached to within ten yards of a two-man fox-hole and, although machine pistol fire barely missed him, killed the two Germans with his M-1 rifle. Despite the fire of two machine guns and approximately twenty supporting rifle and machine pistolmen which was concentrated on him, Sergeant Kaplan continued his swift advance. Hitting the ground forty yards from one of the German machine-guns, he knocked out a supporting rifle position with two hand grenades, wounding four Germans; then engaged in a duel with the machine gun. While members of his platoon, which had been temporarily halted, threw him bandoliers of M-1 ammunition, Sergeant Kaplan continued his lone fight, neutralizing the fire of the machine gun and killing four enemy riflemen who sought to flank him. Although wounded in the hip, Sergeant Kaplan voluntarily remained at his advanced outpost until morning, steadfastly refusing to withdraw for medical treatment. Sergeant Kaplan was killed in a subsequent action. Next of Kin: Mrs. Sarah Kaplan (Mother), 88 Brighton Lane, Brooklyn, New York.

II - 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:

~~13th Inf Regt~~

HESTER M. GARDNER, 37 705 070, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Company "L", *** Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 12 November 1944, near La Chappelle, France. While leading his squad in an attack against a heavily defended enemy stronghold, Sergeant Gardner was subjected to intense machine gun fire which pinned down the squad and severely wounded him in the head. Although he was the target for concentrated enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant Gardner fearlessly raised himself from the ground and continued to fire his Thompson sub-machine gun. Killing the gunner and destroying the gun, he enabled his squad to safely withdraw. Having exhausted his supply of ammunition, he dropped unconscious to the ground. By his magnificent courage and fortitude, Sergeant

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Gardner enabled his squad to withdraw from their precarious position; friendly mortar fire was then directed against the enemy stronghold, forcing the hostile force to withdraw in disorder. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.
114th Inf Regt

RAYMOND Z. GERAN, 38 445 948, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, 488th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 4 December 1944, at Volksberg, France. When the company to which he was attached was subjected to heavy mortar and point blank 20 millimeter cannon fire, which inflicted numerous casualties, Technician Fifth Grade Geran, a medical aid man, observing a soldier whose leg had been blown off lying helpless in plain view of the enemy, left a position of safety and rushed to his aid. While administering first aid to the wounded man Technician Fifth Grade Geran was hit by a 20 millimeter shell which blew off his arm. His spirit of self sacrifice and courageous solicitude for the welfare of a fellow soldier exemplify the finest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Knoxville, Arkansas.

157th Inf Regt

WARREN E. HAYNES, 37 555 716, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Company "B", 488th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism in action on 23 December 1944, near Bundenthal, Germany. When seventy-eight men were trapped inside a small town in the Siegfried line, Sergeant Haynes, on his own initiative, led a patrol of three men through enemy lines in an attempt to effect their rescue. Having reached the isolated garrison, Sergeant Haynes organized a large combat patrol, issued concise and accurate orders directing them back through the enemy lines; then remained behind to cover their movements. After the rescued men were safely through the hostile positions, the enemy subjected the area to terrific artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Haynes led his patrol through the impact area and across open terrain swept by withering machine gun fire, without losing a man. By his unswerving devotion to duty and extraordinary heroism, Sergeant Haynes prevented seventy-eight American soldiers from being killed or captured by the enemy. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

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13 March 1945

NUMBER 94)

- Award of the Distinguished-Service Cross. I
- Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II
- Battle Honors - Citation of Unit. III

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:

~~7534 Tank Bn~~

HENRY L. HODES, O1 015 411, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company "B", *** Tank Battalion, for extraordinary heroism in action on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Mittelwihr, France. Lieutenant Hodes was assigned the mission of supporting the first rifle platoon of Company "G", *** Infantry Regiment, during a fiercely contested attack. When the enemy laid down a heavy concentration of small arms and artillery fire on the company position wounding the rifle platoon leader, Lieutenant Hodes, realizing the seriousness of the situation, left the relative security of his tank, and dashed through withering enemy machine gun fire to cross the battlefield and reorganize the rifle platoon. Exposing himself to murderous enemy fire, he ran from position to position giving the men words of encouragement. His aggressive and bold action inspired the members of the rifle platoon, causing them to hold fast to their positions. Several hours later, under cover of darkness, Lieutenant Hodes ordered the riflemen to mount the tanks and evacuated the platoon without further casualties. Entered military service from Allentown, Pennsylvania.

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

~~9124 FA Bn~~

ALBERT L. BIERMAN, 33 389 489, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in action on 4 July 1944, in Montecatini, Italy. Technician Fifth Grade Bierman, accompanied by one other enlisted man, braved heavy enemy shell fire to enter the town of Montecatini, Italy, not yet occupied by friendly troops, where he established radio communication and assisted in the conduct of fire on enemy tanks and infantry a short distance away. When the hostile troops succeeded in infiltrating back into the town, Technician Fifth Grade Bierman opened fire, killing one of the enemy and assisting in the capture of sixty-nine others. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

~~3024 FA Bn~~

LAWRENCE M. GUILLOT, O1 169 548, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 12 August 1944 to 21 August 1944, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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ARTHUR HOLSINGER, 36 361 533, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters
*** Army, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 1
February 1944 to 14 August 1944, in North Africa and Italy. Entered military
service from Maywood, Illinois.

~~No. 738~~
PAUL F. PAVLIK, 32 389 731, Master Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade),
Coast Artillery Corps, Headquarters *** Army, for meritorious service in direct
support of combat operations from 10 July 1943 to 4 December 1944, in North
Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered military service from Cliffside Park,
New Jersey.

III.- BATTLE HONORS - CITATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the
provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 233, War Department, 1943, the following
named organization is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action:

COMPANY "L", 30TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance
in action on 17 September 1944, near Raddon, France. Advancing through fog and
rain in a tortuous ascent over heavily forested terrain, the men of Company "L",
under the command of Captain Robert B. Bridgen, seized a key ridge which
dominated a roadnet essential to the maintenance of the German Main Line of
Resistance. Fighting desperately to regain this vital ground, two hundred
fanatical German troops, abundantly supplied with automatic firepower and sup-
ported by a tank and heavy artillery, pounded the gallant men of Company "L" in
wave after wave of savage counterattack. For six hours, the heavily outnumbered
company fought on without respite, repulsing the German assault forces time and
again with heavy loss despite the enemy's immense superiority in firepower. At
times completely surrounded and cut off, with only a few dozen rounds of pistol
and carbine ammunition left, the soldiers of Company "L" resisted and repelled
every enemy attempt to overrun their line. Battling hand to hand, killing Ger-
mans with their rifle butts, these valiant men held their ground. When the last
wave of counterattack was rolled back, the men of Company "L", their ammunition
almost entirely expended, their ranks reduced by casualties and their situation
apparently hopeless, prepared to assault and break through the German lines,
although they had but four rifle squads with which to do it. But the enemy had
already withdrawn, battered and beaten, abandoning his broken line to attempt a
new stand at the Moselle.

