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17 December 1944

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I--Award, Posthumous, of Silver Star--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

JAMES L. ADAMS, 0887353, Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. While on reconnaissance in advance of a platoon of the 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, which was engaged in a mine sweeping assignment, Second Lieutenant Adams, Platoon Leader, was fired upon from an enemy strongpoint. Fully cognizant of the imminent danger, he quickly reorganized the platoon into an assault force and, without regard for his personal safety, led it in an attack on the enemy position until mortally wounded. The courageous and aggressive leadership displayed by Second Lieutenant Adams was a contributing factor to the successful accomplishment of the assault force's mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

ROBERT W. BOLLISH, 38148588, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of Tettingon, Germany. Attached to the * * Platoon of Company * *, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, Sergeant Bollish, Squad Leader, and five of his men demolished three enemy pillboxes. Then, when a heavily armed enemy fortification held up the advance of the Infantry, he led his men to the building where they placed and detonated demolition charges that weakened the fortification. Sergeant Bollish was killed in this action, but his performance made possible the subsequent capture of the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

HILBERT W. BECK, 37261037, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During a mine detecting assignment, when a platoon of the 315th Engineer Combat Battalion was fired upon by a well concealed enemy, Corporal Beck, Assistant Squad Leader, without regard for his personal safety, voluntarily advanced with a companion to locate the enemy position. While in the prosecution of this mission, the companion was wounded by the enemy and in an effort to rescue him, Corporal Beck was mortally wounded. The courageous action of Corporal Beck caused the enemy to disclose its position and contributed immeasurably to the success of the ensuing attack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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II--Award of Silver Star--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

DONALD R. HALE, 37491812, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the attack on Fort Koenigsmacher by Company **, 358th Infantry, Sergeant Hale, Squad Leader, continually subjected himself to intermittent enemy machine gun fire and personally placed and detonated many explosive charges against the entrances and embrasures of the fortress. The cool, daring and exemplary leadership displayed by Sergeant Hale materially aided the capture of the Fort. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

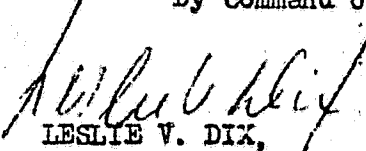
III--Award of Bronze Star--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

EDWIN A. EICKMAN, 37118780, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944. While on a mission to contact friendly Polish troops planning to meet our forces and close the Chambois Gap, Staff Sergeant Eickman (then Technician Fifth Grade) encountered intense enemy fire of various calibers. Mindful of his important mission, Staff Sergeant Eickman, without regard for his personal safety, ignored enemy fire directed at him, completed his mission and returned through the same dangerous area to give an accurate report to the Division G-3. His courage and devotion to duty materially aided the ensuing action and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

HARVEY McNEIL, 36688995, Private, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during operations on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the establishment of a beachhead across the Moselle River by the 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, a bulldozer operator was wounded. Private McNeil, Electrician, voluntarily replaced the wounded operator and finished leveling the ferry craft landing. He then drove the machine inland, despite intense enemy fire, and cleared enemy anti-tank obstacles. His courageous actions enabled a tank unit to continue their advance and materially aided the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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I—Award of Silver Star—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

WILLIAM E. DePUY, O410595, Major, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hinckange, France. During the crossing of the Nied River, Major DePuy, Regimental Operations and Training Officer, under extremely heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, reconnoitered approaches to a bridge site. After completing the reconnaissance, he personally led the leading elements of the Infantry forward, enabling the first troops of the 357th Infantry to cross the river. Later, at risk of his life, he led a successful tank assault upon the enemy and took an active part in engaging the enemy in small arms battle at close range. During this action, he captured eleven enemy soldiers. Major DePuy's aggressiveness, courage and inspiring leadership were material factors in the successful accomplishment of the Regimental mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

✓ CHARLES W. RYDER, JR., O24951, Captain, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 and 20 November 1944 in the vicinity Bockange, France. During the advance of the 357th Infantry, Captain Ryder, preceding the column, made a reconnaissance in Bockange, France. Having observed an enemy convoy in the town, he immediately signaled tanks carrying infantrymen to advance. From a commanding position, Captain Ryder directed tank fire which stopped the entire enemy convoy. He then, at risk of his life, led the tanks and infantry in an attack on the town in which four enemy were killed, two wounded and 35 captured. The next day, while again in advance of the column, Captain Ryder advanced through direct enemy rocket fire, killed one man of the enemy bazooka team and caused the other members to flee. Captain Ryder's gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

ALEX J. GALLA, O1310693, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Avril, France. When an infantry motorized patrol was ambushed by a numerically superior enemy force, numerous casualties were sustained. First Lieutenant Galla, Platoon Leader, with the aid of companions, attempted to recover the vehicles. They drew enemy fire which endangered the lives of wounded men in the immediate area but he, voluntarily and at risk of his life, moved to a distant field in full view of the enemy, diverted their fire upon himself, which allowed the vehicles to be recovered by other members of the patrol. He then assisted a shell-shocked victim to the Aid Station and gave the Medical Officer the location of other wounded men. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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II--Award of Bronze Star-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 900-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

ZOLAN SANDAU, 37155030, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 27 November 1944. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

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I—Award, Posthumous, of Silver Star—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

OVER L. COATS, 37491577, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the advance in the town, Staff Sergeant Coats led a squad on a mission to attack an enemy machine gun position in a house. Halting the squad, Staff Sergeant Coats, at risk of his life, advanced alone through heavy enemy machine gun fire up to the house, threw a grenade through a window and killed the entire enemy gun crew. After entering he threw several grenades in the basement, killed another gun crew and captured 13 enemy soldiers. This action completely ended all enemy resistance in the town and secured the right flank for the Division's ensuing advance. Staff Sergeant Coats' gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

FRUIT B. CARR, 18071182, Corporal, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During street fighting in the town, an Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon, engaged in patrol activity, encountered intense enemy machine gun cross fire which wounded one member of the patrol and forced the others to take cover. Corporal Carr, Squad Leader and Acting Platoon Sergeant, voluntarily and at risk of his life, moved to the center of the street, which was subjected to intense enemy automatic weapons fire, and carried the wounded comrade over 60 yards of open ground to the safety of a building. There he administered first aid. He then charged the enemy gun with a bazooka in an attempt to destroy it. Although Corporal Carr was fatally wounded in this action, the fearless courage with which he attacked the enemy emplacement diverted their attention toward himself and enabled a comrade, advancing from another direction, to destroy it with bazooka fire. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

II—Award of Silver Star—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

MARTIN O. MERRILL, 37536999, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacher, France. During an attack on high ground near the Fort, Private

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First Class Merrill, Automatic Rifleman, and two companions were hit by enemy light machine gun fire. Rendered unconscious and wounded seriously, Private First Class Merrill regained consciousness as the enemy machine gun crew was searching his two comrades. He recovered his weapon and placed such effective fire upon the crew that several of them were killed and the rest were forced to make a disorderly retreat. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

III. Award of Bronze Star—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

LESTER J. MORRISON, 38155408, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 5 December 1944 in the vicinity of Ober Limberg, Germany. During the preparations for the 358th Infantry's initial assault across the Saar River, Staff Sergeant Morrison, Platoon Sergeant, selected positions for two strategically important Observation Posts. He remained at one of the posts and despite heavy enemy fire of various calibers, informed the Regimental Command Post of important enemy movements and enemy artillery fire, both before and during the assault crossing. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

DALE W. STUART, 35001932, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacher, France. During an assault on the Fort, when the section leader of a machine gun section became a casualty, Sergeant Stuart, Squad Leader, assumed command and without regard for his personal safety directed accurate machine gun fire in support of the attacking infantry. By his courageous leadership and complete devotion to duty he materially contributed to the successful accomplishment of the infantry's mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

OLIVE P. JAFFRAY, JR., 0382001, Captain, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 30 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

POLLIN D. BARNARD, 0527447, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 - 14 November 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

GILMAN E. GAMBS, 0538406, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

SOL S. GOFFSTEIN, 01305239, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 9 - 10 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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MERRILL B. HUDES, 01298133, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 30 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

JOHN C. MILLER, 18108389, First Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

GEORGE W. HILL, 14073364, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

CLARENCE A. TIEDE, 37155035, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 1 November 1944. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

ROY G. ALLEN, 37154702, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

ROY H. ORELLI, 37179118, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 2 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

IGNACIO VACCARO, 34201578, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Florida.

EUGENE J. CARPENTER, 37170673, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 22 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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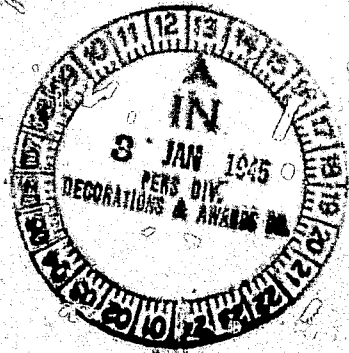
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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

FRED E. LEE, JR., 33132089, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack, the Forward Artillery Observation Post of the Second Battalion, 359th Infantry, was surrounded by enemy tanks and infantry. Staff Sergeant Lee, Forward Artillery Observer, at risk of his life, remained at the Observation Post and directed accurate artillery fire upon the enemy. When the enemy attempted to infiltrate into his position, he shot one and physically overpowered another. His skillful direction of effective artillery support fire and complete devotion to duty aided materially in the repulsion of the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

JOHN E. McIVER, JR., 0415459, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 November to 14 November 1944. Captain McIVER distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Regimental Transportation Officer. During the crossing of the Moselle River, he overcame the obstacles of constant enemy heavy artillery fire and waters swollen to unprecedented heights. Using only small boats and barges, he maintained a smooth, efficient and prompt delivery of vitally needed vehicles and anti-tank guns to the far shore. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

DALE L. THOMAS, 0442454, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 November to 12 November 1944, First Lieutenant Thomas distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon Leader. Subsequent to the crossing of the flooded Moselle River, when the problem of supply became critical, he skillfully supervised the transportation of supplies across the swollen river. Despite intense enemy fire and

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without regard for his personal safety, he worked without rest for forty-eight hours to insure a expeditious delivery of urgently needed items to the front line troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ **ELDON A. STREET**, 37000154, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 10 November to 14 November 1944, First Sergeant Street distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. After crossing the flooded Moselle River, he volunteered to handle the flow of supplies at the shore. With complete disregard for enemy heavy artillery fire, First Sergeant Street worked continuously for forty-eight hours to assure a prompt, efficient delivery of vitally needed supplies to the front line troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ **WILLIAM H. WERNICK**, 37179756, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 November to 14 November 1944, Staff Sergeant Wernick distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. Subsequent to the crossing of the flooded Moselle River by the 359th Infantry, when the problem of supply became critical, he skillfully supervised the transportation of supplies across the swollen river. Later that night, when signal supplies were needed, he loaded the equipment aboard a storm boat; voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, crossing the river to deliver the cargo. The next day he again crossed the river and supervised a steady flow of supplies to the forward elements. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

WILLIAM J. ZOLNER, JR., 31032515, Private First Class (Then Private), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of Norther, France. As Private First Class Zolner led a convoy of four vehicles, containing critically needed supplies, from the Battalion to the forward echelon, heavy enemy fire impeded the advance. Without regard for his personal safety, he successfully led the supply convoy through the enemy fire to its destination. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ **RICHARD P. SHAPIRO**, 12100520, Private, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 August 1944 in the vicinity of Le Mexlerault, France. During the attack on the town, twelve men became casualties between the position of a company of the 359th Infantry and the enemy. Private Shapiro, Company Aid-man, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy small arms fire, voluntarily advanced alone to effect their evacuation. While engaged in this brave attempt, he was taken prisoner by the enemy. His selfless act was a feat of courage inspirational to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Delaware.

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✓ BERNHARDT T. BEEGESON, 0353760, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Montana.

✓ MAURICE J. PROCTOR, 01300080, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 18 July to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ ADOLPH C. SPENGLER, 0405011, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

✓ JOHN R. LYNCH, 0386911, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 12 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ GEORGE L. WETZEL, 0314064, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 12 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ LLOYD A. PIRNLE, W2113304, Chief Warrant Officer, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 12 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ RICHARD G. WEBORG, W2126685, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ ELMER W. BECKMAN, 37173654, Master Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ FREMONT W. LARSON, 6453599, Master Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 27 June 1944 and 22 August to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ LOUIS S. ROBB, 37008840, Master Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 12 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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FRED T. RONIGER, 38088720, Master Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

MORGAN H. GRANE, 37138951, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 July to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

HAROLD S. FRANKLIN, 31032170, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

FRANK G. GRECO, 36129518, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

ROBERT R. MARTIN, 33416679, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

NORMAN R. MCKAY, 33484975, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

RENO W. PETERSON, 37173412, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

JAMES D. PURDY, 37173430, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

WILLIAM F. COCKMAN, 37173220, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

ARTHUR T. FRANKS, 38094677, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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RAYMOND A. BIESER, 17045832, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

JOHN H. SMITH, 37156070, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

MILMER HAHNER, 37156586, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

VIRRETT J. SPHER, 37107550, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

IRA I. FLESCH, 01035008, Captain, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 7 December to 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen, Germany. During the establishment of a beachhead across the Saar River, it became necessary to cover an area of approximately four miles of the Saar Valley with smoke to conceal troop movements. To insure the successful completion of this mission, Captain Flesch, Assistant Division Chemical Officer, traversed the entire area for a period of eleven days, and, despite intense enemy fire, made regular inspection of the smoke generators. His courageous act materially aided the success of the mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

RICHARD B. CHILDRESS, 35094194, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 5 August 1944 in the vicinity of Landivy, France. During the night, the Rear Echelon Command Post was subjected to an intense enemy aerial bombardment. Three men, who were standing guard at Post Number 1, were killed by an exploding bomb. Staff Sergeant Childress, Acting First Sergeant, as Sergeant of the Guard, realizing the danger of leaving the post unguarded, elected to stand guard alone the rest of the night. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

EDWARD O. COOPER, 0187631, Lieutenant Colonel, Finance Department, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 18 June to 20 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

FRANK GILCHRIST, 0385973, Lieutenant Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 9 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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WILLIAM I. RUSSELL, 0261522, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

THOMAS P. BROOKS, 0314609, Major, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 August to 10 August 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

LESIE V. DIX, 0364507, Major, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 November to 20 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

RICHARD I. LYNCH, 0351778, Major, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 August to 10 August 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

RALPH C. NICHOL, 0354612, Major, Dental Corps, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 1 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

MORRELL G. GROSSTEINER, 37404735, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 August to 10 August 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

HENRY MATHEWS, 6344369, First Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

ROBERT W. McCLUNG, 38092195, Master Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 August to 10 August 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

VINCENT J. COLANGELO, 32556612, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 August to 10 August 1944. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

CLARENCE L. MOONE, 37270922, Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 5 August to 10 August 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

AUBREY M. RAYBURN, 20432765, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During an attack on the town, Sergeant Rayburn, Gun Commander, and his crew were isolated in an exposed position and subjected to continuous enemy heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. At risk of his life, Sergeant Rayburn maintained his position and directed his crew with such expert efficiency and cool courage that they destroyed five enemy tanks, one self-propelled gun and captured twenty-five enemy infantrymen. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

NOLAN J. MONTZ, 20432756, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 17 August to 20 August 1944, Sergeant Montz distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as a Gun Commander. During an attack on a strongly defended enemy town, despite constant enemy heavy artillery and small arms fire, he directed the movement and fire of his crew so effectively that three enemy tanks were destroyed and enemy resistance neutralized by the fire. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

LOUIS S. SCHIMPF, 35135456, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During the attack, Sergeant Schimpf, Tank Destroyer Commander, led his crew in a fierce fire-fight at close range with a numerically superior enemy armored force which they destroyed. Sergeant Schimpf and his companions assisted also in capturing 300 of the enemy including a Brigade Commander. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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HERMAN W. WERNER, 3721537, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 17 - 20 August 1944, Sergeant Werner distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as a Gun Commander. During an attack on a strongly defended enemy town, despite constant enemy artillery and small arms fire, he directed the movement and fire of his crew so effectively that three enemy tanks were destroyed and enemy resistance neutralized by the fire. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

EDWARD BUNDLE, 33178849, Corporal, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During the attack, Corporal Bundle, Gunner, and the other members of a Tank Destroyer Crew, engaged a numerically superior enemy armored force in a fierce fire-fight at close range which they destroyed. Corporal Bundle, and his comrades assisted also in capturing 300 of the enemy including a Brigade Commander. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

HAROLD C. CARLETON, 20412579, Corporal, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 17 - 20 August 1944, Corporal Carleton distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Gunner. During an attack on a strongly defended enemy town and despite constant enemy heavy artillery and small arms fire, he operated his gun so effectively that three enemy tanks were destroyed and much enemy resistance neutralized by his fire. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

JAMES O. HOLMES, 20432749, Corporal, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 17 - 20 August 1944, Corporal Holmes distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as a Gunner. During an attack on a strongly defended enemy town, despite constant enemy heavy artillery and small arms fire, he operated his gun so effectively that three enemy tanks were destroyed and enemy resistance neutralized by his fire. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

RALPH C. WALLS, 35263527, Corporal, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During an engagement with enemy armored elements, Corporal Walls, Gunner, ** Platoon, Company **, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, without regard for his personal safety, remained at the gun position despite the intense enemy barrage, and with accurate fire wrought great destruction on the enemy equipment and personnel. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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ELMO H. BAUER, 3809820, Technician Fifth Grade, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. When a tank destroyer platoon encountered enemy armored vehicles, Technician Fifth Grade Bauer, Tank Destroyer Driver, moved the vehicle through intense enemy fire and occupied a commanding position affording direct fire on the enemy tanks. His courageous act enabled the gun crew of the machine to render great destruction to enemy equipment and personnel. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WILLIAM B. GRANT, 31016888, Technician Fifth Grade, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During the attack, Technician Fifth Grade Grant, Driver, and the other members of a Tank Destroyer Crew, engaged a numerically superior enemy armored force in a fierce fire-fight at close range which they destroyed. Technician Fifth Grade Grant and his comrades assisted also in capturing 300 of the enemy including a Brigade Commander. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

ERIC A. NELSON, 37340248, Private First Class, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During the attack, Private First Class Nelson, Cannoneer, and the other members of a Tank Destroyer Crew, engaged a numerically superior enemy armored force in a fierce fire-fight at close range which they destroyed. Private First Class Nelson and his comrades assisted also in capturing 300 of the enemy including a Brigade Commander. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

EDWARD C. RUDNIK, 12077192, Private, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During an encirclement of enemy troops, Private Rudnik, Cannoneer, though wounded, remained at his post while subjected to heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. His courageous action and complete devotion to duty materially aided the Tank Destroyer Crew in destroying many enemy armored vehicles in addition to inflicting numerous casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

CHARLES W. BURKE, 15112471, Private, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During the attack, Private Burke, Cannoneer, and the other members of a Tank Destroyer Crew, engaged a numerically superior enemy armored force in a fierce fire-fight at close range which they destroyed. Private Burke and his comrades assisted also in capturing 300 of the enemy including a Brigade Commander. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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LEVANDER M. MORRIS, 32158411, Private, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. Despite enemy heavy artillery and small arms fire, Private Morris remained at his post and expertly performed his duties as Cannoneer. His courageous and tireless efforts aided materially in the destruction of five enemy tanks and one enemy self-propelled gun, and caused twenty-five casualties in the enemy infantry. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

HARRY E. DAVIS, 35135428, First Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 15 August to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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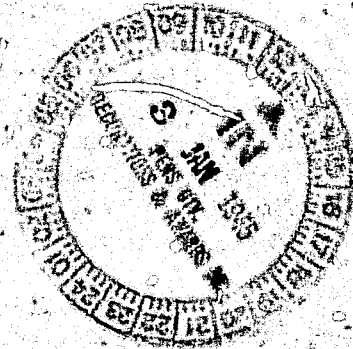
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Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

WILLIAM J. TOMKO, 35062634, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 - 15 November 1944 Technician Fourth Grade Tomko distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Signal Corps Cameraman, without regard for his personal safety, he continuously subjected himself to intense enemy fire of various calibers, while recording the 90th Infantry Division's assault crossing of the Moselle River with a motion picture camera. Technician Fourth Grade Tomko's courage and devotion to duty were in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

WARREN J. ROTHENBERGER, 12142936, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 166th Signal Photo Company, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 - 15 November 1944 Private First Class Rothenberger distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. During the Koenigsmacher bridgehead operation, Private First Class Rothenberger, Signal Corps Cameraman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy enemy observed artillery fire to secure a faithful photographic record of this hazardous undertaking. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ CHARLES E. AUERBACH, 0442085, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 14 December 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

✓ WILLIAM E. DOUGLASS, 0396069, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 14 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Delaware.