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Award of the Bronze Star Medal I
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I -- 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 for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

~~30th FA Group~~

ELLIS A. BRADLEY, 34 149 607, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Group, from 20 September 1943 to 10 February 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Columbia, Tennessee.

~~334th Depot Supply Co.~~

VIRGIL R. CHILSON, O 311 448, Major, Infantry, *** Quartermaster Depot Supply Company, from 3 July 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Wilmington, California.

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JAMES A. GANNON, 32 086 902, Technical Sergeant, Quartermaster Corps, Headquarters *** Army, from 1 September 1944 to 1 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

~~60th AAA Group~~

ROCKFORD C. HARIMAN, '6 991 288, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, *** Anti-aircraft Artillery Group (then *** Coast Artillery (Antiaircraft) Regiment), from 22 January 1944 to 4 June 1944, at Anzio, Italy. Entered military service from Parkersburg, West Virginia.

~~Hq. 7th Army~~

HENRY L. JONES, II, O 171 546, Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters *** Army, from 31 July 1944 to 31 January 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Kingston, Pennsylvania.

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EDWARD A. RODGERS, 37 150 119, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, from September 1942 to 10 February 1945, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Russell, Kansas.

~~19th FA Brigade~~

LARD E. ROE, O 413 106, Major, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Brigade, from 28 March 1944 to 9 February 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Winter Haven, Florida.

II - BATTLE HONORS - CITATION OF UNIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 333, War Department, 1943, the following named organization is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action:

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THE 2D BATTALION, 114TH INFANTRY REGIMENT, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action on 25 November 1944, north of Schalback, France. Charged with the defense of a front approximately four thousand yards wide, against an enemy armored counterattack, the 2d Battalion moved into position under cover of darkness and without the benefit of reconnaissance. Because of the width of the front, and the fact that a large part of the Division had been committed east of the Vosges Mountains, no defense in depth was possible and the line was necessarily thin. The nature of the terrain, moreover, prevented the men from digging in deeply since their foxholes would soon fill with water. The enemy launched its onslaught against the hastily prepared defensive positions with a numerically superior force of infantry and approximately twenty-two Mark IV and Mark V tanks. In the fierce fighting which followed, enemy tanks overran the Battalion's positions and fired machine guns and 88 millimeter guns into the foxholes at point-blank range. Despite the ferocity of the attack, the men of the 2d Battalion held their ground. With rifle and automatic weapons fire, they dispersed, killed or routed the German infantry who were riding on top of the tanks or following immediately behind. Allowing tanks to pass over their foxholes, they immediately arose and continued to annihilate any Germans who had tried to accompany the armor. Even when bazooka fire bounced off the heavy enemy armor and the Battalion's machine guns had been knocked out of action or had run out of ammunition, the infantrymen clung to their positions and, with rifle fire, forced the enemy to withdraw. Not only did the men of the 2d Battalion refuse to give way in the face of this fierce onslaught, but they forced the attack at every opportunity. By its determined stand, the 2d Battalion repulsed a counterattack which, if it had succeeded, would have eliminated the 44th Infantry Division as an effective fighting force and would have jeopardized all friendly troops east of the Vosges Mountains. The extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty displayed by the men of the 2d Battalion are in keeping with the finest traditions of the Military Service.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

JACQUES AYME, Capitaine, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action, in August 1944 at Toulon, France. By exceptionally accurate direction of artillery fire, Capitaine Ayme succeeded in neutralizing many enemy artillery batteries, and contributed materially to the operations resulting in the fall of Toulon.

ANDRE BEGUE, Adjudant-Chef, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action, from 22 to 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Adjudant-Chef Begue's display of courage and tenacity in the operations at Toulon exemplified the highest traditions of the Military Service.

RENE LOUIS BENARD, Sous-Lieutenant, 9eme Compagnie de Recuperation et de Depannage, for heroic achievement in action from 15 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in Southern France. Sous-Lieutenant Benard rendered invaluable service by evacuating the many vehicles destroyed in the line during this period.

BERTAUT, Marechal-des-Logis, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at La Garde, France. Acting as artillery observer, Marechal-des-Logis Bertaut, through his accuracy and coolness under fire, located many enemy gun emplacements and assisted materially in their destruction.

BIBE, Adjudant-Chef, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Hyeres, France. Although subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire, Adjudant-Chef Bibe courageously continued his hazardous duties as artillery observer, successfully neutralizing numerous enemy strongpoints.

PHILIPPE BLACHAIS, Lieutenant, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action, on 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Lieutenant Blachais, by his accurate fire control and his courage in the face of danger, enabled his battalion to lay down an extremely effective artillery barrage near Toulon, and was thus instrumental in the final capture of the city.

PAUL BOBET, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe

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Bobet exhibited outstanding coolness and courage under enemy mortar fire. His conduct was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

ROGER BRICONT, Brigadier-Chef, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action; on 23 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Exhibiting great courage and coolness under enemy artillery fire, Brigadier-Chef Bricont maintained the fire of his own piece, effecting thereby the destruction of much enemy materiel.

CONSTANT COLMAY, Enseigne de Vaisseau, 1er Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. During this action, the courage displayed by Enseigne de Vaisseau Colmay under intense enemy fire was such as to effect the finest traditions of the Military Service.

GERARD FREDERIC PIERRE D'ARRAS, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for heroic achievement in action on 8 September 1944, at Autun, France. During the attack on the city of Autun, Soldat de 2eme Classe d'Arras, acting as scout and walking in front of the first patrol of combat cars, displayed outstanding bravery by moving rapidly from one house to another pointing out targets to the gunners. While carrying out this hazardous task, he was wounded by an anti-tank grenade.

JEAN DARRAS, Lieutenant, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action from 22 to 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. By his courage and devotion to duty during the heavy fighting at Toulon, Lieutenant Darras set an outstanding example to his men.

GEORGES DECLERCK, Marechal-des-Logis, 3eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944 to 14 October 1944, in France. Marechal-des-Logis Declerck displayed great courage while in command of his platoon. On 14 October 1944, he was seriously wounded while engaged in heavy fighting.

RAYMOND DE SAINT FOL, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 3eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 15 August 1944, in France. Soldat de 2eme Classe de Saint Fol displayed outstanding bravery and devotion to duty in carrying out dangerous patrol missions during Allied operations in France.

FRANCIS DE TURKHEIM, Brigadier-Chef, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, near Toulon, France. During the course of this action, Brigadier-Chef de Turkheim displayed outstanding courage and leadership under intense enemy fire.

RENE FERAT; Brigadier-Chef, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944, on the Etang-Autun Road, France. Brigadier-Chef Ferat, a member of the Gasoline and Ammunition Supply Section, delivered vital supplies to a unit in action; to accomplish this mission he traversed an area infested with enemy snipers, driving his truck with great courage and coolness in the face of danger.

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MARCEL FLEURY, Adjudant, 5eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from 25 August 1944 to 10 September 1944, in France. Adjudant Fleury displayed great courage and high qualities of leadership in the fighting north of Marseille and in Bourgoigne, France.

ROGER GATOUNES, Matelot Mecanicien, 1er Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for heroic achievement in action from 21 to 23 August 1944, in France. Matelot Mecanicien Gatounes, a tank driver, distinguished himself through his courage and coolness under fire in engagements at Hyeres, La Garde and La Mauranne, France.

FRANCIS GILLOT, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 5eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Gillet displayed outstanding courage during the attack on Toulon where, under heavy enemy fire, he succeeded in repairing his tank, which had broken down behind the enemy lines, and returning to friendly lines.

CHARLES HAHN, Marechal-des-Logis, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, in Southern France. Marechal-des-Logis Hahn's courageous conduct on this date exemplified the highest traditions of the Military Service.

MAURICE LEGER, Sergent-Chef, 9eme Compagnie de Recuperation et de Depannage, for heroic achievement in action from 15 August 1944 to 15 September 1944, in Southern France. Sergent-Chef Leger rendered invaluable service in evacuating and repairing a great number of vehicles, often working under enemy fire.

STANISLAS MANGIN, Lieutenant, 1er Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Hyeres and Toulon, France. During the operations at Hyeres and Toulon, Lieutenant Mangin, although wounded by enemy fire, courageously remained with his unit until its objective had been taken.

PAUL MAUBERT, Lieutenant Colonel, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action from 22 to 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Colonel Maubert, through his courage, skill and rapid concentration of French divisional and American supporting artillery, contributed greatly to the success of the operations leading to the capture of Toulon.

JEAN ALEXANDRE MORIAT, Marechal-des-Logis, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for heroic achievement in action on 8 September 1944, in France. Marechal-des-Logis Moriat displayed unfaltering courage in entering a house occupied by the enemy, killing three of the enemy. His audacity and prompt action was instrumental in affecting the successful advance of his detachment.

JEAN MORVAN, Quartier-Maitre Fusilier de 2eme Classe, 1er Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for heroic achievement in action from 15 to 24 August 1944, in Southern France. Quartier-Maitre Fusilier de 2eme Classe Morvan displayed outstanding courage during the operations culminating in the capture of Toulon.

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ROBERT LOUIS MOETINGER, Caporal, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for heroic achievement in action on 8 September 1944, at Pont Saint Andoche, France. Caporal Moetinger displayed outstanding bravery by manning a tank gun after its tank commander had been killed and, proceeding under violent enemy fire to the accomplishment of his mission.

MARCEL PAPIN, Marechal-des-Logis, 5eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 5 September 1944, at Germolles, France. Marechal-des-Logis Papin, a Tank Commander, displayed conspicuous bravery in the fight for Germolles, France.

GUY PASCAUD, Marechal-des-Logis, 3eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 August 1944 to 14 September 1944, in France.

BERNARD CONSTANT HENRI PETIT, Lieutenant, 2eme Regiment de Dragons, for heroic achievement in action on 8 September 1944, near Etang-sur-Arroux, France. Leading a reconnaissance platoon, Lieutenant Petit, displaying outstanding leadership and coolness under fire, successfully attacked two enemy columns and effected the mopping up of hostile elements which were impeding the progress of his detachment.

LOUIS RICHARD, 1er Maitre Canonnier, 1er Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for heroic achievement in action during August and September 1944, in France. In charge of the regimental maintenance shop, 1er Maitre Canonnier Richard was untiring in his successful efforts to maintain the Regiment's materiel, often accomplishing his work while under enemy fire.

RENE SAINT-MARC, Marechal-des-Logis, 3eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, at Port sur Saonne, France. Marechal-des-Logis Saint-Marc successfully accomplished a hazardous liaison mission to the left flank of the American forces at Port sur Saone.

MICHEL SANVALLE, Aspirant, 1er Regiment d'Artillerie, for heroic achievement in action during the landing operations on 15 August 1944, at Cavalaire, France. Aspirant Sanvalle displayed outstanding courage while in the execution of hazardous missions under enemy fire.

MARCEL SERRRES, Brigadier-Chef, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 3 September 1944, at Villofranche, France. Brigadier-Chef Serrres, displaying remarkable calm and courage under enemy fire, distinguished himself during the course of the operation resulting in the capture of Villofranche, France.

HENRI TORRE, Matelot, 1er Regiment de Fusiliers Marins, for heroic achievement in action on 22 and 23 August 1944, at Hyeres and La Gardo, France. Although wounded during these operations, Matelot Torre, displaying admirable courage and coolness under fire, contributed materially to the success of his unit's mission.

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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:

JEAN BAEDREY, Brigadier, 2eme Bataillon, 65eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action in August and September 1944, in France. As leader of a team engaged in laying a telephone line, Brigadier Baedrey fearlessly attacked and repulsed an enemy patrol threatening the successful accomplishment of his mission.

ANDRE BAUMANN, Brigadier, 63eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Brigadier Baumann set an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire during the battle for Briancon.

PIERRE BORDEAUX GROULT, Sous-Lieutenant, 3eme Regiment de Spahis Marocains, for heroic achievement in action in Italy and France, during 1944. During the Italian and French Campaigns, Sous-Lieutenant Bordeaux Groult displayed great personal courage. His actions exemplify the finest traditions of the Military Service.

RAYMOND JEAN BROCKMANN, Maréchal-des-Logis-Chef, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 6 and 7 September 1944, near Servin and Randovillers, France. With magnificent courage and determination, Maréchal-des-Logis-Chef Brockmann, while leading security patrols, took thirty-two prisoners and a large quantity of enemy equipment.

RENE CANET, Capitaine, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniales du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, at Fort Ste Catherine, France. During this action, Capitaine Canet braved heavy enemy automatic weapons fire to rescue a seriously wounded officer.

JEAN COLONNA, Soldat de 1ere Classe, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Colonna displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the operations against the bitterly defended Port of Toulon.

RAYMOND DESPIAT, Capitaine, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Capitaine

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Desplat displayed great energy and fearlessness by leading his Battery out of a hazardous situation and successfully completing his mission.

XAVIER DIRIBARNE, Lieutenant, Etat-Major, Combat Command No. 1, 1ere Division Blindée, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from 15 to 18 August 1944, in France.

EL HADJ BEN MOHAMED, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 69eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action, on 24 August 1944, at Marseille, France. Throughout this operation, Soldat de 2eme Classe El Hadj Ben Mohamed demonstrated outstanding courage and initiative. His actions exemplify the finest traditions of the Military Service.

PIERRE FERRAND, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Forces Francaises de l'Interieur, Etat-Major, Combat Command No. 1, for heroic achievement in action during August 1944, at Aubagno, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Ferrand set an outstanding example of courage and coolness during the heavy fighting at Aubagno.

MAURICE GARACHON, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 2eme Bataillon, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from 20 to 25 August 1944, near Pontailier, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Garachon, through the rapidity and accuracy of fire of the 105 millimeter gun he served, contributed much to the success of Allied military operations in Southern France.