✓ ALFRED L. LEA, 0465836, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 28 July to 14 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ JOE G. LEVIN, 0271093, Captain, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 14 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

URIEL H. GRIGGS, JR., 01184505, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 241st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When visibility from a pill-box used as an Observation Post became limited, Second Lieutenant Griggs moved outside to a position under heavy observed enemy small arms fire at close range. He, at risk of his life, remained in this position, directed and adjusted accurate artillery fire which knocked out one enemy machine gun, three enemy mortars and killed approximately fifty enemy soldiers. The combined courage and technical knowledge of Second Lieutenant Griggs aided materially in the repulsion of the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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~~XICRELL J. KELLY, 01180986, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 241st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, Second Lieutenant Kelly, Artillery Forward Observer, established an Observation Post in a dangerously exposed position. When the enemy launched a counterattack, the Observation Post was hit by direct enemy tank and small arms fire, making Second Lieutenant Kelly's position almost untenable. At risk of his life, he remained at his post and directed artillery fire so expertly that it disabled three enemy tanks, killed the tank crews and killed or wounded innumerable enemy infantry troops. The cool courage and remarkable ability shown by Second Lieutenant Kelly contributed immeasurably to the complete repulsion of the enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.~~

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ THOMAS J. REILLY, JR., 31040899, Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 3 July to 17 September 1944, Sergeant Reilly distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Reconnaissance Sergeant. Despite the intense enemy fire to which he was constantly subjected in the performance of his missions, Sergeant Reilly's actions were always exemplified by aggressiveness, cool courage and a complete devotion to duty. He was killed in action while on a reconnaissance mission into enemy territory. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ EVERETT V. BONFOLEY, 19050492, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 29 June to 29 November 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ HARRY H. GRAY, JR., 0452137, Captain, Cavalry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 3 July to 11 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ ARCHIE P. NULIN, 34388413, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 16 March to 10 November 1944. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

✓ GUY B. ELLIS, 6896325, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 29 June to 29 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

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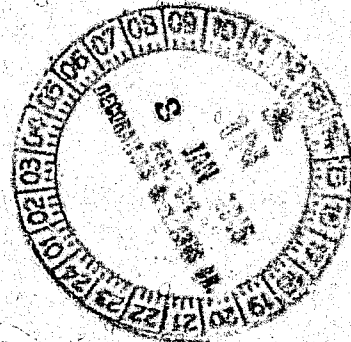
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I. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JOHN M. WALDROP, 34473878, Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Waldrop, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy observed mortar fire, advanced to the position of two casualties, administered first aid and assisted in their evacuation to the Aid Station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

GORDON G. HAGEN, 37325455, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. During the night when a soldier was injured by an enemy mine, Private Hagen, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety, advanced through the area known to be heavily mined to effect his evacuation. Though Private Hagen was mortally wounded by a mine in making this selfless attempt, his act was a feat of courage inspirational to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

JUDOLPH J. MEZOSI, 35345290, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Mezosi, Surgical Technician, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy observed mortar fire, advanced to the position of two casualties, administered first aid and assisted in their evacuation to the Aid Station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

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✓ **OLYDE E. FOSTER**, 39108494, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Private Foster, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy observed mortar fire, advanced to the position of two casualties, administered first aid and assisted in their evacuation to the Aid Station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

✓ **ARMER LAVENDER**, 39859064, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Private Lavender, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy observed mortar fire, advanced to the position of two casualties, administered first aid and assisted in their evacuation to the Aid Station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

✓ **ARTHUR G. MYERS**, 33257726, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Private Myers, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy observed mortar fire, advanced to the position of two casualties, administered first aid and assisted in their evacuation to the Aid Station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ **JAMES H. STOGNER**, 38518722, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Private Stogner, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy observed mortar fire, advanced to the position of two casualties, administered first aid and assisted in their evacuation to the Aid Station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

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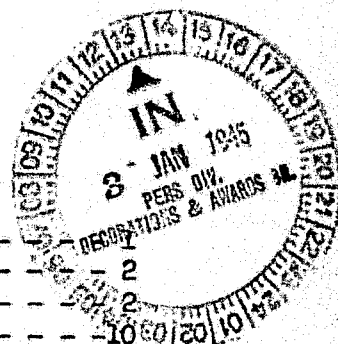
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AWARD OF SILVER STAR---. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓ WILLIAM A. DENBAUGH, O112648, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 - 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom, France. While First Lieutenant Denbaugh, Platoon Leader, and his troops were constructing a ferry to transport critically needed items across the swollen Moselle River, they were subjected to intermittent enemy artillery and small arms fire from enemy fortifications on the far side. Later, under cover of darkness, First Lieutenant Denbaugh with three men, voluntarily and at risk of his life, crossed the raging torrent and destroyed an enemy pillbox from which enemy mortar artillery and small arms fire had been directed against them. His courageous and aggressive action aided materially in the successful completion of the ferry. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

✓ PERCY L. NEWHOUSE, 37081834, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 and 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the attack, Sergeant Newhouse led a demolition squad on a mission of destroying strongpoints in the enemy-held Grand Fortress de Koeningmacher. At risk of his life, Sergeant Newhouse carried demolition charges through areas subjected to intense enemy fire of various calibers and, while in direct view of the enemy, placed and ignited charges which destroyed the protective design of the fort. After the Fort had been taken, Sergeant Newhouse discovered an enemy minefield. After reporting its location, he personally led an infantry company through it and enabled them to move on to their next objective. Sergeant Newhouse's courage and excellent leadership materially aided the infantry's rapid penetration into enemy territory. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR---. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

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JAMES L. BAUMGARTNER, 35896816, Private, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the construction of a foot bridge over the swollen Moselle River, enemy artillery barrages and small arms fire covered the sector, inflicting casualties. When advised to take cover, Private Baumgartner, Radio Operator, and a companion, without regard for personal safety, remained with a seriously wounded comrade, rendered first aid and carried him to a place of comparative safety. When the enemy fire subsided, with the aid of his companion, Private Baumgartner assisted litter bearers in carrying the wounded man to the rear, where he was given further medical treatment and evacuated. The prompt and courageous action of Private Baumgartner saved the life of the seriously wounded man. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

BYRON B. HERRON, 37138473, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. Upon arrival at the Moselle River, a platoon of the 315th Engineer Combat Battalion discovered there were no ferrying troops at the site and all boats except one, were on the opposite shore. Staff Sergeant Herron, Platoon Sergeant, immediately organized a boat crew and, without regard for his personal safety, made four trips under an intense enemy artillery barrage to ferry the men across the river. After the platoon was successfully across, he kept the crew intact and ferried six aid-men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

JAMES E. LEDFORD, 7081023, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 23 July 1944 in the vicinity of Seves, France. While making a reconnaissance near the town, Staff Sergeant Ledford, Unit Foreman, observed four wounded men lying in an exposed position. Despite the intense enemy heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he and a companion carried the wounded men to a place of comparative safety and administered first aid. They then evacuated the four men and two walking wounded to the nearest Aid Station and obtained medical aid for other casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

NORMAN E. BUNCE, 42025474, Corporal (Then Private First Class), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of Le Bourg-St. Leonard, France. During a tactical move by the * * Platoon of Company * * of the 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, a Squad Leader was seriously wounded. Private First Class Bunce, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced with a companion through intense enemy heavy tank fire and evacuated the casualty to the Medical Aid Station. His heroic achievement saved the wounded man's life and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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EMIL R. BUECHLER, 37169581, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 23 July 1944 in the vicinity of Seves, France. While making a reconnaissance near the town, Private First Class Buechler, Driver, observed four wounded men lying in an exposed position. Despite the intense enemy heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he and a companion carried the wounded men to a place of comparative safety and administered first aid. They then evacuated the four men and two walking wounded to the nearest Aid Station and obtained medical aid for other casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

THOMAS E. CHARLTON, 33798832, Private, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of Le Bourg-St. Leonard, France. During a tactical move by the * * Platoon of Company * * of the 315th Engineer Combat Battalion a Squad Leader was seriously wounded. Private Charlton, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced with a companion through intense enemy heavy tank fire and evacuated the casualty to the medical Aid Station. His heroic achievement saved the wounded man's life and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

EUGENE H. FLOOD, 0460972, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 10 - 13 December 1944, Second Lieutenant Flood distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Artillery Forward Observer. Despite intense enemy mortar and artillery fire, he directed accurate artillery supporting fire, relayed vital information concerning important enemy movements, and personally killed several enemy troops with his automatic pistol. When wounded by enemy artillery fire, he refused to be evacuated until proper relief for his Observation Post arrived. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

ROBERT E. BROWN, 37155593, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 August 1944 in the vicinity of Le Bourg-St. Leonard, France. During an enemy counterattack, the Forward Observation Post manned by Sergeant Brown was subjected to heavy enemy small arms and direct tank fire. Without regard for his personal safety, he remained in this hazardous position and maintained communication with the supporting artillery, which, through the transmission of accurate fire data wrought destruction on the enemy force and enabled the infantry to repulse the attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

JOHN T. CARTER, 20770, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 10 - 13 December 1944, Technician Fourth Grade Carter distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Radio Operator. Despite intense enemy fire of various calibers, he directed accurate artillery supporting fire and when his Observation Post was threatened by enemy infantry troops, he aided in the successful repulsion of this attack by personally killing several of the enemy. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

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II--AWARD OF FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal and three Oak-Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to:

✓ GEORGE J. PESZAT, 01182938, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 21 October to 4 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Observer. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ FREDERICK E. FAY, 0525741, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 18 October to 3 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

IV--AWARD OF AIR MEDAL--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to:

✓ WILLIAM K. COMBS, 01176926, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 24 October to 4 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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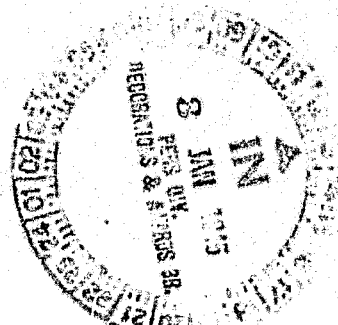
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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ WALTER W. MATHIS, 38063663, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of Thionville, France. During an infantry attack on the town, communication lines between the forward assault elements and the supporting artillery were severed three times by enemy shell fire. Each time, Corporal Mathis, Wire Corporal, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced with a companion in a $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle through intense enemy artillery and sniper fire to repair the communication lines. On the third trip when the truck was knocked out by enemy shell fragments he continued on foot and made necessary repairs. Corporal Mathis' courageous act enabled constant transmission of accurate fire data and aided materially the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ WILLIAM J. BAKER, 32553908, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 September 1944 in the vicinity of Thionville, France. During an infantry attack on the town, communication lines between the forward assault elements and the supporting artillery were severed three times by enemy shell fire. Each time, Technician Fifth Grade Baker, Wireman, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced with a companion in a $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle through intense artillery and sniper fire to repair the communication lines. On the third trip when the truck was knocked out by enemy shell fragments he continued on foot and made necessary repairs. Technician Fifth Grade Baker's courageous act enabled constant transmission of accurate fire data and aided materially the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

II. AWARD OF THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal and two Oak-Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a third Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to:

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LLOYD A. WAGLAND, 0541517, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 7 October to 16 November 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

III--AWARD OF SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal and Oak-Leaf Cluster previously awarded, a second Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JOSEPH P. GODFREY, 01169534, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 3 October to 13 November 1944 as Artillery Liaison Observer. Entered Military Service from Maine.

IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section 1, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JACK HESTER, 01177837, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 5 October to 22 November 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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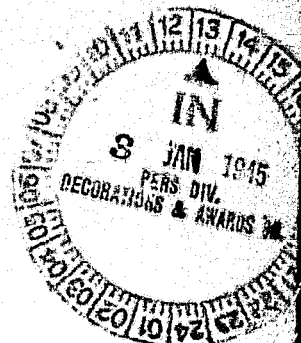
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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--, Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section 7, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

HAROLD L. MAUER, 37274423, Sergeant, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Reims, France. During the attack on the town when the advance of a reconnaissance platoon was impeded by an enemy road block defended by fire of various calibers, Sergeant Mauer, Section Leader, without regard for his personal safety, and despite the enemy fire, led a patrol of five men to the flank of the town. He deployed his men and returned heavy small arms fire, dislodging forty-seven enemy which enabled the reconnaissance platoon to advance through the town and complete their mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

CHARLES H. NUELLE, 37513498, Sergeant (Then Corporal), Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Reims, France. During the attack on the town when the advance of a reconnaissance platoon was impeded by an enemy road block defended by fire of various calibers, Sergeant Nuelle, Squad Leader, assisting the Section Leader, without regard for his personal safety, and despite the enemy fire, led a patrol of five men to the flank of the town. He deployed his men and returned heavy small arms fire, dislodging forty-seven enemy which enabled the reconnaissance platoon to advance through the town and complete their mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section 1, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ROBERT E. STEPHENS, 17002358, First Sergeant, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fremersdorf, Germany. When a provisional platoon led by First Sergeant Stephens, Platoon Leader, advanced toward the town, it encountered intense enemy fire which forced the men to take cover. Despite the enemy barrage,

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First Sergeant Stephens, without regard for his personal safety, reorganized the men, led them into the town and relieved other troops. The success of this action prevented enemy infiltration into the town. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

OLIVER B. DAVIS, JR., 38097409, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières les Metz, France. During an attack on the town, Technician Fourth Grade Davis, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety, administered first aid to several casualties and for a period of nine hours, despite intense enemy fire of all calibers, assisted in their evacuation to the Forward Collecting Point, approximately one mile distant. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

RAED JONES, 34822312, Corporal, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of Lithaire, France. When a dismounted patrol encountered enemy machine gun fire, Corporal Jones quickly deployed the patrol and with accurate small arms fire, killed the enemy gunner and caused the remainder of the gun crew to withdraw. Later during the patrol's further advance, Corporal Jones reconnoitered a suspicious area which proved to be an enemy Command Post. He quickly returned to his unit and with his accurate data, the artillery was able to register on and destroy the enemy installation. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

JOHN W. KING, JR., 33516508, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières les Metz, France. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade King, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety, administered first aid to several casualties and for a period of nine hours, despite intense enemy fire of all calibers, assisted in their evacuation to the Forward Collecting Point, approximately one mile distant. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

JAMES K. LOONEY, 18080304, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières les Metz, France. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Looney, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety, administered first aid to several casualties and for a period of nine hours, despite intense enemy fire of all calibers, assisted in their evacuation to the Forward Collecting Point approximately one mile distant. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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EVERETT ROACH, Jr., 36508593, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private First Class), Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army, for heroic achievement on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of Lithaire, France. When a dismounted patrol encountered enemy machine gun fire, Technician Fifth Grade Roach deployed quickly with the patrol and assisted in dispersing the enemy gun crew by means of accurate small arms fire. Later, during the patrol's further advance, Technician Fifth Grade Roach reconnoitered a suspicious area which proved to be an enemy Command Post. He returned promptly to his unit and with his accurate data, the artillery was able to register on, and destroy the enemy installation. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

PAUL E. UNCLE, 35501384, Technician Fifth Grade, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 July 1944 in the vicinity of Lithaire, France. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Uncle, though a Driver untrained in medical work, without regard for his personal safety, administered first aid to two casualties. Despite intense enemy mortar and small arms fire, he assisted in evacuating them to the Aid Station. His courageous action resulted in saving the lives of the two wounded men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

IV--AWARD OF PURPLE HEART--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Purple Heart is awarded to:

EDGAR S. SEAVEY, 01030612, Second Lieutenant, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy in Germany on 12 December 1944. Entered Military Service from New Hampshire.

ROBERT E. STEPHENS, 17002358, First Sergeant, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy in Germany on 18 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

FRANK R. BRIDWELL, 35710126, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 90th Signal Company, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy in France on 30 June 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

HOWARD R. ADAMS, 36334110, Private, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for wounds received in action against the enemy in France on 9 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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I--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ MITCHEL R. WEISSEBUCI, 0413404, Captain, Medical Corps, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberesch, Germany. During an attack on the town, Captain Weissbuch, Battalion Surgeon, without regard for his personal safety, made repeated trips through an area which was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire, aided in evacuating eleven wounded men, and then expertly treated them despite the continued enemy shelling. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ OWEN A. WIBSTAD, 37172685, Private First Class, Medical Department, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberesch, Germany. During an attack on the town, Private First Class Wibstad, Driver, without regard for his personal safety, made repeated trips through an area which was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire and aided in evacuating eleven wounded men to the Aid Station for medical treatment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ WALTER A. WOOD, 37172668, Private First Class, Medical Department, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberesch, Germany. When three men were wounded during an enemy artillery concentration, Private First Class Wood, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continual barrage and immediately went to their aid. Though Private First Class Wood sustained a leg wound while traversing the open areas between the casualties, he remained in the Battery area and continued to administer first aid to another wounded man while the other casualties were being evacuated. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ GEORGE J. EPPELE, 35320911, Private, Medical Department, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberesch, Germany. During an attack on the town, Private Eppele, Surgical Technician without regard for his personal safety, advanced to the positions of several casualties lying in a field heavily subjected to enemy artillery fire and administered first aid to the wounded men until they were evacuated for further medical treatment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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II. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section 7, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to:

DAVID LEE, 01182171, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 15 July to 7 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Observer. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

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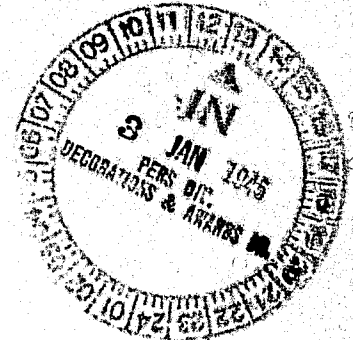
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ **ELLIOTT C. DERENCIN**, 01180870, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 6 - 8 August 1944, First Lieutenant Derencin distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. While advancing with the forward elements of an infantry unit, First Lieutenant Derencin transmitted accurate fire data to the support artillery, which destroyed enemy gun emplacements and other strongpoints along the route. Upon reaching the objective, First Lieutenant Derencin's effective direction and adjustment materially aided the artillery to destroy several enemy anti-tank guns and an enemy ammunition dump. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ **JOHN B. MARTIN**, 0523713, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 4 - 5 December 1944, Second Lieutenant Martin distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. While operating a Forward Observation Post, Second Lieutenant Martin was subjected to intense enemy artillery and machine gun fire. For forty-eight hours, he remained in this dangerous position and transmitted accurate reports of enemy activity, which enabled the artillery to fire effectively and aid materially the infantry's advance. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

✓ **JOHN P. SEMIRARO**, 32204664, Corporal, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 4 - 6 December 1944, Corporal Semiraro distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. When two enlisted men were wounded at a Forward Observation Post, Corporal Semiraro, Driver, voluntarily helped them through intense enemy fire to an aid station for treatment. He then went back and maintained the Observation Post alone until they returned. Corporal Semiraro remained on duty with the men for forty-eight hours until they were properly relieved. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ **DONALD R. STOCKERT**, 19074697, Corporal, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 December 1944 in the vicinity of Siersdorf, Germany. When a direct hit on a 2 1/2-ton truck ignited its cargo of 105 MM howitzer ammunition and powder charges, Corporal Stockert, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, secured a fire extinguisher and, despite intense enemy shelling and exploding artillery ammunition, extinguished

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the fire. His heroic achievement saved needed ammunition from destruction and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Washington.

STUART R. SPEAR, 31365843, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 4 - 6 December 1944, Technician Fifth Grade Spear distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. While Technician Fifth Grade Spear, Radio Operator, was securing replacement radio batteries from his vehicle, near a Forward Observation Post the blast of an enemy shell burst injured him. After having his injuries treated at a nearby aid station, he returned to the Observation Post under enemy fire, and continued to operate his radio until properly relieved. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

GREGORY D. MAGNON-MALETTA, 31422860, Private, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 4 - 6 December 1944, Private Magnon-Maletta distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. While Private Magnon-Maletta, Assistant Radio Operator, assisted an injured companion in returning to a Forward Observation Post, he sustained a leg wound from enemy machine gun fire. After having his wounds treated at a nearby aid station, he returned to the Observation Post and continued to help operate it until properly relieved. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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24 December 1944

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

SIMON V. MARKIEWICZ, 0435556, Major, Medical Corps, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Bonvillers, France. When the Division Artillery Command Post was attacked by a numerically superior enemy force numerous casualties were inflicted. Major Markiewicz, Medical Officer, without regard for his personal safety, traversed open and difficult terrain under intense enemy fire to administer first aid and evacuate the casualties. His courageous and determined action aided materially the saving of many lives. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

OLIV N. HIBBLER, 0280480, Captain, Dental Corps, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Bonvillers, France. During an enemy attack on the Division Artillery Command Post, Captain Hibbler, Dental Officer, without regard for his personal safety, despite intense enemy fire of all calibers, remained at the Aid Station, treated casualties and supervised the evacuation of the wounded. His courageous action was greatly instrumental in saving the lives of three men and effecting the speedy recovery of seven others. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

JOHN A. LINDBOEH, 31187347, Private, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 5 December 1944 in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. During the attack on the town, vital wire communications were disrupted by enemy artillery fire. Despite the intense enemy fire, Private Lindboeh, Driver, and a companion attempted to repair the important lines. When the continuous enemy artillery fire made this impossible, he and his companion laid two new lines over a more difficult but safer route to re-establish the important communications. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

JOHN J. PAVELKA, 38155103, Private, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 5 December 1944 in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. During the attack on the town, vital wire communications were disrupted by enemy artillery fire. Despite the intense enemy fire, Private Pavelka, Lineman, and a companion attempted to repair the important lines. When the continuous enemy artillery fire made this impossible, he and his companion laid two new lines over a more difficult but safer route to re-establish the important communications. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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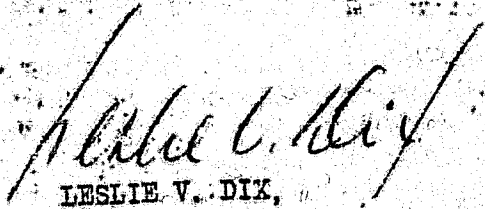
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓ JOSEPH B. MULLINEAUX JR., 01184266, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Attached Unassigned, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 December 1944 in the vicinity of Searfels, Germany. Assigned the mission of locating a key enemy artillery position, Second Lieutenant Mullineaux, Liaison Pilot, was prevented by concentrated enemy antiaircraft artillery fire from flying into position to observe the area. At risk of his life, he deliberately piloted his plane into the flak zone and, from the flashes of enemy fire, ascertained the position of the antiaircraft battery. With this obstacle removed, greatly improved air observation on enemy field artillery was provided. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

II. AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ CHARLES S. GARDNER, 01637492, First Lieutenant, Chemical Warfare Service, 81st Chemical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in operations on 3 October 1944 in the vicinity of Kaizeres les Metz, France. During the assault by Company **, 357th Infantry, First Lieutenant Gardner, Forward Observer, directed mortar fire from an area subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. When the infantry moved forward, covered by these mortar concentrations, First Lieutenant Gardner, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced with the infantry assault elements. This fearless action inspired all who witnessed it. The objective gained, he planned and directed defensive fires which facilitated organization of the position. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maine.

III. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 138—General Orders Number 138, this headquarters, 26 November 1944, awarding the Bronze Star to CHARLES S. GARDNER, 01637492, First Lieutenant, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished in Section II, of this General Order, as an Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star.