RAYMOND GAVANIER, Caporal, Regiment Colonial de Chasseurs de Chars, for heroic achievement in action on 23 and 24 August 1944, at Toulon, France. During the attacks against Fort Ste Catherine and a redout on the Place d'Italie, Caporal Gavanier displayed outstanding personal courage.

JOSEPH COMEZ, Marechal-des-Logis, 2eme Bataillon, 63eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during August and September 1944, in France.

GEORGES GUILCHOT, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 69eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Marseille, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Guichot distinguished himself by his courage and coolness under fire during the operations that culminated in the capture of the city of Marseille, France.

JILLET, Caporal, 2eme Bataillon, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Caporal Jillet displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the bitter fighting for the heavily defended Fort of Toulon.

ANDRE LAROCHE, Marechal-des-Logis, 3eme Bataillon, 68eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 3 September 1944, at Villefranche, France. Marechal-des-Logis Larocha displayed extraordinary bravery in the fight terminating in the capture of the city of Villefranche, France.

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PIERRE LAURENT, Capitaine, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from 4 to 8 September 1944, at Col du Petit-Saint-Bernard, France. Capitaine Laurent distinguished himself particularly while giving splendid artillery support to an Infantry Battalion. His devotion to duty was an inspiration to the men of his battery.

JEAN YVON LAVIGNE, Capitaine, 3eme Regiment de Spahis Marocains, for heroic achievement in action during 1944, in Italy and France. Capitaine Lavigne distinguished himself by his constant display of courage and devotion to duty during the operations in Italy and France.

ANDRE PAUL LEBRETON, Aspirant, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 5 September 1944, near Valdahon, France. While leading a reconnaissance group, a German tank and armored cars opened fire at point-blank range. Although seriously wounded, Aspirant Lebreton remained at his post in order to warn advancing friendly troops of the impending danger.

PAUL LICHTENSTEIN, Sous-Lieutenant, 3eme Bataillon, 68eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 3 September 1944, at Villefranche, France. Sous-Lieutenant Lichtenstein displayed outstanding bravery and leadership in the fight for Villefranche, France.

FRANCOIS MARTINEZ, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 63eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944, near Briancon, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Martinez's conduct during this engagement exemplified the highest traditions of the Military Service.

LOUIS MAUREL, Capitaine, Regiment Colonial de Chars de Combat, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, near Toulon, France. Capitaine Maurel's exceptional bravery during the fighting in Toulon, France was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

ASCENCIO FERELLO, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 2eme Bataillon, 65eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action in August and September 1944, in France. While laying a telephone line in an advanced position, Soldat de 2eme Classe Ferello was attacked by an enemy patrol. Although seriously wounded, he successfully repulsed the hostile attack.

LOUIS PEYRON, Brigadier-Chef, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 19 and 20 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Brigadier-Chef Peyron particularly distinguished himself by his magnificent courage and coolness under fire during the capture of Le Camp and Cuges-Les-Pins, France.

PIERRE RAPHAT, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Regiment Colonial de Chars de Combat, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Raphat distinguished himself by his courage and coolness under fire, during a difficult liaison mission in the Toulon area.

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ROBERT THURIN, Lieutenant, 67eme Regiment d'Artillerie d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from 10 February 1944 to 25 March 1944, on the Acqua-Fondato Road, Italy. Through his courage, complete disregard for personal safety, and tireless energy, Lieutenant Thurin assured a constant flow of ammunition to the front line troops, and thus contributed greatly to the accomplishment of his regiment's mission.

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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:

ANDRE ASCIATH, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at Cadolivo, France. While mortar and heavy mechane gun fire was being directed against an anti-tank wall, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Asciath took up a position close to this obstacle in order to destroy an artillery piece located in a casemate. He completed his mission with courage and accuracy.

JACQUES BORDIER, Aspirant, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, at La Morano, France. Aspirant Bordier, in command of a Tank-Destroyer platoon, distinguished himself particularly in the attack on La Morano, France, knocking out in rapid succession, several enemy tank destroyers and machine gun nests.

ANGE BRUNO, Caporal, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, in Southern France. Caporal Bruno displayed outstanding daring and initiative during a particularly hazardous intelligence mission.

SIMON CESARI, Sergent-Chef, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action on 10 and 12 September 1944, in France. Sergent-Chef Cesari distinguished himself by his outstanding courage and coolness during bitter fighting against a resolute enemy.

ALEXIS CHATELARD, Marechal-des-Logis, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action in September 1944, at Saint-Leger, France. Marechal-des-Logis Chatelard distinguished himself by his display of courage during an attack on an armored train at Saint-Leger, France.

PAUL COON, Caporal-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, at Bandol, France. Caporal-Chef Coon provided a magnificent example of courage and coolness by destroying an enemy ammunition dump and advancing across open ground under heavy enemy artillery fire.

GASTON DESHAIS, Marechal-des-Logis, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 22 September 1944, at Melisoy, France.

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Marchal-des-Logis Deshais, with complete disregard for his own safety, repaired a tank while under violent enemy artillery fire and enabled it to be returned into action.

FRANCOIS FRACHON, Sous-Lieutenant, 7eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, near Tholy, France. Sous-Lieutenant Frachon distinguished himself as leader of a Tank-Destroyer platoon through his daring reconnaissance and liaison missions.

CLAUDE GIBERT, Marchal-des-Logis-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 27 August 1944, at Redon, France. Exhibiting complete coolness under fire and brilliant tactical ability, Marchal-des-Logis-Chef Gibert directed the fire of the tanks under his command with such rapidity and accuracy that he was able to destroy many enemy artillery batteries.

PIERRE GUILLAIN, Sergeant, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action during 1944, in Southern France. Sergeant Guillain played an important part in the capture of a strongpoint containing several guns and howitzers.

JEAN HENRIO, Marchal-des-Logis-Chef, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from August 1944 to November 1944, in France. Marchal-des-Logis-Chef Henrio displayed extraordinary courage while commanding a Tank Destroyer platoon and directing its fire during the fight for Saint-Berain, France.

PHILIPPE MARIE DONATIEN ANDRÉ LACROIX DE VIMEUR DE ROCHAMBEAU, Sous-Lieutenant, 7eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from 12 June to 15 June 1944, in Italy. Sous-Lieutenant Lacroix de Vimeur de Rochambeau destroyed two "Panther" tanks and several tank-destroyers during the attack on San Antonio and on Pico, Italy.

LALUQUE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action during August and September 1944, in Southern France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Laluque displayed a magnificent spirit of self-sacrifice and disregard for danger while carrying wounded comrades back to friendly lines.

P. H. LARTIGUE, Sous-Lieutenant, Regiment d'Artillerie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action from 20 to 30 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Sous-Lieutenant Lartigue engaged the enemy in difficult circumstances between Solliès-Pont and Toulon, France. By skillful maneuvering he succeeded in reducing a powerful enemy strongpoint defended by guns, howitzers and machine guns.

PAUL MATHIS, Sergeant, Regiment d'Infanterie Coloniale du Maroc, for heroic achievement in action during August 1944, in Southern France. Sergeant Mathis' courageous actions resulted in the capture of large quantities of enemy materiel and one hundred and fifteen prisoners.

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REY MAUDRY, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, at Martins (Hyeres), France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Maudry distinguished himself at the village of Martins (Hyeres), breaking up a center of resistance through the accuracy of his fire, and forcing seventeen of the enemy to surrender.

JEAN MIKALEFF, Brigadier, 7eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action on 22 August 1944, in Southern France. Driving a scout car under fire, Brigadier Mikaleff displayed outstanding bravery during the bitter fighting in the Bandol-Sanary area, France.

RAYMOND PARENT, Adjudant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 4 September 1944, in France. Adjudant Parent contributed greatly to the capture of Sees. Through the deadly fire from his tank-destroyers, he effected the capture of sixty Germans who had tried to escape.

ROBERT POLAZON, Marechal-des-Logis, 8eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action during August and September 1944, in Southern France. Marechal-des-Logis Polazon, leader of a Tank Destroyer platoon, distinguished himself consistently during the operations in Southern France, destroying numerous machine gun nests which had impeded the progress of Allied Infantry.


HENRI JEAN FRANCOIS LOUIS RICAUD, Capitaine, 9eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations during August and September 1944, in France.

ROGER LUCIEN CHARLES SIEGWALD, Marechal-des-Logis, 7eme Regiment de Chasseurs d'Afrique, for heroic achievement in action from 3 to 20 November 1944, in France. During the attack on Hill 812, Marechal-des-Logis Siegwald demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership and courage under enemy fire.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCHE

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

ROGER AMANNE, Sergeant-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944, at the Col du Rhamme, Vosges, France. Sergeant-Chef Amanne, while installing a line in an area exposed to constant enemy artillery fire, displayed complete disregard for his personal safety and set a courageous example to his comrades.

PIERRE BARTHELEMY, Capitaine, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from 7 to 10 September 1944, at Le Belvedere, Haute-Tarentaise, France. As Commanding Officer of a Heavy Weapons Company, Capitaine Barthelomy established an advanced position and led frequent patrols into the enemy lines. Through his efforts, the Command was kept accurately informed of the situation.

ABDELKADER BENCHOUAR, Soldat de 1ere Classe, Compagnie de Bataillon 1, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Marseilles, France. During the course of this operation, Soldat de 1ere Classe Benchoudar gave repeated demonstration of his courage and selfless devotion to duty.

BEKACEM BOUNOUZOUR, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from 4 to 6 October 1944, near Col du Rhamme, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Bounousour displayed great steadfastness and courage during this period. His accurate fire helped in repulsing six enemy counterattacks in one day.

PIERRE BOVARD, Sergeant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, at Toulon, France. During the siege of Toulon, Sergeant Bovard distinguished himself while directing effective 81 millimeter mortar fire on an enemy tank, forcing it to withdraw.

HENRI DABET, Adjudant-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944, at Villars-les-Blumont, France. As leader of an Anti-Tank platoon, Adjudant-Chef Dabet displayed outstanding qualities of leadership and unfaltering courage when, wounded by a shell from an enemy tank, he refused to be evacuated and continued to direct the fire of his unit.

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JOSEPH DI BATTISTA, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944, near Ramont, France. While on a liaison mission, although seriously wounded, Soldat de 1ere Classe Di Battista refused to be evacuated until his assigned task had been successfully accomplished.

CHARLES HENRI ANDRE FOUQUES BOUVON, Capitaine, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action during August and September 1944, at Toulon, Marseilles, Pontarlier and Pont-de-Roide, France. Capitaine Fouques Bouvon displayed outstanding devotion to duty as the Commanding Officer of a Heavy Weapons company, and was wounded while carrying out a reconnaissance mission during the capture of Marseilles.

JEAN-BAPTISTE GAMBIN, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 27 August 1944, at Vallon des Roches, Marseilles, France. Displaying outstanding courage, Soldat de 2eme Classe Gambin, at the head of his squad, reconnoitered a particularly dangerous and strongly held enemy position, thus enabling his section to attack and take ten prisoners.

PIERRE LABOUISSSE, Sergent-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 6 and 7 September 1944, at Pierre-Fontaine, France. During the course of a mission designed to occupy this town, Sergent-Chef Labouisse and his men found themselves within three hundred meters of several enemy armored vehicles. By his vigilance and courage, he and his men were able to set up their 57 millimeter gun and destroy a self-propelled gun and an armored car, and put the remainder of the hostile force to flight.

GUY LAURENT, Sergent-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, at Hill 895, Col du Rhame, Vosges, France. Sergent-Chef Laurent assumed command of a machine gun and mortar section whose leader had been seriously wounded. Although subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire, Sergent-Chef Laurent, directing the fire of this section with remarkable accuracy, succeeded in breaking up several enemy counterattacks. Although he was seriously injured himself, he assisted in the evacuation of several wounded men of his company.

HERVE LE NIGER, Soldat 2eme Classe, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 6, 7 and 8 October 1944, in France. Soldat 2eme Classe Le Niger distinguished himself while carrying out reconnaissance missions on a trail leading to Hill 906 and Col de Morbieu (Vosges) which was under intense enemy artillery fire.

ANDRE MAZON, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 9 September 1944, in France. Without hesitation, Soldat de 2eme Classe Mazon crossed a violently contested zone of battle, under enemy automatic fire, to go to the assistance of his Caporal-Chef who was engaged in a hand-to-hand fight with the enemy. His timely arrival saved the life of a fellow soldier.

RENE MINEUR, Sergeant-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 20, 21 and 22 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Sergeant-Chef Mineur, an excellent non-commissioned officer, displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty in the action at Evenos, near Toulon.

ACHILLE FLIHON, Sergeant-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, at Tete de Canard, Vosges, France. During this action Sergeant-Chef Flihon displayed magnificent courage and tenacity while leading his section in the capture of a fiercely defended enemy position.

HENRY EDMOND RENAULT, Sous-Lieutenant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens for heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944 at Hill 395, Col de Rhamme, France. As leader of a Heavy Weapons platoon, Lieutenant Renault constantly deployed his unit in places under intense hostile fire in order to support rifle-men heavily engaged by the enemy. Seriously wounded on 7 October 1944, while directing mortar fire in support of a company fighting in particularly dangerous terrain, he refused to be evacuated until he had transmitted all necessary orders to his section.

ROBERT RICHARD, Lieutenant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from 5 to 15 October 1944, in the Longegoutte Forest, France. Through his great courage and tenacity, Lieutenant Richard was instrumental in relieving an encircled battalion. He took an active part in the capture and defense of Cornimont and was seriously wounded, on 15 October 1944, while at the head of his company.