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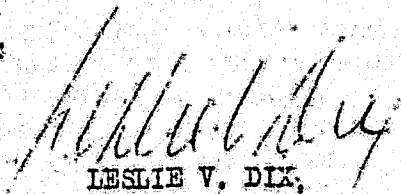
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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

ISADORE LEVINSON, 01296397, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Klange, France. During an attack on the town by a ~~platoon~~ of Company, 357th Infantry, the Platoon Leader was seriously wounded. First Lieutenant Levinson, Weapons Platoon Leader, at risk of his life, advanced through intense enemy fire to the leaderless platoon and assumed command. Rallying and encouraging individual aggressiveness among the men, he organized them into an assault unit and, under his courageous leadership, repulsed the enemy force and captured the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

RICHARD E. LARSON, 37256022, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, the enemy launched a counter-attack against a road block covering the left flank of the 90th Infantry Division's bridgehead across the Saar River. Staff Sergeant Larson, Observer of an 81 mm mortar platoon, left a position of comparative safety, and, at risk of his life, directed accurate mortar fire upon the enemy force until enemy hand grenades wounded him and destroyed his radio and carbine. He then threw captured grenades at the enemy with such effectiveness that the enemy was unable to continue the attack. His courageous and aggressive action contributed immeasurably to the successful repulsion of the enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

WALTER M. ALMOND, 38125326, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During the attack on the town, Sergeant Almond, Acting Squad Leader, and his squad were subjected to enemy machine gun fire emanating from the basement of an enemy held schoolhouse; the first floor of which, they had seized. Sergeant Almond, with a companion, voluntarily and at risk of his life and disregarding the booby-trapped stairway, quickly descended a flight of steps to the basement and forced the enemy to surrender. Since the basement proved to be an enemy Command Post, Sergeant Almond was able to provide the Battalion artillery section

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with invaluable information including enemy maps, which they used to locate and effectively silence enemy guns. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JAMES P. BLANKENSHIP, 38099424, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 22 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gometange, France. Pursuant to the mission of outposting the town, Technical Sergeant Blankenship, Platoon Sergeant, without regard for his personal safety, led his platoon across an open area which was subjected to observed enemy artillery fire. Despite continual enemy shelling, he placed his men in strategic positions and, until relieved 48 hours later, secured the town against all enemy infiltration. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

FREDERICK W. DUNSWORTH, 37133997, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kedange, France. Acting as Platoon Sergeant in an attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Dunsworth, without regard for his personal safety, continuously subjected himself to direct enemy fire while moving in advance of the platoon. When the platoon's strength was depleted by casualties, including the Platoon Leader, Staff Sergeant Dunsworth assumed full command and maintained an effective fighting force throughout the battle. His courage and tactical sagacity materially aided in the rapid reduction of enemy resistance and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

* JAMES W. HOEHNER, 01325062, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 - 16 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

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ROBERT J. CONNERS, 12096758, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of Otzwiller, France. With the mission of obtaining all possible information concerning the enemy, Staff Sergeant Connors, Squad Leader, led a patrol into the town. When a member of the patrol was injured while crossing an open area subjected to enemy small arms fire, Staff Sergeant Connors, without regard for his personal safety, immediately went to the aid of the casualty, but was mortally wounded while attempting to move him to safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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IRVING L. SUMMERFIELD, 15303953, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Summerfield, Squad Leader, organized his squad into an efficient fighting force and, without regard for his personal safety, led the squad in an assault on a heavily fortified enemy position. Although mortally wounded during this action, Staff Sergeant Summerfield's courageous actions materially aided the success of the mission and enabled the establishment of a vital supply route. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

JOSEPH E. SUIDOR, 32870930, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During an attack on an enemy fort, Sergeant Suidor remained in a position subjected to intense enemy fire and gave fire protection to a comrade advancing with a demolition charge to force an entrance to the building. Though Sergeant Suidor was mortally wounded during this operation, the damage inflicted on the enemy enabled infantry to charge and capture the objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

IRVIN H. MEIER, JR., 35895561, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During an assault on an enemy fort, Private Meier, Rifleman, despite intense enemy small arms fire, succeeded in placing a satchel charge of explosives at the entrance to the stronghold. Although he was killed in this action Private Meier's selfless and courageous act was a material factor in driving out the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to: (Now Missing in Action)

CHARLIE E. DURHAM, 38089749, First Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. On 15 November 1944, two companies became temporarily isolated from the ** Battalion, 357th Infantry, and it was necessary to carry supplies to them by hand. First Sergeant Durham made personal reconnaissance through machine gun fire and then led three carrying parties to the companies with the urgently needed supplies and ammunition, despite the heavy enemy artillery fire. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WALTER E. CHILCOTE, 42008515, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. After making a reconnaissance of an area under heavy enemy artillery fire, Staff Sergeant Chilcote led a squad and personally deployed each man. Then Staff Sergeant Chilcote returned to the platoon's command post and, in the absence of medical personnel, administered first aid and directed the evacuation of wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

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V--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR---. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section , Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

RUDOLPH MARTELLO, 0373762, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Ebersville, France. While attacking an enemy-held hill, the ** Battalion, 357th Infantry, was subjected to an intense enemy artillery and mortar concentration. Captain Martello, without regard for his personal safety, continuously traversed areas under the heavy enemy fire, administered first aid to wounded men and directed their evacuation. Though Captain Martello was wounded, he refused medical attention until all the wounded men under his command had been treated. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

ARTHUR L. GERRARD, 01323421, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. Prior to the attack on the town by the 357th Infantry, information was needed concerning the disposition of the forward assault elements and enemy positions. First Lieutenant Gerrard, Platoon Leader, advanced through intense enemy fire, reconnoitered the town, contacted the Forward Platoon Leaders and returned to the Regimental Command Post with the necessary data. His courageous act in obtaining the vital information materially aided the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

EMIL BARONDEAU, 01318006, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. On 16 November 1944 Second Lieutenant Barondeau distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Platoon Leader. During the occupation of newly won ground, the platoon was subjected to an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage. Second Lieutenant Barondeau traversed open areas to organize the men into an efficient fighting force. Despite severe casualties, his courageous and exemplary conduct and complete devotion to duty inspired the utmost confidence in the men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

STEPHEN E. VOSEURGH, 02049135, Second Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 16 November 1944. When several troops became casualties in a field heavily subjected to enemy artillery and machine gun fire, Second Lieutenant Voseurgh, Assistant Battalion Surgeon, without regard for his personal safety, advanced to the area. By carrying the wounded men on his back one by one, he evacuated them to a position of safety for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maine.

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EDWARD L. BREWER, 38125039, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 6 - 11 December 1944. As a Platoon Sergeant during an attack on enemy positions by Company**, 357th Infantry, Technical Sergeant Brewer on numerous occasions subjected himself to intense enemy fire while directing machine gun fire on enemy patrols. By his aggressiveness and courageous devotion to duty, he materially aided the platoon's successful repulsion of repeated enemy counterattacks. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

HOMER C. MADRON, 38000370, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of Beau Coudray, France. During an attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Madron, Section Leader, though twice wounded, remained at an Observation Post and adjusted effective artillery and mortar fire upon the enemy. This enabled the assaulting company to take its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

ED M. MELTON, 38147072, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. On 16 November 1944, Staff Sergeant Melton distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Squad Leader. During the occupation of newly won ground the platoon was subjected to an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage and heavy casualties were inflicted. Staff Sergeant Melton traversed open areas to organize the men into an efficient fighting force and supervised the care and evacuation of the wounded. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

HENRY W. THOMPSON, 37702212, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 16 November 1944. When he observed a wounded man lying in an area subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Staff Sergeant Thompson, Gunner, without regard for his personal safety, went to the man and administered first aid until the casualty could be evacuated. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

JOSEPH P. DAY, 32531665, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 4 December 1944. When a truck heavily loaded with high explosive ammunition was set on fire by an enemy shell burst, Sergeant Day, Squad Leader, advanced to the burning truck and with a companion extinguished the fire. His courageous action averted the possibility of casualties and saved valuable materiel from destruction. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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FRED MAKEL, JR., 39041248, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During the attack on the town by Company **, 357th Infantry, enemy bazooka fire temporarily halted the advance. Sergeant Makel, machine gun squad leader, with a companion, secured a bazooka and used the weapon with such devastating effect that the enemy was forced to withdraw enabling the company to advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

ALFRED B. PADILLA, 38001132, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 30 November 1944 in the vicinity of Euren, Germany. When the Squad Leader of a heavy machine gun squad was wounded during an attack on an enemy position, Sergeant Padilla, (then Private First Class) immediately assumed command, reorganized the squad and continued the attack. After the objective was secured, Sergeant Padilla traversed open areas which were subjected to intense enemy artillery fire to insure that the machine gun positions offered the best possible fields for fire. During this inspection he evacuated a wounded man to a position of comparative safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

ANTHONY G. TASHJIAN, 32759453, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kodange, France. During the attack on the town, a platoon of Company ** was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Sergeant Tashjian, Assistant Squad Leader, fired his automatic rifle at an enemy machine gun position with such devastating effect that the enemy was dispersed, enabling the platoon to continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

JESSIE L. FAHSHIER, 38024525, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 27 October 1944. When a vehicle carrying vital rations and ammunition was damaged by enemy artillery and mortar fire, Technician Fourth Grade Fahshier, Mechanic, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced and repaired the vehicle, permitting it to reach its objective with the urgently-needed supplies. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

HOWARD L. HELM, 37578996, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 10 November 1944. When the advance of Company **, 357th Infantry, was temporarily impeded by fire from an enemy machine gun, Private First Class Helm, Runner, because of no other means of communication, voluntarily crawled 300 yards under intense enemy machine gun fire to convey a fire mission to the supporting mortar platoon. The courageous action displayed by Private First Class Helm in delivering the fire command under such hazardous conditions resulted in the destruction of the enemy machine gun emplacement and enabled the company to continue its advance. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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ORVILLE F. KELLER, 37467286, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières les Metz, France. During an attack on the town, Private First Class Keller, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, accompanied his squad leader in a frontal assault on an enemy-held schoolhouse. The rapidity and aggressiveness of their movement overwhelmed the enemy and forced his surrender. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

FRANCIS X. McGOVERN, 42010150, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 4 December 1944. When a truck heavily loaded with high explosive ammunition was set on fire by an enemy shell burst, Private First Class McGovern, Cannoneer, advanced to the burning truck and, with a companion, extinguished the fire. His courageous action averted the possibility of casualties and saved valuable material from destruction. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

LLOYD E. MEYER, 39712013, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 27 October 1944. During an attack, Private First Class Meyer, Runner, volunteered to assist the mortar observer by acting as radio operator. Despite the intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire and the fact that he had never before operated a radio, he remained at his post to expertly maintain communications and relay all fire orders. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

CALVIN L. MITCHELL, 35773306, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières les Metz, France. During the attack on the town by Company **, 357th Infantry, enemy bazooka fire temporarily halted their advance. Private First Class Mitchell, machine gunner, with a companion, secured a bazooka and used the weapon with such devastating effect that the enemy was forced to withdraw, enabling the company to advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

URBAN L. SANCHEZ, JR., 18103961, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. On 18 November 1944, Private First Class Sanchez distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Driver. During the attack, the ammunition supply of a mortar platoon in support of the battalion became depleted. Private First Class Sanchez voluntarily made numerous trips to an ammunition supply base over a road subjected to heavy enemy observer artillery fire. His courageous action and complete devotion to duty enabled the mortar platoon to furnish necessary support fire to the battalion in the attack. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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JAMES M. WILLIAMS, 34715112, Private First Class, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of Lackenber, France. During the attack on the town, a platoon of Company **, 357th Infantry, encountered enemy fire and suffered many casualties. Although wounded, Private First Class Williams, Medical Aid Man, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced through intense enemy fire and administered first aid to the casualties and remained with the platoon until it reached its objective. By his heroic achievement he saved the lives of many men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

JAMES H. COLLEMAN, 36697645, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 25 June 1944 in the vicinity of Port Bail, France. During an attack on the town, when the position of the Third Platoon of Company **, 357th Infantry, was threatened by the approach of a numerically superior enemy, Private Coleman, Rifleman, voluntarily left his place of concealment and advanced to a nearby building. Without regard for his personal safety, he opened fire upon the enemy with a carbine, killing one and wounding others. His courageous action caused the remainder of the enemy to take cover and enabled the platoon to join other elements of the company. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

HENRY C. PRUITT, 34443404, Private, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. On 16 November 1944, numerous casualties were inflicted by an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage. Despite the constant fire, Private Pruitt, Aid Man, administered first aid and helped evacuate the casualties to safer positions. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

THOMAS W. FAIR, 38145577, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 June to 20 November 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ JOHN C. LUGER, JR., 36587168, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Butzdorf, Germany. During a movement through the town, supposedly cleared of the enemy, the Second Platoon, Company * *, 358th Infantry, was suddenly subjected to intense enemy machine gun, artillery and bazooka fire. Staff Sergeant Luger, Squad Leader, voluntarily and at risk of his life, manned the .50 caliber gun on a tank and directed accurate fire that destroyed one enemy sniper nest and at least ten additional enemy troops. His gallantry enabled two platoons to secure favorable positions with a minimum of casualties and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR—Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓ RICHARD K. ELWELL, 01325484, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom, France. During the crossing of the Moselle River, First Lieutenant Elwell, Battalion S-3, led his platoon with rations and ammunition to the only remaining bridge spanning the river. When concentrated enemy artillery fire destroyed the bridge and one of the two available motor launches, First Lieutenant Elwell loaded the remaining launch and crossed the river in the face of direct enemy machine gun fire. Despite the enemy fire, he made five additional trips to move his entire platoon and all supplies across the river. He then organized a carrying party and succeeded in transporting the supplies for one mile to their destination, thus relieving a critical battalion shortage. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

REX J. ROSS, 01324655, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 9 to 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on Fort Koenigsmacker, Second Lieutenant Ross subjected himself to heavy enemy fire of various calibers as he traversed open areas to direct mortar fire on enemy outpost positions. After the outposts had been neutralized, Second Lieutenant Ross, at risk of his life, advanced

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through direct enemy machinegun fire, carried a 5-gallon can of gasoline to the top of the fort, poured it down a ventilator and set it afire. He then led a group of men in an assault on a portion of the Fort that was firing on friendly troops. At further risk of his life, he threw in a demolition charge and cleared it entirely of the enemy. Second Lieutenant Ross' courageous actions and excellent leadership hastened the surrender of the enemy strongpoint, assisted in the killing and wounding of innumerable enemy and the capture of 301 prisoners. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

WILLIAM C. CAUSEY, 38292771, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Inglange, France. Having successfully passed through a forward rifle company pinned down by enemy fire, Company * * began an attack across an open road under heavy cross fire from enemy machineguns. When the First Platoon's leader was wounded, Technical Sergeant Causey, Squad Leader, immediately assumed command, encouraged the men and, through his outstanding leadership, three enemy machineguns were quickly silenced. Technical Sergeant Causey personally accounted for the destruction of one. Technical Sergeant Causey's courageous actions contributed greatly to the success of the attack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

ROBERT J. DRAKE, 35002823, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 November 1944 in the vicinity of Tettingen, Germany. When the platoon's advance on the town was impeded by six rows of dragon's teeth and two enemy pillboxes, Technical Sergeant Drake, Platoon Leader, led the troops through the enemy obstacle to within 300 yards of the pillbox on the flank. Despite heavy enemy anti-tank and machinegun fire, Technical Sergeant Drake, at risk of his life, made his way alone to the blind side of the pillbox and threw in a hand grenade. This act enabled the platoon to capture the pillbox and its nine occupants. With the aid of companions, he placed and detonated a demolition charge on the second pillbox, seized it and eight prisoners. He then led the platoon through the town and captured 33 more of the enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

SEBASTIAN B. LICATO, 36687612, Staff Sergeant (then Private), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberleuken, Germany. During the battle in the town, Staff Sergeant Licato, at risk of his life, advanced alone into enemy held buildings and with accurate rifle fire personally killed several enemy and captured twenty-five. The following day he aided in the capture of twenty-five more. His courageous and aggressive action enabled the company to seize and hold half the town. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

GEORGE F. O'HALLORAN, 20110107, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on the town, the need for rations and ammunition became critical. Staff Sergeant O'Halloran, Supply Sergeant, organized a carrying party and led it through enemy artillery and machinegun fire on 11 trips from the Moselle River bank to an intermediate supply dump. He then organized other

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carrying parties and, at risk of his life, directed them through further enemy fire to the central supply point, one kilometer away. From this point, he supervised the distribution of supplies to the entire Battalion until Company supply sergeants could supply their own units. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

FRED D. REICHEL, 37155574, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on an enemy position, the advance of a platoon of Company * *, 358th Infantry, was impeded by enemy machinegun fire. Staff Sergeant Reichle, voluntarily and at risk of his life, advanced through intense enemy fire with three companions to within a few yards of the enemy emplacement and destroyed it by use of hand grenades. Immediately following the explosion, he charged and killed the remaining enemy with a bayonet. Staff Sergeant Reichle's courageous action enabled the platoon to continue the attack and capture the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

ROBERT J. WARNER, 31350280, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. During the occupation of a communication trench, a part of an infantry squad and four wounded men were cut off temporarily from their company. Though wounded, Sergeant Warner, Squad Leader, at risk of his life, directed accurate fire which repulsed the enemy and discouraged further enemy attacks. Though wounded again, he supervised and personally assisted in the evacuation of the casualties while subjected to continued enemy fire. His courageous and aggressive action and complete devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men under his command. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

PRIESTLY J. DILLON, 35218770, Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Butzdorf, Germany. While elements of Company * * were advancing along a ridge, they were ambushed by enemy machinegun fire from well-camouflaged positions. Sergeant Dillon, fully cognizant of the dangerous threat, immediately moved forward in direct view of the enemy gunners, loaded a bazooka, fired two rockets, destroyed two enemy machine guns and forced another to withdraw. By his courage and initiative, Sergeant Dillon enabled the men to advance, unharassed by enemy fire, to their objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

FINACE KING, 38024579, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 October 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When movements of enemy troops were observed in the vicinity of Company * * position, Sergeant King, Squad Leader, under cover of darkness, advanced to a select position and established an observation post. From this commanding site he directed accurate mortar fire upon the enemy and forced their withdrawal. He then located an enemy patrol attempting to penetrate the company's position and, at risk of his life, directed effective mortar fire within dangerous proximity to his position. His accurate adjustment of fire disorganized and forced the patrol to retreat. Sergeant King's courage and technical knowledge aided materially in the

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disruption of a possible enemy attack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

EDMUND L. ROEDER, 33155452, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on an enemy position, the advance of a platoon of Company * *, 358th Infantry, was impeded by enemy machinegun fire. Sergeant Roeder, voluntarily and at risk of his life, advanced through intense enemy fire with three companions to within a few yards of the enemy emplacement and destroyed it by use of hand grenades. Immediately following the explosion, he charged and killed the remaining enemy with a bayonet. Sergeant Roeder's courageous action enabled the platoon to continue the attack and capture the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JAMES B. PETERSON, 37476158, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on an enemy position, the advance of a platoon of Company * *, 358th Infantry, was impeded by enemy machinegun fire. Private First Class Peterson, voluntarily and at risk of his life, advanced through intense enemy fire with three companions to within a few yards of the enemy emplacement and destroyed it by use of hand grenades. Immediately following the explosion, he charged and killed the remaining enemy with a bayonet. Private First Class Peterson's courageous action enabled the platoon to continue the attack and capture the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

ALEXANDER A. PRUSINOSKI, 33582253, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During an enemy counterattack, Private First Class Prusinoski, Automatic Rifleman, observed 8 enemy riflemen approaching his platoon and promptly killed them, personally repulsing the counterattack in that area. When an enemy machinegun killed one of his two squad leaders and wounded the other, he advanced through direct enemy fire to destroy the entire machinegun emplacement. His cool courage and expert fire in this action permitted the remainder of the platoon to gain its objective without further casualties. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN H. SAMER, 42011574, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on an enemy position, the advance of a platoon of Company * *, 358th Infantry, was impeded by enemy machinegun fire. Private First Class Samer, voluntarily and at risk of his life, advanced with three companions through intense enemy fire towards the machinegun emplacement. Despite wounds received he continued the advance and destroyed the enemy gun with hand grenades. Immediately following the explosion, he charged and killed the remaining enemy with a bayonet. Private First Class Samer's courageous action enabled the platoon to press the attack and capture the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

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III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

PHILLIP G. DODDS, 37493839, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During an attack, the machine gun ammunition supply of elements of Company **, 358th Infantry, became critically depleted, and the route to the ammunition dump was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. Private First Class Dodds, Machinegunner, fully cognizant of the danger involved, voluntarily advanced over the hazardous route, and despite continued enemy shelling, returned with urgently-needed ammunition. His courageous action was a material factor in the successful accomplishment of the battalion's mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Washington. ✓

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

ALBERT W. BLACKFORD, 01284997, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. During an attack on the Fort, elements of Company **, 358th Infantry, became pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. First Lieutenant Blackford, Platoon Leader, without regard for his personal safety, led two platoons in an attack on the enemy position, which killed 40 enemy and ultimately resulted in overcoming all enemy resistance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas. ○

7 WINDROW G. PAYNE, 0328665, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse-Ham, France. During the attack on the town, First Lieutenant Payne, Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon Leader, led his platoon through enemy artillery and machine gun fire to capture 30 enemy troops. Despite the continuous enemy artillery fire, he then established and maintained a road block which materially aided the battalion in the accomplishment of its mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas. ○

RUSSELL G. SHORTRIDGE, 0520265, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. While First Lieutenant Shortridge was directing mortar fire in support of an attack by Company **, 358th Infantry, he was severely wounded. Despite his painful wounds, he remained in the position and continued to direct accurate mortar fire. He then received first aid and the following morning directed such effective fire that the infantry was able to capture the objective and several hundred prisoners. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota. ○

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PERCY A. ARNOLD, 32942493, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Metzervisse, France. During an engagement with the enemy, three enemy armed with bazookas, rocket shells, hand grenades, rifles and machine pistols, attempted to infiltrate the platoon's position under cover of darkness. Technical Sergeant Arnold, displaying alertness and courage, succeeded in capturing the patrol alone, armed only with a pistol. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

PAUL J. DAVIS, 35129834, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Elzange, France. During the attack on the town, when the platoon leader of the Machine Gun Section was mortally wounded, Technical Sergeant Davis, Platoon Sergeant, assumed command. Without regard for his personal safety and while subjected to heavy enemy fire, he rallied the section, organized it into an efficient fighting force and rendered excellent support fire which destroyed the enemy position and enabled the battalion to take its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

ALVIN F. FOERSTER, 38125292, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Elzange, France. During the attack on the town, when the platoon leader of the Machine Gun section was mortally wounded, Staff Sergeant Foerster, Squad Leader, assumed command. Without regard for his personal safety and while subjected to heavy enemy fire, he rallied the section, organized it into an efficient fighting force and rendered excellent support fire which destroyed the enemy position and enabled the battalion to take its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