ANTOINE SINATRA, Adjutant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 27 August 1944, near Toulon, France. Adjutant Sinatra provided a fine example of courage and coolness under fire during the fighting at the Chateau de la Ripelle, France.

GEORGES JEAN ANTOINE TEUMA, Sergeant-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from 10 to 18 October 1944, at Mulxures sur Moselotte and Hill 582, France. With magnificent courage and complete disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Chef Teuma maintained constant liaison, while under heavy artillery fire, between his company commander and the forward sections in combat.

DANTE TUVRELI, Caporal-Chef, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944, in France. When his gun position received a direct hit from an enemy self-propelled gun, Caporal-Chef Tuvreli led heavy enemy fire to go to the aid of many wounded comrades.

JEAN YVARS, Sergeant, 3eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergeant Yvars displayed extraordinary bravery and courage during the operation culminating in the liberation of the city of Toulon, France.

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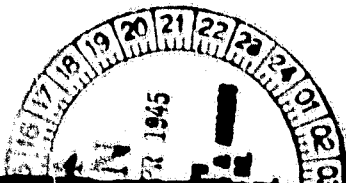
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Award of the Silver Star. I
Award of the Bronze Star Medal. II
Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque. III

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 individual:

632d FA Bn
RALPH H. KNOPSNYDER, 6 574 994, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action on 22 February 1944, in the vicinity of S. Elia, Italy. While repairing a broken Battalion Observation Post communication line, the area in which Technician Fifth Grade Knopsnyder was working was subjected to an intense enemy artillery barrage, during which the man next to him was killed and another man of the wire section seriously wounded. Despite the intensity of the enemy fire, Technician Fifth Grade Knopsnyder, with complete disregard for his personal safety, proceeded to repair the line until communications had been restored, and his battalion enabled to bring down counter-battery fire on the enemy. Entered military service from Bend, Oregon.

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 for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations is awarded by the Army Commander to the following named individuals:

44th MP Criminal Investigation Det.
OSCAR J. CANTINI, 31 244 004, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Military Police, *** Military Police Criminal Investigation Detachment, from 19 March 1943 to 24 February 1945, in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

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HERMAN GOTTFRIED, 32 158 904, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, from 10 July 1943 to 1 January 1945, in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

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JOSEPH S. LOWERY, 33 310 317, Technician Third Grade, Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, from 1 March 1944 to 15 January 1945, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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JOHN R. MARKGRAF, 34 543 907, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, Headquarters *** Army, from 1 April 1944 to 9 September 1944, in North Africa, Italy and France. Entered military service from Jacksonville, Florida.

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19th FA Brigade

WINTON D. MELTON, O 405 437, Major, Field Artillery, Headquarters, *** Field Artillery Brigade, from 14 February 1944 to 9 February 1945, in Italy and France. Entered military service from Bolivar, Missouri.

987th Medical Ambulance Co Motor (Sep)

ABRAHAM SHEPHERD, 34 746 440, Private, Medical Department, *** Medical Ambulance Company, Motor (Separate), from 23 December 1944 to 22 January 1945, in Luxembourg. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

20th Signal Heavy Construction Bn.

HUFORD T. TUNGATE, 35 478 758, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, Company "A", *** Signal Heavy Construction Battalion, from 1 September 1944 to 31 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Campersville, Kentucky.

III- AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT FLAQUE. Under the provisions of Section I, Circular 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, as amended, the Meritorious Service Unit Flaque is awarded by the Army Commander to the following units:

THE 334TH QUARTERMASTER DEPOT SUPPLY COMPANY, for superior performance of duty during the period 1 August 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Italy and France.

THE 469TH ENGINEER MAINTENANCE COMPANY, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of an exceptionally difficult mission from 1 October 1944 to 30 November 1944, in France.

THE 1514TH ENGINEER WATER SUPPLY COMPANY, WITH ATTACHED 2841ST ENGINEER COMPOSITE DETACHMENT (WELL DRILLING), for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 1 September 1944 to 1 February 1945, in France.

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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:

RACHID AMIR, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, at Marseilles, France. When his Chef de Bataillon was mortally wounded in action, Soldat de 1ere Classe Amir went to his assistance, under intense artillery fire, and in so doing was himself wounded.

ROGER HENRI GUY AUDIBERT, Aspirant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, when, at the head of his unit, he was the first to enter Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde at Marseilles, France, taking twenty-three prisoners.

MARCEL BATAILLE, Sergeant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, in France. Sergeant Bataille distinguished himself at Faubourg de St-Antoine, France, where he inflicted severe losses on the enemy and set an example of courage to his men while under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire.

BENARFA EL MEKKI, Sergeant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action, from August 1944 to September 1944, in France. Sergeant Mekki demonstrated remarkable qualities of leadership, courage and coolness under heavy enemy fire in the fighting at Marseilles and Tete des Cerfs, France.

RABIAH BENTEDLEST, Sergeant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, at La Croix des Moinats, Vosges, France. Sergeant Bentedlest, who took part in the Tunisian, Italian and French Campaigns, distinguished himself by outstanding courage when, with his machine gun section, he very effectively supported his company's advance in difficult and dangerous circumstances.

HACENE BENZIADA, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for achievement in action on and subsequent to 15 August 1944, in France. During the course of the Southern France operation and, despite a shrapnel wound in the shoulder, Soldat de 2eme Classe Benziada undertook a particularly hazardous mission under violent enemy artillery fire.

REINE BERMOND, Adjudant-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, near Marseilles, France.

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Adjutant-Chef Bermond displayed outstanding courage and disregard for his own safety during the fight for Olives, France. While advancing against a superior enemy force he engaged the enemy position in hand-to-hand fighting and refused to be evacuated after he had been wounded.

MOHAMED CHENAF, li 498, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from 1 January 1944 to 15 May 1944, in Italy. Soldat de 2eme Classe Chenaf was a model of courage and devotion to duty during this period. In the course of a particularly hazardous mission he was wounded on 15 May 1944 at Mont Calvo, Italy.

AHMED CHOULI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from August 1944 to October 1944, in France. During the liberation of Marseilles in August 1944 and the capture of Croix des Monats on 15 October 1944, Soldat de 2eme Classe Chouali distinguished himself by his remarkable initiative and courage.

HENRI CLAUSS, Caporal-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action during October 1944, in France. Caporal-Chef Clauss distinguished himself in the fighting near Haut-du-Roc, where he displayed great coolness and courage while laying telephone lines in the face of violent artillery fire.

LE BOULICAUT, Marechal-des-Logis-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 20 August 1944, at Cuers, Var, France. During this operation Marechal-des-Logis-Chef Le Boulicaut exhibited great personal courage and initiative.

PAUL ANTOINE LECA, Caporal, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action from 6 to 15 October 1944, near Vrille, Tonneux and Tete des Carfs, France. During this period Caporal Leca successfully carried out several liaison missions in the face of heavy enemy shelling, and in spite of thick woods and fog.

MARCEL MAUDUIT, Caporal, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Marseilles, France. Caporal Mauduit displayed outstanding courage and initiative during the fighting in Marseilles, France.

ALBERT MEYNET, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on and after 20 August 1944, at Cuers, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Meynet, although surrounded by the enemy, defended himself with great courage and persistence until he was taken prisoner. While a prisoner of war, and until his escape, Soldat de 2eme Classe Meynet conducted himself with the utmost coolness and discretion. His conduct was an inspiration to his associates.

MOUSSA BEN MOHAMED, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 24 August 1944, at the Chateau de Fouresta, near Marseilles, France. With magnificent courage and calm determination, Soldat de 2eme Classe Moussa Ben Mohamed carried out several missions under

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heavy enemy fire, and was in the forefront of a counterattack in the course of which he was seriously wounded.

JEAN HENRI MARIE PICHAVANT, Lieutenant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, in Marseilles, France. Exhibiting remarkable courage and coolness, Lieutenant Pichavant, Commanding Officer of a rifle company, was the first to enter Marseilles, where he proceeded to mop up the center of the town, prior to leading his company in a brilliant assault resulting in the capture of the hill of Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde.

GEORGES RIFOLL, Aspirant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 25 August 1944, at Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde, Marseilles, France. Leading his machine gun section, Aspirant Rifoll displaying the utmost courage and leadership under enemy fire, was one of the first to enter this strongpoint.

ROGER GILLES JOSEPH MARIE VEILLARD, Caporal-Chef, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, at Col du Brocko, France. At the head of his patrol, Caporal-Chef Veillard infiltrated into the enemy lines, engaged the enemy in combat in spite of overwhelming enemy numerical superiority, killed two Germans and returned to his own lines with all his men and bringing back much valuable information.

ESPRIT VIVRAY, Sous-Lieutenant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, at Col de la Croix des Moinats, France. Although seriously wounded, Sous-Lieutenant Vivray continued to engage the enemy until his fire control mission had been successfully accomplished.

MOHAMED ZITOUNI, ASN 380, Sergeant, 7eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Algeriens, for heroic achievement in action in Italy and France. Although wounded on 19 May 1944 near Pico, Italy, Sergeant Zitouni rejoined his unit and participated in landings in Southern France. On 7 October 1944, he distinguished himself by his courage and disregard for his personal safety during the course of the fight for Hill 894, Vosges, France.

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ABDESSLEM BEN HADJ OMAR, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Abdesslem Ben Hadj Omar distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire.

JEAN BARTOLI, Sargent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, at La Vachette, France. Sargent Bartoli displayed outstanding bravery in the fighting at La Vachette, France.

BEN AISSA BEN AISSA, Sargent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Sargent Ben Aissa Ben Aissa distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of personal courage under fire.

ANTOINE BIANCHERI, Sargent-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, near Briancon, France. Sargent-Chef Biancheri's bravery in action at the Fort des Trois Tetes exemplified the highest traditions of the Military Service.

PAUL BIGNON, Sous-Lieutenant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Sous-Lieutenant Bignon distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, displaying outstanding qualities of leadership and personal courage under fire.

BOU THAR BEN SAOUD, 11795, Sargent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Sargent Bou Thar Ben Saoud distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, setting an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire.

BRAHIM BEN MOHAMED, 11687, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Brahim Ben Mohamed distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire.

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BRAHIM EL HAUCINE, Sergeant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 and 7 September 1944, at La Vachette, France. While commanding his machine gun detachment, Sergeant Brahim El Haucine demonstrated great personal courage and initiative and contributed greatly to the success of the operation.

MARCEL BRIQUET, Sergeant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Sergeant Briquet distinguished himself in the fighting for Briancon, France. His conduct under enemy fire was an inspiring example to his comrades.

JEAN DELISLE, Lieutenant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Lieutenant Delisle distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, setting an outstanding example of leadership and courage under enemy fire.

LOUIS DUROUDIER, Sergeant-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 September 1944, near Briancon, France. Sergeant-Chef Duroudier's bravery during the fighting at Puy St. Pierre, Briancon was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

FATHI FATHA, 2524, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Fathi Fatha distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire.

FLITTI BENATISSA, 2743, Adjudant-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, near Briancon, France. The heroic conduct of Adjudant-Chef Flitti Benatissa during the attack on Fort du Toudouillet was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

JOAQUIN GIRONNEF, Caporal-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Caporal-Chef Gironnef distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire.

HADJ BEN DRISS, Sergeant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, in Southern France. Sergeant Hadj Ben Driss displayed great courage despite wounds received during the bitter fighting leading to the capture of Fort de La Croix-Buge, near Toulon, France.

HAMIDA BEN AHMED, 3741, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Hamida Ben Ahmed distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of courage under enemy fire.

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HAMED BEN HAMOU, 11607, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 7 September 1944, near Briancon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Hamed Ben Hamou displayed outstanding courage during the fighting at Puy St Pierre, Briancon, France.

PAUL HOURDEBAIGT-CAMY, Adjudant-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Adjudant-Chef Hourdebaigt-Camy distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for the Citadelle de Briancon, France, setting an outstanding example of personal courage under enemy fire.

YVES LE GOASTER, Caporal-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Cervieres Bridge, Southern France. During an attack on this strategic objective, Caporal-Chef Le Goaster distinguished himself by his courage and initiative.

LAKDOU BEN MANSOUR, Sergent-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, near Briancon, France. Sergent-Chef Ben Mansour's courage in action at Puy St Pierre, was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

VINCENT MAYMARD, Medecin-Aspirant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Medecin-Aspirant Maynard distinguished himself during the battle for Briancon, France, by his selfless devotion to duty in the face of danger.

GILBERT PASCUAL, Aspirant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, at Mont James, France. Aspirant Pascual distinguished himself through his bravery and coolness at Mont James, France, when, with only fifteen men, he repulsed a powerful enemy attack.

JEAN ROCQUES, Sergent-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. In the fighting for Briancon, France, Sergent-Chef Rocques set an outstanding example of personal courage under heavy enemy fire.

LUIGI SIAUD, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at La Croix de Brotagne, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Siaud displayed great coolness under fire during this action.

MICHEL TEUMA, Caporal-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Caporal-Chef Teuma distinguished himself while participating in the fighting for Briancon, France, by setting an outstanding example of courage under enemy fire.

ALEXANDRE TIGERAS, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 September 1944, at Corviere (Hautes-Alpes), France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Tigeras' conduct in action exemplified the highest traditions of the Military Service.

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ROBERT TIZIOLI, Adjutant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 6 September 1944, at Puy-St-Pierre, France. Adjutant Tizioli set an outstanding example of bravery and resourceful leadership while participating in the assault against Puy-St-Pierre, France.

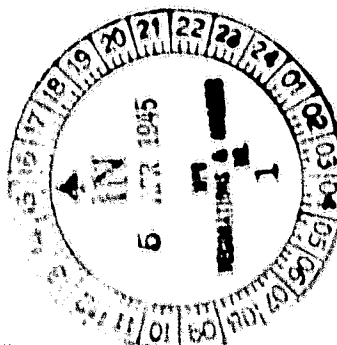
EDOUARD VIVES, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 5 and 6 September 1944, at Briancon, France. Sergent Vives, while participating in the fighting for Briancon, displayed great courage and devotion to duty in the face of the enemy.