SIDNEY L. JACKSON, 36162929, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 and 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. When his newly-established Observation Post was hit by direct fire from two enemy anti-tank guns, Staff Sergeant Jackson, Squad Leader, immediately set up a new post and, despite enemy artillery and small arms fire, directed mortar fire upon the anti-tank guns until they were destroyed. Without regard for his personal safety, he remained at his position to direct the generation of smoke which concealed the Battalion's subsequent advance to its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

CLARENCE O. WYLIE, 34386828, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. When enemy artillery fire inflicted casualties on his mortar section, Staff Sergeant Wylie, Section Leader, continued to direct accurate fire upon the enemy, administered first aid to the wounded and evacuated them to an aid station. Without regard for his personal safety and despite enemy artillery and small arms fire, he transported casualties from the aid station across the swollen Moselle River in boats, bringing urgently-needed supplies on his return trips across the river. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

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GUS HAMPL, 37156279, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. During the development of a bridgehead on the Moselle River, Sergeant Hampl, Ammunition and Pioneer Squad Leader, crossed the river with assault troops and helped to establish an aid station on the east bank. Realizing that the supply dump was under direct enemy fire, he immediately organized his squad and hand-carried supplies, making 7 trips to an inland point under intense enemy fire. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

WILLIAM A. ROCK, 20110114, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. During the development of a bridgehead on the Moselle River, Sergeant Rock, Squad Leader, crossed the river with assault troops and helped to establish an aid station on the east bank. Realizing that the supply dump was under direct enemy fire, he immediately organized his squad and hand-carried supplies, making 7 trips to an inland point under intense enemy fire. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

RICHARD S. BARTON, 35055574, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on the town, a small group of men, including four wounded, was isolated from the company by an attacking enemy force of 30 troops. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Barton, Platoon Runner, and a companion, repulsed the enemy attack, secured their position and evacuated the wounded men to a place of safety. Private First Class Barton's heroic achievement aided materially in the success of the Company's mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

JOHN BILINSKI, 36889989, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During an attack, the machine gun ammunition supply of elements of Company * *, 358th Infantry, became critically depleted, and the route to the ammunition dump was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. Private First Class Bilinski, Ammunition Carrier, fully cognizant of the danger involved, voluntarily advanced over the hazardous route and despite continued enemy shelling, returned with urgently-needed ammunition. His courageous action was a material factor in the successful accomplishment of the battalion's mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

CHARLES J. DeBERARD, JR., 36785381, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Dillingen, Germany. When the immediate installation of a communication wire between the Battalion and Regimental Headquarters became imperative, Private First Class DeBeard, Acting Lineman, aided by companions and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to incessant enemy fire as he rowed a boat to the far side of the Saar River and successfully established the critically-needed communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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CHARLES T. FALCONER, 37128685, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Dillingen, Germany. When the immediate installation of a communication wire between the Battalion and Regimental Headquarters became imperative, Private First Class Falconer, Ammunition Bearer, aided by companions and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to incessant enemy fire as he rowed a boat to the far side of the Saar River and successfully established the critically-needed communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota. ✓

CLAUDE N. HEMMEN, 37118660, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Dillingen, Germany. When the immediate installation of a communication wire between the Battalion and Regimental Headquarters became imperative, Private First Class Hemmen, Driver, aided by companions and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to incessant enemy fire as he rowed a boat to the far side of the Saar River and successfully established the critically-needed communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota. ✓

GEORGE R. HUNTER SR., 33703977, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Dillingen, Germany. When the immediate installation of a communication wire between the Battalion and Regimental Headquarters became imperative, Private First Class Hunter, Wireman, aided by companions and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to incessant enemy fire as he rowed a boat to the far side of the Saar River and successfully established the critically-needed communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania. ✓

JAMES D. PATTERSON, 36875625, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Dillingen, Germany. When the immediate installation of a communication wire between the Battalion and Regimental Headquarters became imperative, Private First Class Patterson, Driver, aided by companions and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to incessant enemy fire as he rowed a boat to the far side of the Saar River and successfully established the critically-needed communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan. ✓

LEON A. SZMIDT, 32778717, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 25 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberleuken, Germany. During the battle in the town, Private First Class Szmidt, Automatic Rifleman, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire, rendered accurate supporting rifle fire to elements of his platoon advancing upon a building. Though wounded in three places by an enemy shell burst, he continued his harassing fire upon the enemy until his platoon reached its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey. ✓

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HARVEY W. McLAREN, 36840259, Private, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Dillingen, Germany. When the immediate installation of a communication wire between the Battalion and Regimental Headquarters became imperative, Private McLaren, Lineman, aided by companions and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to incessant enemy fire as he rowed a boat to the far side of the Saar River and successfully established the critically-needed communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

* FRANCIS J. GOSSELLIN, 37169646, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 6 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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I—AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR—. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ LOUIS V. BRANDANI, 33792867, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. Following a heavy enemy artillery concentration, enemy tanks and infantry attacked the position of Company **, 359th Infantry. Private First Class Brandani, bazooka man, with a companion advanced forward 100 yards under heavy enemy fire to engage two enemy tanks. While engaged in this brave attempt, he was mortally wounded. By his courageous self-sacrifice, the attention of the enemy tanks was diverted, which materially aided the company in making a flanking movement. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ HENRY J. LABRANCHE, 38501196, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. When heavy enemy tank fire impeded the advance of a Platoon, Private First Class LaBranche, Ammunition Bearer, and a companion formed a bazooka team and advanced under intense enemy fire to engage two enemy tanks. Although he was killed in this action, Private First Class LaBranche's fire diverted the attention of the enemy tanks until his company had accomplished a successful flanking movement. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ JOHN M. DONNELLY, 36781138, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an attack on the town, the advance of the lead platoon of Company **, 359th Infantry, was impeded by intense enemy artillery and tank fire. Private Donnelly, bazooka man, organized a bazooka team with a companion and advanced to within a few yards of the enemy and commenced to fire on the enemy tanks. Though Private Donnelly was wounded fatally during this action, the respite he gave the platoon by halting the tanks enabled them to repulse the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

HUGH McCLUNG, JR., 0512 28, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 July 1944 in the vicinity of Pretot, France. While leading his platoon in an attack on the town, Second Lieutenant McClung, Platoon Leader, was wounded in the shoulder by enemy rifle fire. Despite the severity of his wound, he continued to lead the platoon until weakness, by loss of blood, forced his evacuation. Second Lieutenant McClung's courageous action and exemplary leadership was an inspiration to all who witnessed them. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

EDWARD W. SEXTON, 20512487, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During the action in the town, forward bazooka teams ran out of ammunition while engaging enemy tanks advancing as the spearhead of an enemy counter-attack. First Sergeant Sexton, voluntarily and at risk of his life, carried the urgently-needed ammunition 100 yards through intense enemy artillery, tank and small arms fire to the forward positions, enabling the bazooka teams to halt the enemy tanks and repulse the counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

ERNEST J. WACHTLER, 37189118, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an attack on the town, the commanding and executive officers of Company * *, 359th Infantry, became casualties. Technical Sergeant Wachtler, Platoon Sergeant, assumed command of the company. At risk of his life, he moved back and forth along the firing line and encouraged the men to hold their ground against a numerically superior enemy. Though wounded in this operation, Technical Sergeant Wachtler continued to display such courageous and aggressive leadership that the enemy counterattack was ultimately disorganized. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

LLOYD E. ARTHUR, 35792831, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. While on a reconnaissance, Staff Sergeant Arthur, Rifleman, and a companion, were fired upon by two enemy machine gunners. They returned the fire, killing both of the enemy. Observing 70 enemy troops 100 yards to the front, Staff Sergeant Arthur, with the assistance of his companion, opened fire upon the enemy to kill seven, wound several others and repulse the remainder. Returning to his company with information concerning the reconnaissance, he remained with them and helped repulse two later enemy counterattacks. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

ABRAHAM A. HOAGLAND, 39904921, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. While on a reconnaissance, Staff Sergeant Hoagland, Rifleman, and a companion, were fired upon by two enemy machine

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gunners. They returned the fire, killing both of the enemy. Observing 70 enemy troops 100 yards to the front, Staff Sergeant Hoagland, with the assistance of his companion, opened fire upon the enemy to kill seven, wound several others and repulse the remainder. Returning to his company with information concerning the reconnaissance; he remained with them and helped repulse two later enemy counter-attacks. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

FRANCIS R. PRICE, 32268624, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 27 - 30 September 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When an infantry platoon was temporarily separated from its company by a numerically-superior enemy force and the platoon leader mortally wounded, Staff Sergeant Price assumed command. He organized the platoon and established defensive positions. Though forced to remain hidden during the day because of enemy observation, Staff Sergeant Price, voluntarily and at risk of his life, personally made patrols under cover of darkness. On the second night, after contacting the company, he led the platoon safely through the enemy lines and rejoined the unit. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

ALVIN R. JOHNSON, 37256005, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an attack on the town, the advance of the Lead Platoon of Company **, 359th Infantry, was impeded by intense enemy artillery and tank fire. Technician Fifth Grade Johnson, Messenger, voluntarily organized a bazooka team with a companion and, at risk of his life, advanced to within a few yards of the enemy and fired on the enemy tanks. When his companion was wounded fatally, Technician Fifth Grade Johnson continued to fire alone until all ammunition was expended. By his courageous act, he halted the tanks and enabled infantry to repulse the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

JOHN J. COOPER, 39029853, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. Following a heavy enemy artillery concentration, enemy tanks and infantry attacked the position of Company **, 359th Infantry. Private First Class Cooper, Bazooka Gunner, with a companion, advanced 100 yards under heavy enemy fire to engage two enemy tanks. While engaged in this brave attempt he was wounded. By his courageous action and devotion to duty, the attention of the enemy was diverted which materially aided the Company in making a flanking movement. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

PAUL L. ERVIN, 37179247, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. When heavy enemy tank fire impeded the advance of a platoon, Private First Class Ervin, Rifleman, and a companion formed a bazooka team and advanced under intense enemy fire to engage two enemy tanks. When fire from the tanks destroyed the bazooka, Private First Class Ervin obtained another bazooka and returned to his position where he fired upon the tanks until he was wounded. His heroic achievement diverted the attention of the enemy tanks until his company had accomplished a successful flanking movement, and was in accordance with high military

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tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

NOEL F. WEST, 37138966, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During the battle in the town, Private First Class West, Messenger, assisted his Company Commander in leading the troops in an attack and with a bazooka killed two enemy. When his Company Commander became a casualty, Private First Class West, at risk of his life, voluntarily advanced through an area which was subjected to intense artillery fire and apprised the executive officer of the situation. The courageous action displayed by Private First Class West was a material factor in successfully repelling an enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

III--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

CHARLES A. SCHROEDER, 01307313, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Retelle, France. Three men of Company * *, 359th Infantry, became casualties and were lying in an area subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire emanating from a pillbox. First Lieutenant Schroeder, Executive Officer, without regard for his personal safety, crawled 50 yards to the wounded men and, with assistance, evacuated them to a place of safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

HUGH McCLUNG JR., 0512728, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Sierck, France. When Second Lieutenant McClung, Platoon Leader, led a platoon of Company * * in an assault on an enemy-held hill overlooking the town, intense enemy artillery fire was encountered. He rallied and encouraged individual aggressiveness in the men. His courageous leadership so inspired them that they advanced under heavy enemy shellfire, captured their objective and repulsed subsequent enemy counterattacks. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

JOHN W. CURTIS, 34174135, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When the advance of Company * *, 359th Infantry was impeded by a line of enemy pillboxes, Sergeant Curtis, Squad Leader, observed occupants of two enemy pillboxes moving surreptitiously away from their positions. Sergeant Curtis and two companions attacked these pillboxes and forced the rest of the enemy to flee. With reinforcements, he prevented the enemy from regaining their positions, which enabled the company to proceed to its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

LEUIS N. PUNTO, 33790292, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Kerling, France on 14 November 1944. During the attack by * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, a soldier was seriously wounded. Private First Class

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Pinto, with the aid of companions, organized a team of litter bearers, and despite severe enemy fire, the team advanced to the casualty, administered first aid and successfully evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

IV--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ LESTER M. KOCH, 37155417, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. On 27 September 1944, Staff Sergeant Koch distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Platoon guide. During an attack, he so inspired his platoon with his courageous and aggressive leadership that it aided materially in the success of the company's mission. Staff Sergeant Koch was killed in a later action. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ JAMES B. SADLER, 33434933, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, was subjected to an enemy counterattack, Private First Class Sadler, Machine Gunner, remained in a gun position, though subjected to intense enemy fire, and wrought great destruction on the enemy with accurate machine gun fire. Though Private First Class Sadler was wounded fatally during this action, the respite he gave the riflemen enabled them to organize and repel the enemy attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ SALVATORE S. TERRIBLE, 32918823, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 October 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. During an attack on the town, Private First Class Terrible, Rifleman, accompanied by another soldier, advanced to within range of an enemy held building and, by throwing white phosphorous grenades, destroyed an enemy observation post and ammunition dump located inside. Though he was later mortally wounded, his courageous action was inspirational to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

V--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to (Now Missing in Action):

✓ EUGENE A. RIGGS, 35732407, Private, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 11 November 1944. During the attack on the town, Private Riggs, Company Aid Man, treated and evacuated casualties while subjected to intense enemy small arms fire. On one occasion he rendered medical aid to a wounded man despite continued direct fire from an enemy machine gun. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

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VI--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ VERNON W. CROSS, 01295837, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During an attack on the town, the advance of Company **, 359th Infantry, was temporarily impeded by intense enemy small arms fire. First Lieutenant Cross, Platoon Leader, in order to direct fire from his platoon, moved alone to an exposed position and, without regard for his personal safety, began firing his rifle upon the enemy. His courageous action enabled the platoon to safely circle the enemy and continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

✓ FRANK C. SCANLON, 01324740, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 4 July 1944 in the vicinity of LeFry, France. When Company **, 359th Infantry, attacked enemy dug-in positions near the town, First Lieutenant Scanlon, Platoon Leader, led the assault while subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Though wounded in this action, he continued to encourage individual aggressiveness in the men. His courageous leadership inspired the men to further the attack and capture the battalion's objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ CHARLES A. SCHROEDER, 01307313, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. After trying all means of fire to neutralize a heavily fortified enemy position which blocked a vital supply route, First Lieutenant Schroeder, Executive Officer, with an interpreter, worked to within speaking distance of the enemy position and persuaded the enemy to surrender. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

GROVER G. SMITH, 01325529, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 9 - 13 November 1944. During the crossing of the swollen Moselle River, First Lieutenant Smith, Executive Officer, despite incessant enemy shelling and without regard for his personal safety, reconnoitered routes for vehicular traffic. He worked day and night with little rest, supervising and directing the flow of ammunition and supplies across the river to the front line troops. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the bridge-head operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

✓ JOHN R. STUDNESS, 01318103, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 - 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Northern, France. When leading elements of Company **, 359th Infantry ambushed an enemy convoy, First Lieutenant Studness, Forward Artillery Observer, traversed areas subjected to intense enemy fire, and, by accurate registration of artillery, wrought great destruction on enemy equipment and personnel. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

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HUGH McCLUNG, JR., 0512728, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France on 15 October 1944. When it became necessary to destroy an enemy observation post located in a barn, Second Lieutenant McClung organized and successfully led a patrol to a position from which white phosphorus grenades could be thrown, set the barn afire, capturing 4 enemy and destroying a previously undiscovered enemy ammunition dump. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

JOHN C. BERRY, 37107644, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack to retake the town, Technical Sergeant Berry, Mortar Platoon Sergeant, without regard for personal safety, rallied the section, reorganized his men into rifle squads and placed them in strategic positions. His courageous leadership, despite enemy fire, aided materially in repelling the enemy counterattack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

BEN R. BUCKLEY, 37155815, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When 100 enemy infantrymen counterattacked the flank which his platoon was defending, Technical Sergeant Buckley, Platoon Sergeant, despite intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, deployed his Platoon so expertly and effectively that the numerically superior enemy was forced to make a hasty and disorganized retreat. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

STANLEY E. DICKSON, 37108084, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, the enemy was attempting to encircle a platoon of Company **, 359th Infantry. Technical Sergeant Dickson, Platoon Sergeant, without regard for his personal safety, advanced with another man to an exposed flank and, despite intense enemy machine gun fire, registered such accurate fire upon the enemy that one enemy was killed, several were wounded and the remainder were forced into a disorganized withdrawal. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

LOUIS W. STENGEL, 37169612, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When 100 enemy infantrymen launched a counterattack against Company **, 359th Infantry, Technical Sergeant Stengel, Platoon Sergeant, was in command of a heavy machine gun section. He rallied and encouraged individual aggressiveness among the men and organized them into an efficient fighting unit. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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✓ WILLIAM E. STIELER, 36109777, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 9 - 12 December 1944. During the crossing of the Saar River, Technical Sergeant Stieler, Platoon Sergeant, directed a carrying party which transported supplies and ammunition 2000 yards through water and mud. Despite the constant enemy artillery and small arms fire, Technical Sergeant Stieler remained at his post for four consecutive nights until a serious wound forced his evacuation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

✓ JOHN J. CSEKOVSKY, 31039280, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Landres, France. While making preparations for an advance into the town, Staff Sergeant Csekovsky's anti-tank gun squad was surprised by three enemy tanks and four enemy half-track vehicles approaching and firing upon them. Without regard for his personal safety, he quickly organized the squad and directed their fire so effectively that one enemy tank and all four of the half-track vehicles were disabled and the enemy attack repulsed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ IRVIN A. HAVERLAND, 37138656, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Landres, France. While an anti-tank squad was moving its weapons to a new position, they were subjected to an enemy armored attack. Immediately, Staff Sergeant Haverland ordered the gun into action. Then, from a position exposed to direct enemy fire, he estimated and called registration of fire to the gun crew, which knocked out one enemy tank and four armored half-track vehicles. This action deterred the enemy from further attempts to harass the column. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ ROY L. HUMPHREY, 39286613, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 19 November 1944. During the attack on the town, the supplies of the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, became critically depleted. Staff Sergeant Humphrey, Squad Leader, voluntarily made three trips with a companion, carrying food, water and ammunition over a route which was subjected to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. While on the final mission, he evacuated three casualties from a dangerously exposed area to a place of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

✓ JACK R. KREIL, 37172222, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 19 November 1944. During the attack on the town, the supplies of the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, became critically depleted. Staff Sergeant Kreil, Squad Leader, voluntarily made three trips with a companion, carrying food, water and ammunition over a route which was subjected to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. While on the final mission, he evacuated three casualties from a dangerously exposed area to a place of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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SAMUEL C. MAPLES, 37491723, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Maples, Squad Leader, suffered a leg wound. Aware of the importance of the attack to the establishment of the Moselle River bridgehead, Staff Sergeant Maples refused to be evacuated and continued to lead his squad against the enemy. When wounded a second time, he remained at his post until his platoon leader ordered his evacuation. Staff Sergeant Maples' heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

WILLARD H. MUSSMAN, 37155187, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, the enemy was attempting to encircle a platoon of Company **, 359th Infantry. Staff Sergeant Mussman, Squad Leader, without regard for his personal safety, advanced with another man to an exposed flank and, despite intense enemy machine gun fire, registered such accurate fire upon the enemy that one enemy was killed, several were wounded and the remainder were forced into disorganized withdrawal. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

LAURENCE G. STATE, 37118925, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Landres, France. While an anti-tank squad was moving its weapons to a new position, they were subjected to an enemy armored attack. Immediately, Staff Sergeant State ordered the gun into action. Then, from a position exposed to direct enemy fire, he estimated and called registration of fire to the gun crew, which knocked out one enemy tank and four armored half-track vehicles. This action deterred the enemy from further attempts to harass the column. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

ELZY F. MOSS, 35258395, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When an enemy platoon threatened the flank of Company **, 359th Infantry, Sergeant Moss, Squad Leader, carried a machine gun and ammunition to an exposed position and opened fire upon the enemy. Despite intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire, the enemy attack was repulsed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

HARRY C. WALTON, 33529010, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. When a machine gun section was dispersed by heavy fire from an enemy strongpoint, Sergeant Walton, Squad Leader, immediately organized the men under cover of darkness, and, by accurate direction of fire, enabled riflemen to encircle and capture the enemy position. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

LESLIE A. PARKER, 36811680, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When a fierce enemy counterattack had penetrated the flank of Company **, 359th Infantry to within 20 feet of a position occupied by Sergeant Parker and two companions, they stubbornly held this position.