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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:

MAHOMED BACHEMI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, at Fort du Sappey, France. Soldat de 2eme Classe Mahomed Bachemi's conduct during the capture of the Fort was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

STITOU BEN MAHOMED, 2134, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 20 and 22 September 1944, at Roc Noir, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Stitou Ben Mahomed displayed exceptional courage and devotion to duty during these engagements.

MAURICE CADDET, Caporal, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action on 24 August 1944, in Southern France. Caporal Cadet displayed a high degree of courage by taking up a position on the Escailon Bridge which had been mined and was under enemy fire; he covered the mine-clearance team with accurate fire until the completion of their mission.

FERNAND CHENOBIER, Sergent-Chef, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, at Fort du Sappey, France. Sergent-Chef Chenobier, by his courage and devotion to duty, played an important part in the capture of this Fort.

JEAN CRESTE, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent Creste displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the assault against the bitterly defended Fort of Malbousquet, Toulon, France.

DAVID, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, near Toulon, France. Sergent David displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the assault against an enemy strongpoint in the Six Fours area.

ANDRÉ DELSOL, Aspirant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Aspirant Delsol particularly distinguished himself by his courage and coolness under fire during the assault on the La Mourillon Peninsula at Toulon, France.

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LUCIEN DENIS, Adjudant-Chef, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, at Sappay, France. Adjudant-Chef Denis displayed exemplary courage during this action.

FRANCOIS ESSNER, Sergent-Chef, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action on 24 and 25 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent-Chef Essner displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the attack against the bitterly defended fort of La Faron at Toulon, France.

ELIE FERRUCCI, Sergent, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action from 20 to 26 September 1944, at Roc Noir, France. Sergent Ferrucci's bravery and self-sacrifice during bitter fighting exemplified the finest traditions of the Military Service.

FIRMIN HORNA, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action during 1944, in Southern France. On two occasions Sergent Horna reestablished telephone communications under artillery fire. His courage made possible the continuation of essential gun fire against the fortified Arenes Hill.

MAHOMED BEN ABDELKADER, 1639, Caporal, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action during September 1944, near Bourg St Maurice, France. Caporal Mahomed Ben Abdalkader's courage in combat, especially during the attack on Roc Noir, was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service.

MAURICE MEUNIER, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent Meunier displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the assault against the bitterly defended fort of Malbousquet, Toulon, France.

VICTOR MICHEL, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent Michel distinguished himself by his courage and coolness under fire during the bitter fighting for the heavily defended port of Toulon, France.

JEAN MICOLON, Aspirant, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action from 15 August 1944 to 1 October 1944, in France. Aspirant Micolon distinguished himself in action during the period of his attachment to the 157th Infantry Regiment (U. S.).

TOUSSAINT OLIVEST, Sergent, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, in Southern France. Sergent Olivest led his squad with outstanding ability and complete disregard for his personal safety during the operations in Southern France.

BASTILE PARO, Caporal-Chef, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, at Fort de Sappay, France. Caporal-Chef Paro's bravery during this action was in keeping with the finest traditions of the Military Service.

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MARCEL PUJALTE, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 2eme Regiment de Cuirassiers, for heroic achievement in action during 1944, in France. As assistant driver of a tank, the crew of which had been either killed or wounded, Soldat de 2eme Classe Pujalte, single-handed, held back with his submachine gun the surrounding enemy until relieved by a friendly force.

JOSEPH SOLERIE, Sergent, 5eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Marocains, for heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, at Fort du Sappoy, France. Sergent Solerie's courage during the attack on the Fort du Sappoy was in keeping with the finest traditions of the Military Service.

EDOUARD VAILLANT, Soldat de 1ere Classe, 4eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Soldat de 1ere Classe Vaillant distinguished himself by his courage and coolness while carrying out the mission of reducing a German pocket of resistance near La Touraille, Toulon, France.

By command of Lieutenant General PATCH:

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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

MARCEL ANTOLONI, Soldat de 2eme Classe, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action on 24 August 1944, near Neaudouvin, France. When his unit was fired on by an adjacent company, Soldat de 2eme Classe Antoloni displaying outstanding courage, stood up so that he could be identified thereby preventing his unit from suffering additional casualties.

ANGE ARRIGUI, Sergent-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent-Chef Arrigui provided an outstanding example of courage and coolness under fire during the fighting in the La Valette district of Toulon, France.

LUCIEN CANAL, Caporal-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action during August 1944, in Southern France. Caporal-Chef Canal led his men with courage and skill during the period from 20 to 22 August 1944, at Sollies-Pont, (Var) and at La Farlede, Toulon, France.

CESAR OSCAR ANTRE COTI, Aspirant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Aspirant Coti distinguished himself by his courage and coolness under fire during the bitter fighting for the heavily defended port of Toulon, France.

ERNEST DINAN, Sergent, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Sollies-Pont, Southern France. Sergent Dinan displayed outstanding courage and calm determination during the fighting at Sollies-Pont, France.

GODEFROY EUGENE, Adjudant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Adjudant Eugene distinguished himself by his outstanding courage during the attack on the La Valette district of Toulon, France.

MARCEL GOETZ, Caporal-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action on 21 August 1944, at Sollies-Ville, France. Caporal-Chef Goetz displayed outstanding aggressiveness and courage in the course of the attack against Sollies-Ville, France.

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LUCIEN COUPILLON, Caporal, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. By assuming command of a squad in the midst of the heavy fighting for the La Valette district of Toulon, France, Caporal Coupillon displayed outstanding initiative and calm determination.

MARCEL GUILLIOUT, Adjudant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, at Toulon, France. Adjudant Guillout distinguished himself by his coolness and courage during the fighting in the La Valette district of Toulon, France.

HECK, Aspirant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Aspirant Heck was a constant source of inspiration to his men and displayed magnificent courage and coolness during the heavy fighting for the La Valette district of Toulon, France.

SYLVAIN LABORDE, Sergent-Chef, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action during August 1944, at Sollies-Pont, France. Sergent-Chef Laborde distinguished himself during the fighting at Sollies-Pont, France, between 20 and 22 August 1944. Although wounded during the course of the fighting, he refused to be evacuated.

RICHARD PYNE, Aspirant, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action in August 1944, near La Valette, France. Aspirant Pyne distinguished himself as a leader during the storming of an enemy fortification at La Valette, Toulon, the seizure of which resulted in the capture of many prisoners.

PAUL SEUVER, Sergent, 6eme Regiment de Tirailleurs Senegalais, for heroic achievement in action on 23 August 1944, at Toulon, France. Sergent Seuver displayed outstanding courage and coolness under fire during the fighting for the La Valette district of Toulon, France.

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