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Firing automatic rifles point blank into the ranks of the enemy, they broke up the counterattack and forced the enemy to retreat in a disorderly manner. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

EDWARD D. ABDELLA, 20110169, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Kerling, France on 14 November 1944. During the attack by the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, a soldier was seriously wounded. Technician Fourth Grade Abdella, with the aid of companions, organized a team of litter bearers, and despite severe enemy fire, the team advanced to the casualty, administered first aid and successfully evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

ROY A. ASHER, 37138506, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Landres, France. While preparing for a new advance, the anti-tank gun squad of which Corporal Asher, First Gunner, was a member, was surprised by three enemy tanks and four enemy half-track vehicles approaching and firing upon them. Corporal Asher immediately manned his gun and by his accurate fire aided in disabling one of the tanks, all four of the half-track vehicles and repulsing the enemy advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

LEANDRO J. BACA, 38103924, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Landres, France. While preparing for a new advance, the anti-tank gun squad of which Corporal Baca, First Gunner, was a member, was surprised by three enemy tanks and four enemy half-track vehicles approaching and firing upon them. Corporal Baca immediately manned his gun and by his accurate fire, aided in disabling one of the tanks, all four of the half-track vehicles and repulsing the enemy advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

ERNEST D. LIDTKE, 37189085, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Landres, France. While preparing for a new advance, the anti-tank gun squad of which Corporal Lidtke, First Gunner, was a member, was surprised by three enemy tanks and four enemy half-track vehicles approaching and firing upon them. Corporal Lidtke immediately manned his gun and by his accurate fire, aided in disabling one of the tanks, all four of the half-track vehicles and repulsing the enemy advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

DANIEL DENNEHY, 37072606, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Kerling, France on 14 November 1944. During the attack by the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, a soldier was seriously wounded. Technician Fifth Grade Dennehy, with the aid of companions, organized a team of litter bearers, and despite severe enemy fire, the team advanced to the casualty, administered first aid and successfully evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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FRANK J. O'CONNOR, 31025296, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Kerling, France on 14 November 1944. During the attack by the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, a soldier was seriously wounded. Technician Fifth Grade O'Connor, with the aid of companions, organized a team of litter bearers, and despite severe enemy fire, the team advanced to the casualty, administered first aid and successfully evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

SAMUEL P. CONTE, 36831480, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry. For heroic achievement on 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of LeBourg St. Leonard, France. When the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, was counterattacked by a numerically superior enemy, Private First Class Conte, Messenger, advanced alone to the position of a reserve company 300 yards distant. Though wounded, he guided the company back to the battalion in time to repulse the enemy counterattack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

CLAUDE A. DURRETT, 38518621, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 4 July 1944 in the vicinity of Foret de Mont Castre, France. During an attack by Company * *, 359th Infantry, a soldier was seriously wounded. Private First Class Durrett, Aid Man, without regard for his personal safety, advanced in the face of heavy enemy small arms and machine gun fire to administer first aid to the wounded man and to other casualties in the area. Although wounded, he remained with the casualties for 10 hours until they could be evacuated. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

AIDMAN JASINSKI, 35296004, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When a fierce enemy counterattack had penetrated the flank of Company * *, 359th Infantry, to within 20 feet of a position occupied by Private First Class Jasinski, and two companions, they stubbornly held this position. Firing automatic rifles point blank into the ranks of the enemy, they broke up the counterattack and forced the enemy to retreat in a disorderly manner. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

STANLEY J. KOSINSKI, 32773125, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack, Private First Class Kosinski, without regard for his personal safety and despite heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, remained in his position and fired effectively upon the enemy until a serious wound forced his evacuation. His heroic achievement aided materially in the repulsion of the enemy and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

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BENOIT H. LaHAYE, 31440074, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the attack on the town, Private First Class LaHaye, Messenger, and a companion, remained with two wounded men for eight hours in a house subjected to heavy enemy fire. From this position, he relayed to Company * * 's command post accurate fire data which was used to direct effective fire upon the enemy. Later, under intense enemy shelling, Private First Class LaHaye, and his comrade carried the wounded men across an open field to the command post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

LaVERNE LOVELAND, 32909818, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the attack on the town, Private First Class Loveland, Messenger, and a companion, remained with two wounded men for eight hours in a house subjected to heavy enemy fire. From this position, he relayed to Company * * 's command post accurate fire data which was used to direct effective fire upon the enemy. Later, under intense enemy shelling, Private First Class Loveland and his comrade carried the wounded men across an open field to the command post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

CLYDE F. MALONEY, 35765075, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Kerling, France on 14 November 1944. During the attack by the * * Battalion, 359th Infantry, a soldier was seriously wounded. Private First Class Maloney, with the aid of companions, organized a team of litter bearers, and despite severe enemy fire, the team advanced to the casualty, administered first aid and successfully evacuated the wounded man to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

LOUIS N. PINTO, 33790292, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. When he learned that there were two casualties lying in an area subjected to intense enemy mortar and small arms fire, Private First Class Pinto, Aid Man, without regard for his personal safety, went to the aid of the casualties. Finding only one of the men alive, he administered first aid to the man and evacuated him. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

JACOB H. SMITH, 33610589, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Malling, France on 9 November 1944. When given a mission to render covering fire for men to occupy a fortified enemy position, Private First Class Smith, Rifleman, although wounded, remained in his position and delivered excellent support. Not until the objective was taken did he permit himself to be evacuated for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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HARVEY J. SOLEM, 37172678, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 9 November 1944. During an attack by Company * * of the 359th Infantry, Private First Class Solem, Rifleman, was isolated in a house with two wounded men. He went 200 yards through heavy enemy fire to obtain aid for the evacuation of the casualties. Although wounded, he pointed out the position from which the enemy fire was emanating, causing the position to be neutralized. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

ALBERT J. ZANCA, 32956231, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When a fierce enemy counterattack had penetrated the flank of Company * *, 359th Infantry, to within 20 feet of a position occupied by Private First Class Zanca and two companions, they stubbornly held this position. Firing automatic rifles point blank into the ranks of the enemy, they broke up the counter-attack and forced the enemy to retreat in a disorderly manner. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

JOHN D. DeVRIES, 37696580, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberesch, Germany. During an assault by a platoon of Company * * on an enemy machine gun outpost, Private DeVries, Rifleman, suffered a leg wound. Despite the painful and severe injury, he continued to act as a scout in the lead squad. His courage and determination so inspired the members of the platoon that they successfully engaged and defeated the enemy. Not until the enemy was repulsed did he consent to evacuation. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

DONALD W. McCONNELL, 37189070, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota. *

CHARLES H. MERCER, 35002120, Corporal, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio. *

ROBERT D. KEMP, 33394861, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania. *

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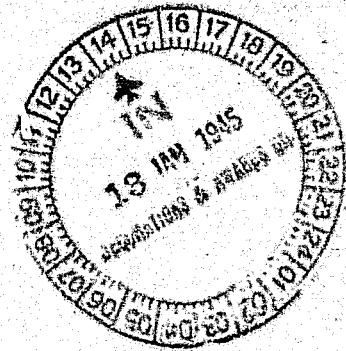
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

HUGH C. LAIRD, 33290436, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. During an intense barrage of enemy artillery in the vicinity of an M-16 half-track vehicle, manned by Private Laird and three companions, one man was killed and one was seriously wounded. Without regard for personal safety, Private Laird and a companion carried the wounded man through the continued barrage to a point of protection. Private Laird's heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

FRANK PEDRO, 38167412, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. During an intense barrage of enemy artillery in the vicinity of an M-16 half-track vehicle, manned by Private Pedro and three companions, one man was killed and one was seriously wounded. Without regard for personal safety, Private Pedro and a companion carried the wounded man through the continued barrage to a point of protection. Private Pedro's heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

HARRY R. HAMMOND, 01047999, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

PATRICK J. O'CONNOR, 01046218, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

ROBERT P. TURNER, 01045618, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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✓ GILBERT J. DEMONSABERT, JR., 38310333, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ LAWRENCE E. NELSON, 20753899, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ SIDNEY J. DICKINSON, 38258702, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ CLYDE J. HOLLINGSWORTH, 38268418, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ OLIVER H. PEDERSON, 20753972, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

WILLIAM H. STACK, 37545778, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ ELI M. SMITH, 33417021, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

HARRY E. FRASHER, JR., 38268590, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 15 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

MARION F. FOULK, 37491764, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the attack on an enemy fort, Corporal Foulk, Unit Foreman, was attached to Company ** of the ** th Infantry as demolition man. When his first satchel charge only partially destroyed a steel entrance to the fort, he advanced through intense enemy machine gun fire to place and detonate a second charge which completely destroyed the entrance, silenced the enemy fire and inflicted several casualties upon the defending enemy. As the infantry entered the strongpoint, Corporal Foulk climbed to the roof and dropped a charge down the ventilator, killing or wounding many of the enemy and forcing the 30 remaining troops to surrender. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

JOSEPH E. WILLIAMS, 37491590, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. While advancing toward an objective, the squad of which Sergeant Williams was a member was caught by cross-fire from enemy machine guns, which killed the squad leader. Sergeant Williams immediately assumed command and reorganized the casualty-depleted squad. At risk of his life, he expertly directed his men in a gradual infiltration through the constant enemy fire and reached the objective without further casualties. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

CURTIS W. YOST, 37153665, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 and 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the attack on an enemy fort, Corporal Yost, Unit Foreman, commanded a demolition squad with the mission of placing explosive charges on the approaches to the fort. At risk of his life, he placed approximately 30 charges and subjected himself to constant enemy fire while directing the movements of his squad. With the aid of those charges, the infantry gained access to the strongpoint. Corporal Yost immediately entered the fortifica-

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tion and placed 20 additional charges at the steel entrances to interior compartments. As a result of Corporal Yost's selfless disregard for safety and expert performance, the infantry was able to take the entire fort with a minimum of casualties. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

WILLBORN M. HOWINGTON, 38099881, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 and 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the attack on Fort Koenigsmacker, Private First Class Howington was attached to two rifle companies as a demolition expert. While working with one company, Private First Class Howington, at risk of his life, advanced through intense enemy small arms fire without friendly support fire, placed demolition charges against an entrance to the fort, ignited them and forced the enemy to withdraw. The next day, while working with another company, he advanced in the face of enemy machine gun fire and again, with demolition charges, blasted an entrance to the strongpoint. With accurate rifle fire, he pinned down enemy troops within and allowed friendly infantrymen to gain an entrance. Private First Class Howington's gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

III--AWARD OF SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star and Oak-Leaf Cluster previously awarded, a second Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to: (2nd)

JOSEPH C. JUSKO, 32934034, Private, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisso, France. When he observed two wounded men lying in a heavily mined area, Private Jusko, with two companions, went to the aid of the casualties. Although seriously wounded by an enemy mine, he succeeded in transporting the two casualties to a place of safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

ARTHUR P. ONANIAN, 31081178, Private, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisso, France. When he observed two wounded men lying in a heavily mined area, Private Onanian, with two companions, went to the aid of the casualties. Although seriously wounded by an enemy mine, he succeeded in transporting the two casualties to a place of safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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HAROLD J. S2, CHAIR, 025369, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 15 June to 4 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

JAMES L. GIFFORD, O1018910, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 27 - 30 October 1944 First Lieutenant Gifford distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Platoon Leader, he made repeated trips for four days over areas subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire and supplied the tank platoon under his command. Prior to the attack on the town, when he was severely burned by a near burst of an enemy white phosphorus shell, he refused evacuation and the following day led his tanks to previously reconnoitered positions. Then, by accurate direction of support fire, the infantry was able to capture the objective without delay. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

BYRL E. RIDD, 38063874, Staff Sergeant, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy near Meizieres les Metz, France. During the period 27 - 30 October 1944, Staff Sergeant Ridd distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. During the battle for the town, Staff Sergeant Ridd for four days made personal reconnaissance of areas subjected to intense enemy artillery fire and directed tank fire in support of the infantry's advance. His courageous action materially aided the success of the mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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~~I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--~~. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

~~JOSEPH S. LALISH, 33038326, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack, Sergeant Lalish, Tank Destroyer Commander, rallied and deployed his crew while he, at risk of his life, mounted the turret of his Tank Destroyer and fired a machine gun with devastating effect upon the enemy until the gun was disabled. Though wounded, he refused medical aid and continued to direct accurate fire upon the enemy force. When the ammunition supply was exhausted, he led his crew to the infantry lines and with small arms, resumed the fight. His courageous and aggressive action aided the Battalion materially in the accomplishment of its mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.~~

~~GEORGE REED, 35135432, Corporal, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a fierce enemy counterattack, Corporal Reed, Gunner, began firing at the numerically superior enemy force from his M-10 Tank Destroyer. Though continuously subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Corporal Reed, though wounded, refused medical attention and remained to fire the tank destroyer's gun until all the ammunition was expended. When the tank destroyer was disabled by an intense concentration of enemy artillery, Corporal Reed made his way back to the infantry's position and fired his individual arm until the enemy attack was repulsed. Corporal Reed's gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.~~

~~TOMMIE F. LYNCH, 38019522, Technician Fifth Grade, 773d Tank Destroyer, Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. When the enemy launched a heavy counterattack against the Tank Destroyer's position, Technician Fifth Grade Lynch, Driver, volunteered to load an artillery piece. Though wounded and despite repeated enemy hits on the Tank Destroyer, at the risk of his life, he remained at his post until the last round of ammunition was expended. He then infiltrated to the infantry lines and resumed the fight. His courageous and aggressive action aided materially in repelling the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.~~

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ORITHON D. CLAYTON, 34255783, Private First Class, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. When the enemy launched a heavy counterattack against the Tank Destroyer's position, Private First Class Clayton, Cannoneer, protected a flank of the vehicle. By means of accurate carbine fire, he, at risk of his life, repulsed enemy infantry and bazooka gunners in their attempts to capture or disable the Tank Destroyer. Despite the intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire he remained at his post until the last round of ammunition was expended. He then infiltrated to the infantry lines and resumed the fight. His courageous and aggressive action aided materially in repelling the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

FRANK M. LAJEUNESSE, 37268838, Private First Class, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. When the enemy launched a heavy counterattack against the Tank Destroyer's position, Private First Class Lajeunesse, Cannoneer, protected a flank of the vehicle. By means of accurate carbine fire, he, at risk of his life, repulsed enemy infantry and bazooka gunners in their attempts to capture or disable the Tank Destroyer. Despite the intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire he remained at his post until the last round of ammunition was expended. He then infiltrated to the infantry lines and resumed the fight. His courageous and aggressive action aided materially in repelling the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section 1, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

JOHN T. NAPIER, 01030818, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hemmersdorf, Germany. During an attack on the town, Second Lieutenant Napier, Platoon Leader, while on a mine-sweeping mission with an enlisted man, preceded the advancing tanks and tank destroyers over a route known to be heavily mined. He cleared the road of mines for a distance of 2000 yards while subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. His courageous action enabled the armored vehicles to advance safely toward the objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

MARTIN A. HOLLINGSWORTH, 17057967, Private First Class, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hemmersdorf, Germany. During an attack on the town, Private First Class Hollingsworth, Demolition Specialist, while on a mine-sweeping mission with an officer, preceded the advancing tanks and tank destroyers over a route known to be heavily mined. He cleared the road of mines for a distance of 2000 yards while subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. His courageous action enabled the armored vehicles to advance safely toward the objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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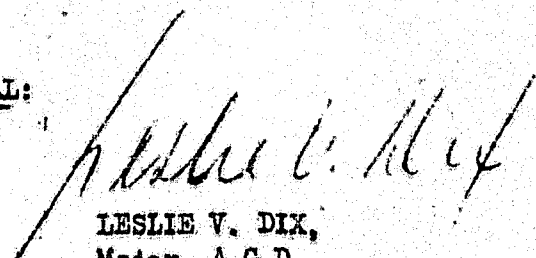
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JOHN D. SINGER, 0312126, Captain, Medical Corps, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 August to 10 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

AAROND E. AVANTES, 38230334, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 10 - 13 December 1944, Private First Class Avantes distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Radio Operator. During repeated enemy counterattacks, Private First Class Avantes maintained critically-needed communications between the infantry and artillery for close-in artillery support fire. When the enemy troops infiltrated within small arms range of the outpost, he bravely defended his position. Through Private First Class Avantes' courage in maintaining the observation post, excellent coordination was sustained in the successful repulsion of enemy attacks. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

TOBY N. DURAN, 17091231, Private First Class (Then Private) Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 10 - 13 December 1944, Private First Class Duran distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Radio Operator. During repeated enemy counterattacks, Private First Class Duran maintained critically-needed communications between the infantry and artillery for close-in artillery support fire. When the enemy troops infiltrated within small arms range of the outpost, he bravely defended his position. Through Private First Class Duran's courage in maintaining the observation post, excellent coordination was sustained in the successful repulsion of the enemy attacks. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ ARAM ZAZAIAN, 01174484, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion. For gallantry in action during the period 7 - 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillengen, Germany. During the attack on the town, First Lieutenant Zazaian, Artillery Forward Observer, advanced through intense enemy small arms fire to direct artillery fire that disrupted enemy tank formations and forced the enemy to withdraw. Later, during a strong enemy counterattack, he directed a speedy pinpoint concentration of artillery that completely disorganized the enemy infantry columns. Although he was killed in this action, First Lieutenant Zazaian's cool courage and expert direction of artillery fire enabled the infantry to successfully repulse the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 28 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ DAVE J. HUFFMAN, 7010040, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Budding, France. During an attack on the town, the batteries of an observer's radio were weakening rapidly from constant use, while directing artillery fire against strong enemy guns located in a nearby fort. Without regard for his personal safety, Sergeant Huffman, Reconnaissance Sergeant, and a companion, advanced 2000 yards through constant enemy fire and obtained fresh batteries, which permitted a continuous adjustment of artillery fire until the enemy guns were silenced. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ CECIL L. PARKER, 6296263, Corporal (Then Private), Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion. For heroic achievement on 3 and 4 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières les Metz, France. During the attack on the town, Corporal Parker, Driver, remained at an observation post, and without regard for his personal safety while subjected to intense enemy artillery fire, laid and repaired wire. By his prolonged display of courage and complete devotion to duty in maintaining constant communication, the forward observer was able to adjust accurate fire on the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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RUSSELL E. P. SALOMO, 37625339, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 3 and 4 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During the attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Salomo, Radio Operator, remained at an observation post and, without regard for his personal safety while subjected to intense enemy artillery fire, laid and repaired wire. By his prolonged display of courage and complete devotion to duty in maintaining constant communication, the forward observer was able to adjust accurate fire on the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

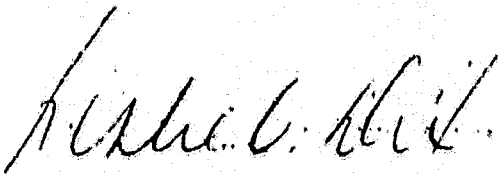
ALBERT G. SMITH, 39085592, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private), Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 7 - 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Smith, Radio Operator with a forward observation party, remained at the observation post, despite continuous enemy shelling, and assisted in the transmission of fire data to the supporting artillery. His heroic achievement was an important factor in disorganizing the enemy assault forces and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

ALYN E. WITTE, 37626117, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Biding, France. During an attack on the town, the batteries of an observer's radio were weakening rapidly from constant use, while directing artillery fire against strong enemy guns located in a nearby fort. Without regard for his personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Witte, Radio Operator, and a companion, advanced 2000 yards through constant enemy fire and obtained fresh batteries, which permitted a continuous adjustment of artillery fire until the enemy guns were silenced. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

LEANDRO LARA, JR., 37703618, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 July 1944 in the vicinity of La Butte, France. Prior to the attack on the town, Private First Class Lara, Scout, was instructed to lay a vital wire line between an observation post and the 344th Field Artillery Battalion. Despite intense enemy observed artillery and mortar fire, he left his place of cover to begin work at once, believing the barrage to be the forerunner of an enemy counterattack. At risk of his life, he successfully laid two lines which provided the necessary communications in the establishment of defensive artillery fire for use against the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ARNOLD H. STANDEFORD, 38147019, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Moselle River, Corporal Standeford, Wireman, with two companions, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-needed communication lines between the artillery observation post and the fire direction center. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

WILLIAM H. THORNLEY, JR., 33691023, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 25 October 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When the infantry was subjected to an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage, heavy casualties were inflicted. Private First Class Thornley, member of a forward observer's team,

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and a companion, voluntarily traversed the road leading to the casualties in the only available vehicle while subjected to continuous heavy enemy-observed fire. He, with the aid of his companion, promptly evacuated the two most seriously wounded men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

LEO F. BULLER, 37154940, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the attack on the town by the Infantry, heavy enemy artillery temporarily halted their advance. Staff Sergeant Buller, Forward Observer, without regard for his personal safety, traversed the area under fire, located the enemy position and from an exposed site directed effective fire upon the enemy. As a result of his courageous action, the Infantry was able to resume its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

ROY L. SERATTE, 38146769, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the bridgehead operation of the flooded Moselle River, Staff Sergeant Seratte, Radio Repairman, with two companions, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-needed communication lines between the artillery observation post and the fire direction center. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the Infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

ROGER S. NYLUND, 37154860, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 June 1944 in the vicinity of Etainville, France. When an observation post was heavily shelled by enemy artillery and mortar fire, one of the members became stunned and began wandering in an exposed area. Technician Fourth Grade Nylund, Radio Operator, left his place of comparative safety, carried the dazed man to cover and immediately obtained medical aid. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

HERBERT C. HUTCHINS, 37155072, Corporal (Then Private First Class), Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 25 October 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When the Infantry was subjected to an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage, heavy casualties were inflicted. Corporal Hutchins, member of a forward observer's team, and a companion, voluntarily traversed the road leading to the casualties in the only available vehicle while subjected to continuous heavy enemy-observed fire. He, with the aid of his companion, promptly evacuated the two most seriously wounded men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

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GEORGE W. ANDERSON, 39918838, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack near the town, the observation post from which Technician Fifth Grade Anderson, Radio Operator, was operating, was subjected to constant enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Without regard for his personal safety, he remained at his post to enable continuous directions to be relayed to the artillery. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

JOHN L. WARNER, 33416704, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When establishing an observation post in an exposed site which was necessary to better fire on the enemy, Technician Fifth Grade Warner, Radio Operator, realizing that a part was urgently needed for the radio, then disabled by shell fragments, without regard for his personal safety returned under a heavy concentration of shell fire and obtained the part. As a result of his action, the forward observer was able to direct accurate fire upon the enemy which enabled the infantrymen to advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

DENNIS E. WININGER, 35706270, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse Ham, France. During the crossing of the Moselle River, Private First Class Wininger, Wireman, laid a communication line across the swollen river. Despite intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he continually repaired the frequent breaks in the line to maintain the vital communications. His heroic achievement materially aided the Infantry in taking its objective and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

GEORGE GREENE, 32769664, Private, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Moselle River, Private Greene, Wireman, with two companions, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-needed communication lines between the artillery observation post and the fire direction center. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the Infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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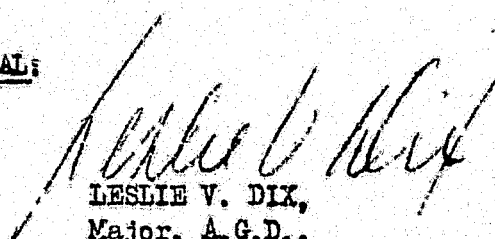
Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

POWELL F. RIVES, 0545693, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroism in the vicinity of Bousse, France on 19 November 1944. When a 1/4 ton vehicle struck a mine, the driver was seriously injured and rendered unconscious, and Second Lieutenant Rives, the other occupant, sustained a broken leg and severe lacerations. Disregarding his own painful injuries, Second Lieutenant Rives wrapped the soldier in blankets to keep him warm. He then crawled one mile to a nearby town to obtain aid for the stricken man and returned with medical aid men who treated the still unconscious driver. The cool and selfless action displayed by Second Lieutenant Rives saved the life of the injured soldier. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

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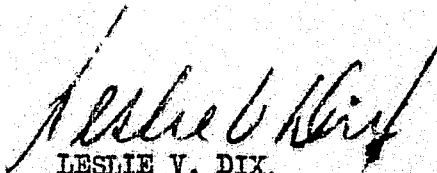
Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

SPENCER B. PARKER, 37155274, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 6 - 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. While leading a ration-carrying party in the town, Technician Fourth Grade Parker, First Cook, was attacked by an enemy patrol. Through his aggressive and expert leadership, the party was able to repel the enemy in the fire fight that ensued. Returning from his mission, Technician Fourth Grade Parker observed numerous casualties and, despite the intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, succeeded in evacuating them to a place of safety. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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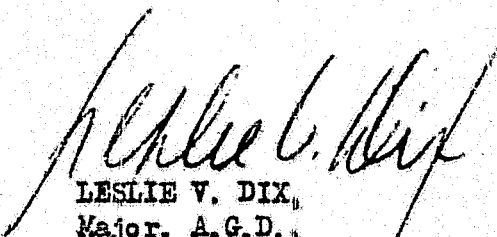
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DONALD H. PHILLIPS, O1167581, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 23 September to 8 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

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I--AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE-- Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, dated 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to:

Service Company, 357th Infantry, for superior performance of duty from 1 January to 31 May 1944. The Service Company, 357th Infantry, presents an outstanding record of performance during this period. The reequipping of the Regiment prior to entering the European Theater of Operations and later the drawing and assembling of regular and special equipment for use on the Continent was accomplished with precision and dispatch. Due to the untiring work of all personnel and the enthusiastic execution of all orders the Regiment was fully equipped and ready for "D" day. The Service Company achieved and maintained an exceedingly high standard of discipline as evidenced by superior military courtesy, excellent appearance of personnel and installations. The Company's meritorious service was in accordance with military tradition.

Service Company, 358th Infantry, for superior performance of duty in the presence of the enemy in France from 15 August to 15 December 1944. The Service Company, 358th Infantry, presents an outstanding record of performance during this period. Personnel of the unit accomplished all duties assigned them in a superior manner, exhibiting at all times the highest degree of military courtesy, efficiency, appearance and devotion to duty. During the rapid advance from Argentan to Thionville, France, the Service Company overcame the obstacles presented by long supply and transportation lines and materially aided in making this drive a success. Despite intense enemy artillery fire, the members of this organization worked night and day during the Moselle and Saar River operations to keep the front line troops adequately supplied with food and ammunition, and at times transported supplies by boat across the turbulent rivers and hand-carried them to the fighting forces. The Service Company, 358th Infantry, has an unmarred disciplinary record for the period, reflecting great credit upon the unit and the military service.

Service Company, 359th Infantry, for superior performance of duty in the presence of the enemy in France from 8 June to 6 December 1944. The Service Company presents an outstanding record of performance during this period. Personnel of the unit accomplished all duties assigned them in a superior manner, exhibiting at all times the highest degree of military courtesy, efficiency, appearance and devotion to duty. During the initial Normandy beachhead operations, Service Company began its spectacular and endless chain of outstanding services. Later, an efficient maintenance of vehicles and a constant flow of supplies facilitated the Regiment's rapid advance across France. On several occasions, members of this Company have assisted regular combat elements in operations against the enemy. The Service Company has an unmarred disciplinary record for the period, reflecting distinct

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credit upon the unit and the military service.

Service Battery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, for superior performance of duty in the presence of the enemy in France from 8 June to 8 August 1944. The Service Battery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, presents an outstanding record of performance during this period. Personnel of the unit accomplished all duties assigned them in a superior manner, exhibiting at all times the highest degree of military courtesy, efficiency, appearance and devotion to duty. Despite its proximity to the enemy and constant exposure to enemy artillery fire, this organization kept the entire Battalion supplied at all times with all classes of supplies and maintained continuous repair operations on all Battalion motor vehicles and tractors. During the rapid advance against the enemy across France, Service Battery overcame the problem of long lines of transportation and supply and continued to function 24 hours daily. The Service Battery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, has an unmarred disciplinary record for the period, reflecting distinct credit upon the unit and the military service.

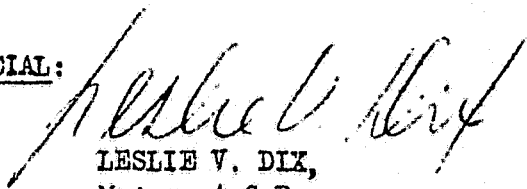
II. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT STAR. Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, dated 23 August 1944, in addition to the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque previously awarded, a Meritorious Service Unit Star is awarded to:

Service Company, 357th Infantry, for superior performance of duty from 1 June to 30 November 1944. During this period Service Company, despite extremely long and hazardous supply lines and the problems incident to supplying additional attached units, always kept the entire combat team adequately supplied and equipped during almost continuous combat. Personnel of the unit exhibited at all times the highest degree of military courtesy, efficiency, appearance and enthusiastic execution of orders. The Service Company's unmarred disciplinary record reflects distinct credit upon the unit and the military service.

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR ----- I
REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 233 ----- II

I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

CYRIL J. KELLY, 01180986, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 21st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, Second Lieutenant Kelly, Artillery Forward Observer, established an Observation Post in a dangerously exposed position. When the enemy launched a counterattack, the Observation Post was hit by direct enemy tank and small arms fire, making Second Lieutenant Kelly's position almost untenable. At risk of his life, he remained at his post and directed artillery fire so expertly that it disabled three enemy tanks, killed the tank crews and killed or wounded innumerable enemy infantry troops. The cool courage and remarkable ability shown by Second Lieutenant Kelly contributed immeasurably to the complete repulsion of the enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

II--REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 233--. So much of General Orders Number 233, this headquarters, 24 December 1944 as awards the Silver Star to CYRIL J. KELLY, 01180986, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished in Section I, of these General Orders.

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REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 49----- II

I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

DONALD J. HUCKABY, 0305726, Captain, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 - 9 August 1944, Captain Huckaby, a Battalion S-2, coordinated forward and air observation of supporting units. He consistently worked with forward elements, exposing himself under fire to obtain observation and the thorough and precise information he presented was of great assistance in completing the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

II--REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 49--. So much of Section III, General Orders Number 49, this headquarters, 30 August 1944, as awards the Bronze Star to DONALD J. HUCKABY, 0305726, Captain, Field Artillery, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished in Section I, of these General Orders.

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ARTHUR L. GERRARD, 01323421, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 6 and 7 December 1944. During the crossing of the swollen Saar River by the " " Battalion, 357th Infantry, First Lieutenant Gerrard, Battalion S-3, remained at the crossing site, despite intense enemy artillery fire, and directed the operation to completion. So skilful and cool was his supervision that the river movement was expeditiously executed with a minimum loss of equipment and personnel. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

JOHN W. ROBBINS, 34890435, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During the attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Robbins' platoon leader was wounded. Voluntarily and without regard for personal safety, he subjected himself to the heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire and, with the aid of a companion, carried the wounded platoon leader to safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

JOHN H. MASON, 0345436, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 9 November 1944. During the crossing of the swollen Moselle River by the " " Battalion, 357th Infantry, Lieutenant Colonel Mason, Battalion Commander, skilfully directed the crossing operation despite the obstacles presented by intense enemy shelling, shortage of assault boats and the flooded stage of the river. So deft and cool was his supervision that the river movement was expeditiously executed with a minimum loss of equipment and personnel. His

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heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

RICHARD C. SHAW, 0325626, Captain, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 6 and 7 December 1944. During the crossing of the swollen Saar River by the * * Battalion, 357th Infantry, Captain Shaw remained at the crossing site, despite intense enemy artillery fire, and directed the operations to completion. So skilful and cool was his supervision that the river movement was expeditiously executed with a minimum loss of equipment and personnel. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

ELMER P. BAIERL, 42019464, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. When his platoon leader was wounded, Staff Sergeant Baierl, Squad Leader, assumed command of the platoon. Although seriously wounded himself, he organized the casualty-depleted platoon and advanced through enemy observed artillery, mortar and small arms fire to take the objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

IONNIE R. BILLY, 38088871, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. When Staff Sergeant Billy was severely wounded by an enemy mortar shell, he ignored his own wounds and helped move other casualties to a position of safety. Not until all the wounded had been treated did Staff Sergeant Billy submit to medical attention. His devotion to his comrades reflects great credit upon himself and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

GERALD D. SLOWEY, 33464838, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Klange, France. The advance of an infantry company was so swift that the danger of friendly tank fire in the area became imminent. Staff Sergeant Slowey, Section Leader, despite intense 75mm arl machine gun fire, made personal contact with the supporting tank battalion and informed them of the situation. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

CHARLES L. WILLIAMS, JR., 33733538, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 September 1944 in the vicinity of Briey, France. When Sergeant Williams observed several casualties lying in an exposed position 50 yards from an enemy machine gun position, he immediately, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy enemy fire and succeeded in evacuating two of the casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

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LEONARD W. OZBUN, 38126635, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 10 June 1944 in the vicinity of Amfreville, France. During the hours of darkness, an enemy plane bombed and strafed the battalion's motor pool. Private First Class Ozbun, Driver, manned a .50 caliber machine gun mounted on a $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle and fired so effectively that tracers were seen to hit the enemy plane, which burst into flames and crashed. Later, when additional enemy planes attacked the position, Private First Class Ozbun continued to fire simultaneously with other machine gunners and succeeded in shooting down another plane. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ok Thoma.

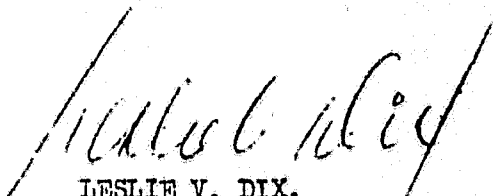
JAMES C. POWER, 37553224, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During the attack on the town, Private First Class Power's platoon leader was wounded. Voluntarily and without regard for personal safety, he subjected himself to the heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire and, with the aid of a companion, carried the wounded platoon leader to safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

JACK READING, 36889633, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of St. Hubert, France. During the attack on a strongly-held enemy fort, heavy casualties were inflicted. Private First Class Reading, Rifleman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to intense enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of all the wounded. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ JULIAN A. MAZZOLA, 38094081, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When wire lines stretched across the Saar River between Regimental Headquarters and the * * Battalion were destroyed by enemy shellfire, Staff Sergeant Mazzola, Communications Chief, assembled a wire crew, procured a cable and a boat and proceeded to reestablish communications. Despite an intense enemy mortar barrage, he, with his comrades, strung the cable across the swift current and reestablished urgently-needed communications. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ CARL M. WEINGARTNER, 33831439, Private, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 10 - 11 November 1944, Private Weingartner distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As First Aid Man and the only Aid Man present with the company on the front, he subjected himself to heavy enemy fire of various calibers and rendered first aid to all the wounded men. Through his tireless efforts and complete devotion to duty, many lives were saved. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ OLIVER C. WILBANKS, W2119263, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

✓ JOHN J. SCHWARTZ, 20110041, Master Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ PAUL W. INMAN, 6263295, First Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the periods 8 June to 10 July 1944 and 21 August to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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SALVATORE A. POLITO, 20110315, First Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 26 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

ALAN D. TORY, 37155521, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 26 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

ROBERT A. TROYAK, 37190108, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 15 July to 26 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

WILLIAM J. ARNEY, 34259355, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

CHARLES R. BELL, 37179752, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 26 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

PETE CORTESE, 35606857, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 July to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

GAROLD D. ANDERSON, 16149619, Corporal, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

JOHN T. COX, 38094409, Corporal, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 1 November to 14 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

IVAN L. ROBBINS, 37155544, Corporal, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

MARTIN L. RYAN, 37172581, Corporal, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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MANDEL GONBERG, 36764713, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 26 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

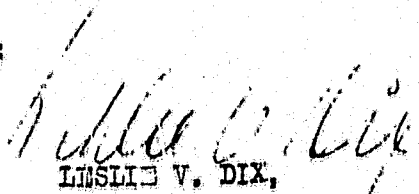
HERBERT K. RITTELSPOHN, 42043447, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 19 June to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from New York.

LEONIDAS F. STORY, 33518903, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 16 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

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I. AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ MICHAEL J. NEDESKY, 37175545, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France on 13 November 1944. During an enemy tank attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Nedesky, Squad Leader, despite intense enemy fire, remained at his dangerously-exposed gun position and directed 57 mm gun fire upon the approaching tanks. By his accurate fire, he immobilized two enemy tanks and forced the withdrawal of the remainder. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ STAN K. SAMMONS, 01323247, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. During an attack on the town, when a rifle Platoon Leader became a casualty, First Lieutenant Sammons, Weapons Platoon Leader, immediately assumed command of the platoon. Despite heavy enemy fire, he directed both platoons with aggressiveness and resourcefulness in a successful continuation of the attack. Though First Lieutenant Sammons was wounded mortally in a later action, the courageous leadership displayed by him was a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ FRANK E. BRUNS, 17045915, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 5 July 1944 in the vicinity of St. Suzanne, France. While voluntarily making a reconnaissance of an enemy-held area in order to assure better positions for the platoon, Technical Sergeant Bruns, Platoon Sergeant, encountered three of the enemy in a well-camouflaged foxhole. He captured the enemy troops and gained valuable information from them, which was instrumental in saving the lives of many of his men and contributed immeasurably to the success of the company in continuing its advance. Though mortally wounded in a later action against the enemy, his courageous devotion to

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duty will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

WILLIAM D. LANGOLF, 36583152, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company * *, 359th Infantry, encountered intense enemy fire from three pillboxes. Private First Class Langolf was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and chose to fight on, despite his painful wounds, until the company was relieved. Though Private First Class Langolf was mortally wounded in a later action, the courageous devotion to duty displayed by him on this occasion was a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

III—AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

EDWARD C. HICKS, JR., 0404186, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in France. During the period 9 - 13 November 1944, Captain Hicks distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Security Guard Officer, he crossed the Moselle River under heavy enemy fire to post guides along intended routes of advance. When a strong enemy force, supported by self-propelled guns, launched a fierce counterattack which threatened the command post, Captain Hicks rallied the men with such inspirational leadership that the enemy was completely repulsed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

JOSEPH J. LIPTOCK, 01297749, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. An enemy counterattack by a strong force of armored infantry and assault guns overran his position. First Lieutenant Liptock, Mortar Section Leader, acting as forward observer, remained at the observation post and directed effective mortar fire upon the enemy. His heroic achievement aided materially in repulsing the enemy counterattack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT E. PUTNAM, 01318929, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 - 10 November 1944, First Lieutenant Putnam distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. When, due to the unprecedented flood of the Moselle River, it became necessary for the battalion to transport all vital supplies and ammunition across the river in assault boats, First Lieutenant Putnam, Ammunition and Pioneer Officer, supervised the flow of supplies across the Moselle. Despite the heavy enemy fire of various calibers, he crossed the swift current several times to make certain that adequate supplies were sent to the battalion. Not until ample supplies and ammunition were available for the troops did he accept relief from his duties at the river. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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✓ ERNEST F. CRANE, 0537580, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack near the town, Second Lieutenant Crane, Platoon Leader, without regard for personal safety, exposed himself to heavy enemy fire by going from man to man and encouraging individual aggressiveness in the platoon's advance on an objective. Although Second Lieutenant Crane was wounded severely, his leadership inspired his platoon to continue its advance even after he was evacuated. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ JAMES H. MCGOUGH, 01306932, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France from 9 - 13 November 1944. Immediately after crossing the swollen Moselle River, Second Lieutenant McGough, Platoon Leader, established his platoon in a favorable position. He then led the only available vehicles to transport sorely needed supplies to the front line troops and to evacuate casualties on the return trip. Later, when the enemy made a counterattack, he expertly deployed his platoon to successfully repel the enemy and destroy two enemy tanks. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ WILLIAM A. BERRY, 37101565, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company * *, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Technical Sergeant Berry, Squad Leader, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ JOHN H. FERGUSON, 35002400, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 September 1944 in the vicinity of Graveotte, France. During an attack on the town, when the Platoon Leader became a casualty, Technical Sergeant Ferguson, Platoon Sergeant, immediately assumed command. During the ensuing battle, he, without regard for his personal safety, led the assault through intense enemy fire so aggressively that the platoon, inspired by his leadership, accomplished its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

✓ JOSEPH W. HARLIN, 14006943, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Hunting, France, on 9 November 1944. During an attack on the town, a platoon leader of Company * *, 359th Infantry, became a casualty. Technical Sergeant Harlin, Platoon Sergeant, assumed command. Without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy fire of all calibers, he treated many casualties and advanced from man to man, inspiring confidence and enthusiasm

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in all the platoon members. So effective was his courageous leadership that the platoon surprised the enemy with a rapid advance and expeditiously accomplished its mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

✓ LEE R. MCKNIGHT, 38024851, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 25 June 1944 in the vicinity of Binville, France. When an infantry battalion was harassed by enemy mortar fire, Technical Sergeant McKnight, Squad Leader, led a patrol through the intense fire into enemy territory and located the mortar positions. The data he obtained enabled the supporting artillery to register on and destroy five enemy mortar and three machine gun positions. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ OTIS L. STARNATER, 38125166, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 4 July 1944 in the vicinity of Le Fry, France. During the attack on the town, when the company officers became casualties, Sergeant Starnater assumed command of a platoon and, without regard for his own safety, led it in an assault upon the entrenched enemy. In spite of intense enemy resistance, so encouraging and inspiring was his leadership that the mission was expeditiously accomplished. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ CHAMP C. THRELKELD, 37404878, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During the attack on the town, two enemy snipers impeded the advance of the company. Technical Sergeant Threlkeld, Platoon Sergeant, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced despite the enemy fire and killed the snipers. As a result of his courageous action the company was able to advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ PETE T. CAPAK, 38155581, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France on 15 September 1944. During an engagement with the enemy, Staff Sergeant Capak's heavy machine gun section was subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, which inflicted numerous casualties on the section. Although he was painfully wounded by enemy shrapnel, Staff Sergeant Capak reorganized his men and led them to cover. Not until he had personally seen that all his wounded men had been given first aid did he permit himself to be evacuated. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ RUBEEN CREEKBAUM, 18086538, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an intense enemy artillery barrage, Staff Sergeant Creekbaum observed a wounded man lying helpless in an exposed position. Without regard for his personal safety, Staff Sergeant Creekbaum left a position of cover and moved to the casualty, administered first aid and moved him to a position of safety. The heroic achievement of Staff Sergeant Creekbaum saved the life of a wounded man and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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✓ JOHN HALPIN, JR., 32531719, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Kalling, France, on 9 November 1944. During an attack on the town, Staff Sergeant Halpin, Squad Leader, observed a casualty lying in an area dangerously exposed to enemy artillery and machine gun fire. Without regard for his personal safety, Staff Sergeant Halpin advanced to the position of the wounded man, administered first aid and evacuated him to the aid station for further medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ LEONARD L. HOLSTEN, 37153696, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France from 9 - 12 November 1944. During the action immediately following the crossing of the Moselle River, the shortage of rations and ammunition at the three front line battalions became critical. Staff Sergeant Holsten, First Gunner, carried supplies in a 1½-ton vehicle through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire for three successive days and nights, relieving the supply shortage. On his return trips, he transported casualties to the bridgehead aid station, saving many lives. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ OTILIO LOPEZ, 12031943, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Les Etangs, France. On 18 November 1944, Staff Sergeant Lopez distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Squad Leader of the point squad of Company **, which led the ** Battalion, 359th Infantry, in an attack on the town, he located routes around obstacles, flushed rear guard enemy troops and assisted in their destruction. His aggressive and adroit leadership aided materially in the attainment of the battalion's objective, the capture of 180 prisoners and the destruction of an enemy convoy. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ JAMES SHERRARD III, 33344170, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Kalmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company **, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Staff Sergeant Sherrard, Squad Leader, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ THOMAS O. MOORE, 38149129, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. During the period 9 - 10 November 1944, Technician Third Grade Moore distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Aid Man, he voluntarily accompanied the first assault wave of troops across the Moselle River and administered first aid to the wounded on the far side while subjected to heavy enemy-observed fire. Later, when the vital medical supplies of a Battalion aid station were depleted, he voluntarily returned across the swollen river and secured the necessary supplies. His heroic service was in accordance

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with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ ABRAHAM ABRAMOWITZ, 42065353, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 28 October 1944 in the vicinity of Verneville, France. When Sergeant Abramowitz, Rifleman, heard nearby enemy voices while on a routine patrol, he, having some knowledge of the German language, crept closer and learned the enemy would establish an Observation Post there early the next morning. His presence of mind and courageous action in obtaining this data enabled the supporting artillery to destroy the installation, killing 8 of the enemy and wounding several more. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ LLOYD W. ANDERSON, 371-72956, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Chassille, France, on 9 August 1944. When fragments from an exploding ammunition dump ignited a truck and trailer loaded with anti-tank mines and demolition equipment, Sergeant Anderson, Communications Chief, directed the evacuation of personnel and removal of vehicles and other equipment from the area. Sergeant Anderson's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ ROBERT T. LACROSS, 36583505, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. When an infantry company was subjected to an enemy armored attack, Sergeant LaCross, Rifleman, remained in his position, despite intense enemy fire. With accurate machine gun fire he halted the tank's advance and destroyed many enemy vehicles. His courageous action enabled the company to repulse the enemy attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

✓ JOHN P. LAMB, 38024762, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. When an infantry company was subjected to an enemy armored attack, Sergeant Lamb, Squad Leader, despite intense enemy fire, remained in his position. With accurate mortar registration he secured several direct hits on the tanks, which halted their advance and enabled infantry to repulse the enemy attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ CHARLES J. MATULA, 38155017, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France, on 12 November 1944. During a counterattack on the town by a numerically superior enemy, Sergeant Matula, Communications Chief, despite intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, remained at his dangerously exposed position and relayed radio messages to the Net Control Station. His heroic service aided materially in repelling the counterattack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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JOE SKORICH, 37173544, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France from 9 - 12 November 1944. During the action immediately following the crossing of the Moselle River, the shortage of rations and ammunition at the three front line battalions became critical. Sergeant Skorich, Transportation Non-Commissioned Officer, carried supplies in a 1½-ton vehicle through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire for three successive days and nights, relieving the supply shortage. On his return trips, he transported casualties to the bridgehead aid station, saving many lives. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

JESS S. WALKER, 18108887, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, Sergeant Walker, Assistant Squad Leader, and three companions, formed a litter squad and advanced through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to evacuate five wounded men to a place of safety. Sergeant Walker then returned to an area subjected to enemy small arms fire and, with the aid of his companions, killed several enemy snipers in the area to facilitate further evacuation of casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WALLACE E. LEE, 37137601, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 9 - 10 November 1944. During the Moselle River operation, Technician Fourth Grade Lee voluntarily crossed the river with the initial assault troops and assisted in the establishment of a Regimental aid station on the east bank. Without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy shelling, he worked night and day with little rest, administering first aid and evacuating casualties. His heroic service facilitated the speedy recovery of many wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

LEONARD E. STONE, 37050230, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France on 13 November 1944. During an enemy tank attack on the town, Corporal Stone, Gunner, despite intense enemy fire, remained at his dangerously-exposed gun position and directed 57 mm gun fire upon the approaching tanks. By his accurate fire, he immobilized two enemy tanks and forced the withdrawal of the remainder. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

WILBUR P. WAGNER, 37154992, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 9 August 1944. When fragments from an exploding ammunition dump ignited a truck and trailer loaded with anti-tank mines and demolition equipment, Technician Fifth Grade Wagner, Truck Driver, directed the evacuation of personnel and removal of vehicles and other equipment from the area. Technician Fifth Grade Wagner's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

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LEO ARIAS, 36548666, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France, on 10 November 1944. When a soldier was wounded seriously, Private First Class Arias, Automatic Rifleman, without regard for personal safety, advanced through heavy enemy artillery fire to reach the wounded man. He, with the aid of a companion, carried the casualty to the rear, a distance of more than a mile, where further medical treatment could be given the wounded man. Private First Class Arias' heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

HOWARD M. BYRNE, 37578379, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, Private First Class Byrne, Rifleman, and three companions, formed a litter squad and advanced through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to evacuate five wounded men to a place of safety. Private First Class Byrne then returned to an area subjected to enemy small arms fire and, with the aid of his companions, killed several enemy snipers in the area to facilitate further evacuation of casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

MIKE DEMCHUK, 37173542, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France from 9 - 12 November 1944. During the action immediately following the crossing of the Moselle River, the shortage of rations and ammunition at the three front line battalions became critical. Private First Class Demchuk, Truck Driver, carried supplies in a 1½-ton vehicle through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire for three successive days and nights, relieving the supply shortage. On his return trips, he transported casualties to the bridgehead aid station, saving many lives. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

JULIUS ERMIS, 38094977, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company **, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Private First Class Ermis, Automatic Rifleman, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

THOMAS L. HORNER, 35297063, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, Private First Class Horner, Rifleman, and three companions, formed a litter squad and advanced through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to evacuate five wounded men to a place of safety. Private First Class Horner then returned to an area subjected to enemy small arms fire and, with the aid of his companions, killed several enemy snipers in the area to facilitate further evacuation of casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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ANDREW N. HYTIMEN, 36830887, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company * *, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Private First Class Eytinen, Rifleman, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

CLARENCE A. LASURE, 37577937, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During the attack on the town by Company * *, 359th Infantry, a soldier was wounded seriously. Private First Class Lasure, Rifleman, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced as a member of a litter team through intense enemy fire and carried the wounded man to a place of comparative safety from which he could be evacuated to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

MANUEL R. MONTIEL, 39852216, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During the attack on the town by Company * *, 359th Infantry, a soldier was wounded seriously. Private First Class Montiel, Rifleman, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced as a member of a litter team through intense enemy fire and carried the wounded man to a place of comparative safety from which he could be evacuated to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

BENJAMIN O. McCARTNEY, 37708308, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 10 November 1944. When a soldier was wounded seriously, Private First Class McCartney, Rifleman, without regard for personal safety, advanced through heavy enemy artillery fire to reach the wounded man. He, with the aid of a companion, carried the casualty to the rear, a distance of more than a mile, where further medical treatment could be given the wounded man. Private First Class McCartney's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

RALPH E. MOODY, 33902930, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company * *, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Private First Class Moody, Rifleman, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

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✓ WILLIAM O. MORGAN, 38569231, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, Private First Class Morgan, Rifleman, and three companions, formed a litter squad and advanced through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to evacuate five wounded men to a place of safety. Private First Class Morgan then returned to an area subjected to enemy small arms fire and, with the aid of his companions, killed several enemy snipers in the area to facilitate further evacuation of casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

GUSTAV E. PEARSON, 37571638, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When medical aid men were unavailable to aid casualties of an infantry platoon, Private First Class Pearson, Rifleman, organized a group of civilians into litter bearers and evacuated the wounded to an area of comparative safety. His courageous action saved the lives of many men and enabled the platoon to reorganize and continue the advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

HAROLD E. PETERSON, 32992731, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France on 9 November 1944. Subsequent to the crossing of the Moselle River, when Company **, 359th Infantry, captured so many of the enemy that the handling of them began to hamper the company's advance, Private First Class Peterson, Rifleman, took the prisoners into his custody. Throughout intense enemy shelling, he kept the prisoners under his immediate control and without loss of any by escape, he evacuated them to the rear for disposition. His heroic service enabled the company to advance on its mission unhindered by the presence of the prisoners and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ RUSSELL B. PREUIT, JR., 34817776, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. When the position of Company **, 359th Infantry, was threatened by an enemy attack, Private First Class Preuit, despite intense fire from enemy tanks and machine guns, fired his automatic rifle so effectively that the enemy was forced to withdraw. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

✓ JOHN E. QUINN, 34888013, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company **, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Private First Class Quinn, Rifleman, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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HARRISON I. SCOTT, 35299285, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During the attack on the town by Company * *, 359th Infantry, a soldier was wounded seriously. Private First Class Scott, Rifleman, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced as a member of a litter team through intense enemy fire and carried the wounded man to a place of comparative safety from which he could be evacuated to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

ROBERT F. SOLANDER, 31389558, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Worthen, France. Company * *, 359th Infantry, was subjected to a counter-attack by a numerically superior enemy force. Private First Class Solander, Rifleman, secured a light machine gun and, despite intense enemy fire, advanced to a commanding position and neutralized the enemy's fire. His courageous action enabled the infantry to repulse the enemy attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

JOSEPH T. TIKAL, 36804964, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malmaison, France, on 16 September 1944. During an attack on the town, Company * *, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from three pillboxes. Private First Class Tikal, Rifleman, was wounded. Cognizant that the strength of his company was badly depleted, he declined evacuation and continued to fight, despite his painful wounds. Not until his company was relieved would he allow himself to be taken to the aid station for medical treatment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

CECIL G. ZEILINSKI, 39341221, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During the attack on the town by Company * *, 359th Infantry, a soldier was wounded seriously. Private First Class Zeilinski, Rifleman, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced as a member of a litter team through intense enemy fire and carried the wounded man to a place of comparative safety from which he could be evacuated to the aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

MILLO C. WALLIN, 0518602, Captain, Dental Corps, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 21 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

HOWARD W. WEBB, 0507433, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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✓ THOMAS F. KENNEDY, 20112379, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ JOHN F. DARNALL, 37138646, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ RALPH L. BOSSUNG, 37179182, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ KENNETH C. ROGERS, 38147035, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ FLOYD D. BURCHAM, 18026726, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the periods 6 - 15 June 1944 and 23 July to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ LAWRENCE E. SPANGLER, 37155378, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 14 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ JAMES T. MOSS, 37009300, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 20 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ PAUL E. NELSON, 37155546, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ RALPH I. WOOLEY, 37107882, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ CHARLES J. CUNNINGHAM, 374291589, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

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WILLIAM H. HUNNEMAN, 31225685, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

PERCY N. PIGG, 18075283, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

BURL C. ZORN, 37169670, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

RICHARD L. WARD, 37108242, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

ARCHIE G. SIMONS, 38094185, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

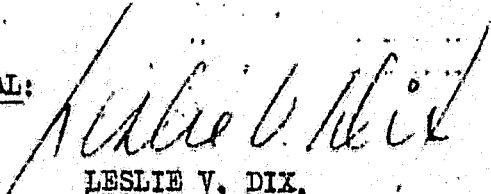
ELLIS W. TAMPLIN, 34280177, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

LOWELL DeBOEF, 37118681, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 7 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

CHESTER S. THURE, 37173396, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

By command of Major General VAN FLEET:

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LESLIE V. DIX,
Major, A.G.D.,
Adjutant General.

JOHN C. WHITCOMB,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
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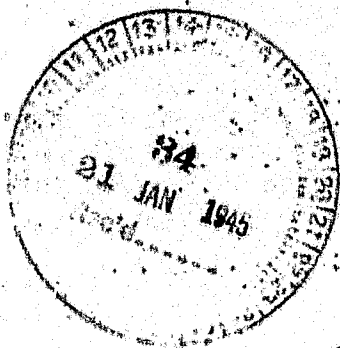
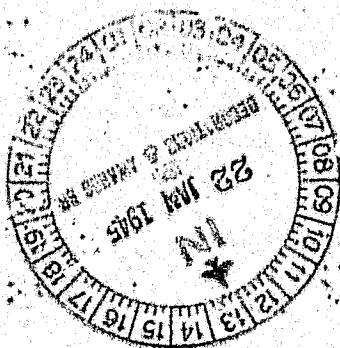
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AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR-----
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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ JOHN W. KING, Jr., 33516508, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 10 - 13 November 1944, Technician Fifth Grade King distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Litter Bearer, he advanced over difficult terrain under heavy enemy observed artillery fire and assisted in the evacuation of 40 casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ LLOYD P. FARMER, 38089359, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 90th Signal Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of Neunkirchen and Turweiler, Germany. When enemy artillery fire shattered communication lines between Division Headquarters and three adjacent units, Sergeant Farmer advanced along the wire route, despite intense enemy fire, repaired the wire lines and restored the vital communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ DONALD L. HAYWORTH, 35160332, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 June to 13 October 1944. When litter bearers were requested to evacuate casualties under extremely hazardous conditions, Technician Fourth Grade Hayworth repeatedly volunteered. On one occasion, he carried two casualties 500 yards through a narrow street with burning buildings on each side, and with unexploded artillery shells still lying in the street. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

✓ LAURI J. BERGREN, 37155931, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Technician Fifth Grade Bergren, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling, worked night

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and day with little rest assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

LYLE R. CROSS, 37190298, Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, 90th Signal Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of Neunkirchen and Furweiler, Germany. When enemy artillery fire shattered communication lines between Division Headquarters and three adjacent units, Technician Fifth Grade Cross advanced along the wire route, despite intense enemy fire, repaired the wire lines and restored the vital communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

THOMAS F. CURRAN, 32986575, Private First Class, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Private First Class Curran, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling, worked night and day with little rest assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

JOHN A. D'ALLESANDRO, 33790838, Private First Class, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Private First Class D'Allesandro, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling worked night and day with little rest assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT B. DAWSON, 35454751, Private First Class, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Private First Class Dawson, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling, worked night and day with little rest assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

WALTER DUBYK, 36707448, Private First Class, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Private First Class Dubyk, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling, worked night and day with little rest

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assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

VERNON H. PARKER, 38103320, Private First Class, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Private First Class Parker, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling, worked night and day with little rest assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

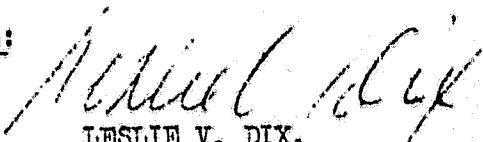
DANIEL M. SHANNON, 37118905, Private First Class, Infantry, 90th Infantry Division Band, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 11 - 16 November 1944. During the establishment of a bridgehead across the swollen Moselle River, Private First Class Shannon, Litter Bearer, despite constant enemy shelling, worked night and day with little rest assisting in the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action under adverse conditions materially contributed to the speedy recovery of many wounded men. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

ABRAHAM BOWLING, 35455907, Private, Signal Corps, 90th Signal Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of Neunkirchen and Furweiler, Germany. When enemy artillery fire shattered communication lines between Division Headquarters and three adjacent units, Private Bowling advanced along the wire route, despite intense enemy fire, repaired the wire lines and restored the vital communication. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

By command of Major General VAN FLEET:

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

CLEGG CAFFERY, 0354105, Major, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 16 - 22 December 1944. As Operations Officer during the establishment of a bridgehead across the Saar River, Major Caffery worked day and night with untiring energy. Despite intense enemy fire, he evacuated damaged vehicles and maintained a constant flow of regulated traffic. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

KENNETH W. FISHER, 0887624, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 and 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During an attack on the town, when the shortage of ammunition and rations became critical, Second Lieutenant Fisher, Reconnaissance Platoon Leader, organized a hand-carrying party of 20 men to accompany him on an assignment to replenish the supply. Without regard for his own safety, he led the section over a route which was subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire and returned with the urgently-needed items. Through the courageous leadership of Second Lieutenant Fisher, the mission was accomplished without casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

OTTO A. KRIEG, 01015750, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Mussy L'evenque, France. During an attack on the town, a platoon of tanks in support of infantry troops encountered a convoy of five enemy vehicles. Second Lieutenant Krieg, Platoon Leader, from his exposed position in the lead tank, directed such effective and accurate fire upon the convoy that all five vehicles were immobilized and 17 enemy were taken prisoner. The courageous and efficient action of Second Lieutenant Krieg in disrupting the enemy column enabled the infantry to advance and accomplish its mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Utah.

HAROLD J. BAKER, W2119920, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfanger, Germany. When three tanks stalled in an attempt to board a ferry under fire, Warrant Officer Junior Grade Baker with his recovery vehicle, cleared the ramp leading to the ferry and then initiated an unusually

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rapid loading process which materially aided the clearing of the ferry site; an accomplishment of great importance to the success of the operations against the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

CHARLES W. BAHRKE, 36202050, Sergeant, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the battle in the town, Sergeant Bahrke, Tank Commander, was notified that two enemy tanks were firing on the infantry. Aware that the 75mm tank gun would no longer operate automatically, but had to be cocked by hand each time it was fired, he nevertheless drove his tank to within 300 yards of the enemy tanks and scored direct hits which disabled them. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT A. HAGERTY, 35263489, Sergeant, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 and 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Moselle River operations, four tanks became embedded in the marshy, soft soil near the shore. Sergeant Hagerty, Tank Commander, with aid of companions, worked through $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours of darkness, under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, to finally free the tanks and enable the platoon to reach its destination without loss of a vehicle. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

WALTER H. KWIATKOWSKI, 36376497, Sergeant, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Sergeant Kwiatkowski, Tank Commander, voluntarily traversed the area under heavy enemy fire of various caliber and assisted in their evacuation. He then organized and supervised a group of soldiers who carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

JOHN M. PELLETIERE, 36005464, Sergeant, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 and 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Moselle River operations, four tanks became embedded in the marshy, soft soil near the shore. Sergeant Pelletiere, Tank Commander, with aid of companions, worked through $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours of darkness, under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, to finally free the tanks and enable the platoon to reach its destination without loss of a vehicle. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

PETER P. BORSENIK, 36157193, Technician Fourth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 13 - 19 December 1944. As Tank Mechanic, Technician Fourth Grade Borsenik, traversed areas which were subjected to intense enemy fire and made repairs on damaged tanks. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

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GEORGE H. BUSSELL, 35159790, Technician Fourth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the battle in the town, the infantry troops were fired on by two enemy tanks. Technician Fourth Grade Bussell, Tank Driver, volunteered with a tank crew to attack the enemy tanks. Aware that the 75mm tank gun would no longer operate automatically, but had to be cocked by hand each time it was fired, he nevertheless drove his tank to within 300 yards of the enemy tanks and, from this position, disabled the two enemy armored vehicles. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

VALENTINE T. RINGWELSKI, 37323515, Technician Fourth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 and 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Moselle River operations, four tanks became embedded in the marshy, soft soil near the shore. Technician Fourth Grade Ringwelski, Tank Driver, with aid of companions, worked through $7\frac{1}{2}$ hours of darkness, under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, to finally free the tanks and enable the platoon to reach its destination without loss of a vehicle. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

PETER J. ESPOSITO, 11112019, Corporal (Then Private First Class), 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 11 and 12 December 1944. When the shortage of ammunition and rations became critical, Corporal Esposito, Bow Gunner, was placed in charge of a carrying party. Working ceaselessly over difficult terrain and under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, he succeeded in carrying supplies across the Saar River to a forward dump from which the supplies were easily distributed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Rhode Island.

LOUIS G. GRUNTZ, 38373076, Corporal, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Mussy L'eveque, France. During an attack on the town, a platoon of tanks in support of infantry troops encountered a convoy of five enemy vehicles. Corporal Gruntz, Gunner, from his exposed position in the lead tank, fired his tank gun so effectively and accurately upon the convoy that all five vehicles were immobilized and 17 enemy were taken prisoner. The courageous and efficient action of Corporal Gruntz in disrupting the enemy column enabled the infantry to advance and accomplish its mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

STERLING G. JUSTICE, 35717348, Corporal, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the battle in the town, the infantry troops were fired on by two enemy tanks. Corporal Justice, Gunner, volunteered with a tank crew to attack the enemy tanks. Aware that the 75mm tank gun would no longer operate automatically, but had to be cocked by hand each time it was fired, he displayed excellent gunnery and immobilized the enemy tanks. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

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JOHN R. CLARK, 36541365, Technician Fifth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During the battle in the town, an ammunition truck subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire became embedded in soft soil. Technician Fifth Grade Clark, Driver, remained in the area despite the enemy shelling, and, after making several unsuccessful attempts to extricate the truck by means of chains, finally freed it with the aid of a tank destroyer retriever. He then drove the truck to its destination and delivered the critically-needed ammunition, capturing two enemy en route. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

ALEX PAPIERNIK, 36201845, Technician Fifth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fremersdorf, Germany. During a heavy enemy artillery barrage, a half-track vehicle was hit. Without regard for his personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Papiernik subjected himself to the continuous enemy barrage, improvised parts with materiel lying around the vehicle, repaired it and drove the vehicle to a position of safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

U. Z. RODERICK, 39233444, Technician Fifth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Technician Fifth Grade Roderick, with companions, voluntarily traversed an area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided also in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

ROBERT L. SHOCKLEY, 38110192, Technician Fifth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in the vicinity of Pachten and Dillingen, Germany, during the period 13 - 19 December 1944. During the Saar River crossing, Technician Fifth Grade Shockley, Driver, worked night and day under enemy fire carrying ammunition, rations and other emergency items. By his courageous devotion to duty in maintaining a steady flow of supplies, Technician Fifth Grade Shockley materially contributed to the fighting efficiency of the tank platoon. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

EDMUND J. KEADY, 31235951, Private First Class, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 11 and 12 December 1944. When the shortage of ammunition and rations became critical, Private First Class Keady, Driver, was placed in charge of a carrying party. Working ceaselessly over difficult terrain and under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, he succeeded in carrying supplies across the Saar River to a forward dump from which the supplies were easily distributed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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JOSEPH W. MARINO, 31206211, Private First Class, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During the battle in the town, an ammunition truck subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire became embedded in soft soil. Private First Class Marino, Assistant Driver, remained in the area despite the enemy shelling, and, after making several unsuccessful attempts to extricate the truck by means of chains, finally freed it with the aid of a tank destroyer retriever. He then assisted in driving the truck to its destination and delivered the critically-needed ammunition, capturing two enemy en route. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

PAUL D. SPARKS, 34398864, Private First Class, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Private First Class Sparks, with companions, voluntarily traversed the area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. When, on the return trip, the party lost its way, Private First Class Sparks led it to safety. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

GLYDE STRONG, 36406647, Private First Class, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 11 and 12 December 1944. When the shortage of ammunition and rations became critical, Private First Class Strong, Rifleman, was placed in charge of a carrying party. Working ceaselessly over difficult terrain and under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, he succeeded in carrying supplies across the Saar River to a forward dump from which the supplies were easily distributed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

ALBERT I. VINCENTI, 32379778, Private First Class, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Private First Class Vincent, with companions, voluntarily traversed an area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided also in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

WILLIAM J. DOYLE, 33357915, Private, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Private Doyle, with companions,

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voluntarily traversed an area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided also in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

EDWIN T. KITTELSON, 36835717, Private, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Private Kittelson, with companions, voluntarily traversed an area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided also in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

JOHN J. MURRAY, JR., 31355087, Private, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Private Murray, with companions, voluntarily traversed an area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided also in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

HOWELL W. VARNADO, 34138953, Private, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the battle in the town, the infantry troops were fired on by two enemy tanks. Private Varnado, Bow Gunner, volunteered with a tank crew to attack the enemy tanks. Aware that the 75mm tank gun would no longer operate automatically, but had to be cocked by hand each time it was fired, he aided materially the disabling of the two enemy tanks. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

WILLIAM E. WHITLEY, 35099033, Private, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the battle in the town, the infantry troops were fired on by two enemy tanks. Private Whitley, Cannoneer, volunteered with a tank crew to attack the enemy tanks. Aware that the 75mm tank gun would no longer operate automatically, but had to be cocked by hand each time it was fired, he nevertheless operated the weapon so effectively that the two enemy tanks were disabled. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

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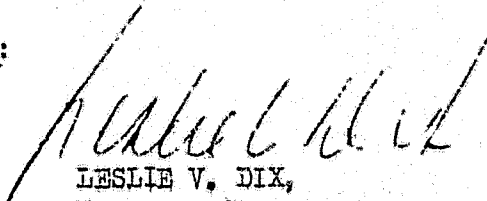
WALTER J. WALLACE, 6583444, Technical Sergeant, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 3 July to 3 December 1944. Entered Military Service from New York.

HAROLD L. PRAY, 37093646, Technician Fourth Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 3 July to 25 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

By command of Major General VAN FLEET:

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7 January 1945

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

CLIFFORD R. MAY, 38147010, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen, Germany. During an attack on the town, the wire communication line from the observation post to the fire direction center was severed by enemy shell fragments. Technician Fifth Grade May, Wireman and Telephone Operator, on two occasions, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy artillery fire, left a position of comparative safety and repaired the line. His courageous action enabled the artillery observer to continue the fire mission and destroy the enemy target. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

JAMES E. FARRELL, 35621877, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 July 1944 in the vicinity of Forêt de Monte Castre, France. During the attack on Hill 122, the wire communication line between the observation post and the fire direction center was severed by enemy shell fragments. Technician Fifth Grade Farrell, Radio Operator, without regard for his personal safety, moved under heavy enemy artillery fire to a new position and established radio communications. His courageous action resulted in repelling an enemy counterattack and inflicting heavy losses upon the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

RAYMOND E. BEGITSCHKE, 36686338, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 19 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an enemy night counter-attack spearheaded by tanks, the communication lines between the Forward Observation Post of Battery **, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, and the artillery, were disrupted by enemy artillery fire. Private First Class Begitschke, Wireman, immediately left his place of cover and, despite complete darkness and intense enemy artillery fire, succeeded in locating and repairing two breaks in the line. His courageous and expert performance enabled the Forward Observer to resume the direction of artillery fire which resulted in repelling the enemy tanks. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

WALTER M. SCHIEWE, 35345321, Private, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen, Germany. During an attack on the town, the wire communication line from the observation post to the fire direction center was severed by enemy shell fragments. Private Schiewe, Wireman, on two occasions, without regard

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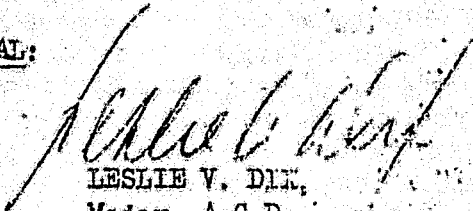
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for his personal safety and despite intense enemy artillery fire, left a position of comparative safety and repaired the line. His courageous action enabled the artillery observer to continue the fire mission and destroy the enemy target. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

PATRICK J. BARRY, 01169419, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 9 - 19 November 1944. During an infantry battalion's crossing of the Moselle River, it became difficult to maintain wire communication between the battalion and the regiment. First Lieutenant Barry, Artillery Reconnaissance Officer, hand-carried a portable radio during the entire action. Despite direct enemy artillery fire and rough terrain on the far shore, he maintained constant communication which materially aided the success of the battalion's mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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AWARD OF THIRD OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal and two Oak-Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a third Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to:

ALLEN T. O'CONNOR, 0465107, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 9 November to 25 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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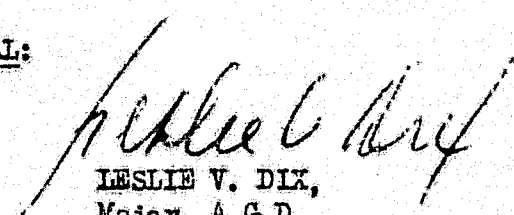
Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to:

✓ JOSEPH B. MULLINEAUX, JR., 01184266, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 11 November to 12 December 1944 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered military service from South Carolina.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 25 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓ ROSCOE W. COX, 37000128, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. When the second wave of an assault force was washed downstream while crossing the flooded Moselle River, First Sergeant Cox, despite intense enemy artillery and machine gun fire and at risk of his life, ran to each boat as it arrived at the far shore and directed the troops to a rallying point. He then led a group in an attack against the objective and, when the advance was impeded by enemy bazooka fire, he personally advanced to a position where he was able to silence the bazookas with rifle fire. First Sergeant Cox's courageous action aided materially the success of the mission and was an inspiration to all of his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ FLOYD B. FORD, 33379089, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. A platoon of infantry was assigned the mission of occupying and holding an area which overlooked a vital supply route to the front line troops. When the platoon's position was attacked by a numerically superior enemy force, Staff Sergeant Ford, Squad Leader, remained at his post and encouraged the men to hold their ground despite intense enemy fire of all calibers. So inspiring was his courageous leadership that the platoon was enabled to accomplish its mission against seemingly hopeless odds. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

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AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ LOUIS P. KAYSER, 37467305, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 - 14 November 1944. During the Moselle River operations, Technician Fourth Grade Kayser worked ceaselessly as a technician and litter bearer with the advance section of a collecting station. He gave medical treatment at the collecting station and evacuated wounded to boats on the river, both by litter and by back carry. His indefatigability and complete disregard for personal safety resulted in saving the lives of many wounded men. Technician Fourth Grade Kayser's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ ANTHONY J. PODOLINSKY, 37172643, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during operations on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. During the evacuation of casualties across the Saar River, a heavy enemy artillery barrage landed in the immediate vicinity of the 359th Infantry ferry. Staff Sergeant Podolinsky, Platoon Sergeant, without regard for his personal safety, hastened to the ferry and administered first aid to seven casualties. He, with the aid of comrades, assisted the wounded to a vehicle 100 yards away and from there they were evacuated to a collecting station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ WILLARD C. JIMMERSON, 38125130, Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during operations on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. During the evacuation of casualties across the Saar River, a heavy enemy artillery barrage landed in the immediate vicinity of the 359th Infantry ferry. Sergeant Jimmerson, Section Sergeant, without regard for his personal safety, hastened to the ferry and administered first aid to seven casualties. He, with the aid of comrades, assisted the wounded to a vehicle 100 yards away and from there they were evacuated to a collecting station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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JOHN R. CROWDER, 35557357, Corporal, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When the water supply at an aid station became critically low, Corporal Crowder, Litter Bearer, with another man, on two occasions voluntarily advanced across a dangerously-exposed area to a well 300 yards distant and, despite intense enemy mortar, machine gun and sniper fire, returned with urgently-needed water. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

HARRY RUSH, 36703337, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 10 - 14 November 1944. During the Moselle River operations, Technician Fifth Grade Rush worked ceaselessly as a technician and litter bearer with the advance section of a collecting station. He gave medical treatment at the collecting station and evacuated wounded to boats on the river, both by litter and by back carry. His indefatigability and complete disregard for personal safety resulted in saving the lives of many wounded men. Technician Fifth Grade Rush's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

ROBERT L. KEENAN, 37178289, Private First Class (then Private), Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during operations on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. During the evacuation of casualties across the Saar River, a heavy enemy artillery barrage landed in the immediate vicinity of the 359th Infantry ferry. Private First Class Keenan, Litter Bearer, without regard for his personal safety, hastened to the ferry and administered first aid to seven casualties. He, with the aid of comrades, assisted the wounded to a vehicle 100 yards away and from there they were evacuated to a collecting station. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

HARRY H. MOORE, 39459151, Private First Class, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When the water supply at an aid station became critically low, Private First Class Moore, Litter Bearer, with another man, on two occasions voluntarily advanced across a dangerously exposed area to a well 300 yards distant and, despite intense enemy mortar, machine gun and sniper fire, returned with urgently-needed water. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

MARION A. GILMAN, 34826626, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Malling, France during the period 10 - 14 November 1944. During the Moselle River operation, Private Gilman, Litter Bearer, worked day and night with little rest evacuating casualties and providing for their welfare while under heavy enemy fire. He organized two squads of enemy prisoners into litter bearers and supervised them in the carrying and disposition of wounded men. By his courageous devotion to duty, Private Gilman, though wounded, was responsible for saving the lives of many casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously to:

JOHN R. QUEER, 33394875, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisse, France. When two artillery linemen were wounded seriously by an exploding enemy anti-personnel mine, Private First Class Queer, Rigger, and two companions, left the road and traversed the heavily mined area to the wounded men. While carrying the casualties to the road, Private First Class Queer was mortally wounded and his companions injured, when another enemy anti-personnel mine exploded. Private First Class Queer's courageous and selfless action aided materially in the successful evacuation of the casualties and will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

II--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JOHN KOPIEL, 32042562, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France, during the period 27 - 30 October 1944. During the battle for the town, a self-propelled 155mm gun was emplaced to fire directly at enemy-occupied buildings only 150 yards distant. Because of the close proximity of the enemy, Staff Sergeant Kopiel, Platoon Sergeant, unassisted and despite intense enemy fire, placed land mines in the area around the gun to protect the position from possible infiltration by the enemy. Though the gun drew enemy mortar and artillery fire, he exposed himself after each round was fired to make certain the muzzle blast had not caused the mines to become inoperative. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

VEROY E. EPPS, 33236746, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 August 1944 in the vicinity of Mayenne, France. When the 345th Field Artillery Battalion's daylight mission was interrupted by a strafing attack by three enemy planes, Private Epps, Machine Gunner with a nearby antiaircraft section, immediately opened fire upon the enemy. So effective was his fire that one plane was set afire and all three of the enemy aircraft abandoned their strafing mission. His heroic achievement made the enemy attack completely unsuccessful and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to: (Now Missing in Action)

✓ TRIMBELL D. LAWRENCE, 38146504, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. When the platoon reached the sector of its objective, Staff Sergeant Lawrence, Platoon Guide, observed several buildings in the area. Since all members of the platoon were engaged in fulfilling assignments, he, on his own initiative, proceeded alone to search them. Upon hearing a disturbance inside one of the structures, he, at risk of his life, immediately entered, surprised and captured two of the enemy who had been using the house as a command post. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

STEDMAN CHANDLER, 0217073, Major, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 - 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the Moselle River operation, Major Chandler, Battalion S-3, crossed the flooded river with the advance command group and assisted in the establishment of a regimental command post on the east side. When the command post was attacked by a numerically superior enemy, Major Chandler, at risk of his life and despite intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire, organized the thinly-scattered troops into an efficient fighting force to resist the enemy assault. So inspiring was his courageous leadership that the attack was repulsed and the enemy was forced into a disorganized withdrawal. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

✓ ORAL G. NELSON, 01319318, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. As Commanding Officer of Company **, during the crossing of the Moselle River and prior to the attack on the town by the ** Battalion, 359th Infantry, Captain Nelson directed artillery fire on enemy positions with such accuracy that 35 enemy were killed and one enemy vehicle destroyed. When the enemy initiated a counterattack, he moved forward with a bazooka gunner, personally loaded the bazooka and directed fire on enemy self-propelled assault guns. During this action, three Commanders of Company ** became casualties. Captain Nelson assumed command and led the company in an attack on the objective. After weakening enemy resistance by accurate

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registration of artillery fire from three supporting tank destroyers, he personally led the tank destroyers and a patrol through intense enemy fire and captured the town. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ KENNETH C. EVANS, 01314118, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During a heavy enemy counterattack, First Lieutenant Evans, Machine Gun Platoon Leader, acted as a Mortar Observer and directed effective mortar fire upon the enemy from his observation post. When small groups of the enemy infiltrated into the sector held by his company, he ceased directing fire missions for fear of injuring friendly troops. At risk of his life, he left the observation post and advanced under intense enemy small arms fire to a communications trench where he resumed the fight as a rifleman with the rest of the company. Though wounded and subsequently evacuated, First Lieutenant Evans' courageous action and complete devotion to duty inspired the men around him and aided materially in the defeat of the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

✓ FRANK L. MINOR, 01299608, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 - 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During an attack on the town by a numerically superior enemy force, First Lieutenant Minor, Platoon Leader, rallied the troops of the Regimental Guard Platoon and coordinated them into an efficient fighting group. At risk of his life and though painfully wounded by shrapnel, he advanced from man to man and encouraged them to hold their ground despite the overwhelming odds. So inspiring was the courageous leadership of First Lieutenant Minor that the enemy attack was completely routed and more than 50 of the enemy were killed. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

✓ ALFRED WEISMANTEL, 01320351, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. When he observed an antitank gun crew surrounded by an enemy force, First Lieutenant Weismantel, Antitank Platoon Officer, at risk of his life, advanced 100 yards through heavy enemy fire of various calibers to go to the aid of the crew. Reaching the gun emplacement, he assisted in killing 8 of the enemy and maintaining the position until the arrival of additional troops forced the enemy to withdraw. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ FRED JACKSON, 37190232, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. While cleaning out a sector of enemy-occupied woods near the town, the platoon found the area heavily mined. Technical Sergeant Jackson, Platoon Sergeant, assumed command in the absence of the platoon leader, scouted ahead for safe trails and finding them, led the platoon through the mined area. During the reconnaissance, he loaded rifle clips for an automatic rifleman, which enabled the rifleman to fire continuously and keep the way open for the advancing platoon. Technical Sergeant Jackson traversed the mine field, maintaining contact

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with an adjacent unit and coordinating the movements of the troops until he lost a leg from an exploding enemy mine. His courageous and selfless action inspired all his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

WALTER A. MITROS, 33474524, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 June 1944 in the vicinity of Orlandes, France. During an attack on the town, heavy fire from three enemy machine guns impeded the advance of Company **, 359th Infantry. Staff Sergeant Mitros, Rifleman, voluntarily and at risk of his life, led a group of six men through intense enemy fire and destroyed the enemy machine guns with hand grenades. He then led a bayonet charge against these positions and killed the remaining enemy. Staff Sergeant Mitros' courageous action enabled the company to continue its advance and aided materially the success of the mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

KENNETH L. PETERS, 36417294, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberesch, Germany. During an attack on the town, two enemy machine guns temporarily impeded the advance of a battalion of infantry. Staff Sergeant Peters, Squad Leader, at risk of his life, led his squad in an attack on the enemy positions which resulted in a disorganized retreat of the opposing gun crews and the capture of two enemy. Later he advanced with his squad into the town, routed out the remainder of the hostile troops and captured another enemy. The courageous leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant Peters materially aided in the successful accomplishment of the battalion mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

CLAUDE C. PORTER, 38104819, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. When an enemy tank attack threatened the holding position of Company **, 359th Infantry, Sergeant Porter, Light Machine Gunner, at risk of his life, advanced through heavy enemy tank fire and obtained a bazooka. He returned to a favorable position and, with accurate bazooka fire, disabled one enemy tank and assisted in the destruction of another. His courageous and aggressive action enabled the company to maintain its holding position, which aided materially in the closing of the Falaise Gap. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

ANTONIO M. ARIZOLA, 38155675, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Northen, France. During an attack on the town by a numerically superior enemy force, a squad of infantry led by Staff Sergeant Arizola became isolated

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from the remainder of the company and was subjected to a fierce assault by hostile troops. Without regard for his personal safety, Staff Sergeant Arizola quickly organized his squad, placed the men in strategic positions and encouraged them to hold their ground. So effective was his courageous leadership that the enemy assault was repelled and the company's control of the town was maintained. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ EDGAR E. BAIRD, 34142024, Staff Sergeant (Then Private), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in operations on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack troops of Company ** were pinned down by heavy enemy fire of various calibers. Staff Sergeant Baird, Automatic Rifleman, voluntarily advanced to a commanding site and placed effective automatic rifle fire upon the enemy. He held this position and contained the enemy until the counterattack was repulsed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

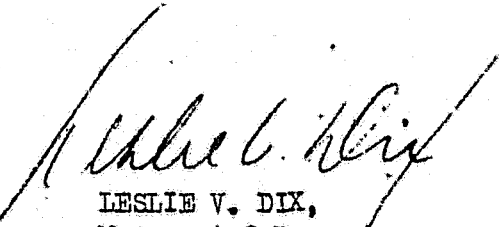
✓ JOHN W. SHORT, 36687351, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. While giving first aid to casualties in an area subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Private First Class Short was wounded. He continued to administer first aid until he was wounded a second time. Although unable to move, he directed others in the treatment of casualties until his evacuation was effected. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ SIDNEY H. SILVERMAN, 13186451, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. During an attack in which heavy casualties were sustained, Private First Class Silverman became the only aid man left to treat the wounded of Company ** and one platoon of Company **. Exposing himself constantly to the intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, he worked untiringly in treating approximately 75 casualties during the battle. His heroic service saved the lives of many wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ RAY E. DeLONG, 18193730, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany on 11 - 12 December 1944. When the shortage of ammunition and rations became critical, Private First Class DeLong, Driver, was placed in charge of a carrying party. Working ceaselessly over difficult terrain and under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, he succeeded in carrying supplies across the Saar River to a forward dump from which the supplies were easily distributed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ DANIEL E. MALLAK, 37551885, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 - 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, an enemy force threatened to overrun a forward aid station sheltering 25 casualties. Private First Class Mallak, with companions voluntarily traversed an area under heavy enemy fire of various calibers and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded men. He then served as a member of a detail which carried rations, ammunition and medical supplies to the front and aided also in the evacuation of 330 prisoners of war. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ HERBERT L. DOBBS, 38099953, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private First Class), Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 7 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the crossing of the Saar River, four men became casualties in an area subjected to intense enemy shelling. Technician Fifth Grade Dobbs, Liaison Agent, without regard for his personal safety, advanced to the position of the wounded men and evacuated them for medical treatment. The courageous action of Technician Fifth Grade Dobbs saved the life of one man and materially aided the speedy recovery of the other three. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

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I--AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to (Now Missing in Action):

✓ RAYMOND R. HEISTER, 37189100, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 35th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack on the fort, both the platoon leader and platoon sergeant became casualties. Staff Sergeant Heister, Squad Leader, though suffering from concussion, immediately assumed command of the casualty-depleted platoon, which was isolated from the rest of the company by intense enemy mortar and small arms fire. At risk of his life, he reorganized the men into an efficient fighting force and led it in the final assault on the fort. His exemplary leadership, intrepid action and devotion to duty facilitated greatly the success of the company in taking its objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓ WALTER W. OLSON, 0270928, Major, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the establishment of a beachhead across the swollen Saar River by the 358th Infantry, Major Olson, Regimental Supply Officer, at risk of his life, made personal foot reconnaissance along the river banks. Despite intense enemy fire, he determined the best routes of supply. He then organized carrying parties to transport the urgently-needed supplies across a foot bridge to the fighting elements. When heavy enemy artillery fire rendered the bridge unserviceable and covered the original landing site with a heavy barrage, Major Olson moved the supplies several hundred yards up stream and, with amphibious landing craft, succeeded in ferrying the vital supplies across the river to the assault forces. His courageous action aided materially the success of the mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

✓ JOHN F. FRANKOVICH, 33404881, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When the battalion's rear command post was informed that the assault companies were in dire need of supplies, Private First Class Frankovich, Ammunition Bearer, voluntarily and at risk of his life, led a supply

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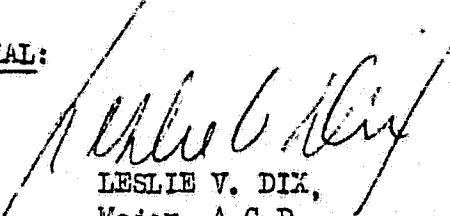
party to a bank of the Saar River. Prior to embarking, Private First Class Frankovich was wounded severely when subjected to a heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms barrage. Fully aware of the acute need for supplies by the forward elements, he refused evacuation and proceeded to reorganize the supply detail. Not until he was assured of the successful transportation of the necessary items to the front line troops did he consent to evacuation. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ VINCENT W. FIBER, 35235363, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Upon observing that the rifle platoon which he was supporting was trapped by intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Private First Class Fiber, Machine Gunner, proceeded at risk of his life to a position from which he neutralized the enemy activity. When further enemy fire from a nearby building impeded the platoon's progress, he advanced and, firing his machine gun from the hip, killed at least 3 of the enemy, which permitted the platoon to capture the remaining ten occupants of the building. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓RALPH B. MERRICK, 0391391, Captain, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. While engaged in operations following the crossing of the Moselle River, Captain Merrick, Company Commander, guided his company across an open field subjected to heavy enemy shellfire to the base of an enemy-held hill. At risk of his life and in the face of intense enemy fire of various calibers, he led the troops in an advance up the slope of the hill to a sheltered position fifteen yards from enemy barbed-wire entrenchments. While reinforcements harassed the enemy's flank, Captain Merrick led his company in a frontal assault on the enemy fortifications, penetrated the barbed-wire entanglements and destroyed the numerically superior enemy force. His intrepid and aggressive leadership aided materially his company in the attainment of its objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓DORREL E. GILMORE, 01319999, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While leading six men on the hazardous mission of placing and detonating explosive charges at the entrance to an enemy pillbox, Second Lieutenant Gilmore, Platoon Leader, was wounded seriously by enemy artillery fire. Despite the severity of his wound, he advanced to the pillbox and personally placed the charges that destroyed the installation and killed its occupants. Not until he had reported the successful completion of his mission did he permit himself to be evacuated for medical treatment. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

✓BERNARD G. BURKE, 37156318, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. Subsequent to the crossing of the Moselle River, the advance of Company * * was temporarily impeded by enemy machine gun fire. Technical Sergeant Burke, Platoon Sergeant, without regard for his own safety,

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personally led the four squads which had been pinned down through the intense fire to a position of safety. He then, at risk of his life, advanced with four men and destroyed the enemy machine gun installation. The courageous leadership displayed by Technical Sergeant Burke aided materially in the successful accomplishment of the company's mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

✓ IRVIN J. MAGNUSON, 17050608, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During the attack on a slag pile northwest of the town, Technical Sergeant Magnuson's platoon was given the mission of holding a forward outpost. Despite the intense enemy artillery fire directed at the outpost, Technical Sergeant Magnuson maintained communications with the rest of the battalion by personally repairing the lines which were repeatedly severed by enemy shelling. He also evacuated a wounded man to the rear and obtained urgently-needed ammunition. His gallantry enabled the platoon to hold its position and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR---. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ THOMAS H. MacDONALD, 01325095, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in operations on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Inglise, France. While the platoon contacted an adjacent regiment and established a road block near the town, Second Lieutenant MacDonald, Platoon Leader, led a patrol into the town in search of friendly troops. Instead, he encountered enemy soldiers, killed one, obtained valuable information relative to their number and location and returned to his platoon without a casualty. His courageous action enabled the artillery to place accurate fire upon the enemy and allowed the troops to advance over a more secure route. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

✓ WALTER C. WILHELM, 37172677, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of Foret de Mont Carre, France. During an attack of Company **, 357th Infantry, enemy machine gun fire temporarily impeded its advance. Private First Class Wilhelm, Platoon Runner, when his radio became inoperative, returned under enemy fire to the command post and directed effective mortar fire to destroy the machine gun and permit the resumption of the attack. His heroic service enabled the company to advance and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ LAWRENCE C. KLANG, 37173439, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an attack on the town, Company **, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy enemy tank and machine gun fire. Technical Sergeant Klang, Platoon Sergeant, at risk of his life, traversed areas under intense enemy fire while leading the assault against the enemy position. His courageous leadership inspired unusual individual aggressiveness and won the complete confidence of the men under his command. Though mortally wounded during the attack, his intrepid action aided materially in the curtailment of enemy movements and averted the possibility of numerous casualties from enemy fire. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

✓ GORDON O. HAYES, 0541880, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When the advance of Company **, 359th Infantry, was impeded by fire from an enemy pillbox, First Lieutenant Hayes, Machine Gun Platoon Leader, at risk of his life, advanced toward the pillbox under cover of friendly tank fire. Upon reaching the fortification, he demanded the capitulation of its occupants and 40 of the enemy surrendered to him. First Lieutenant Hayes' intrepid action was instrumental in establishing contact between battalions and enabled the regiment to build a secure line to repulse numerous enemy counter-attacks. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

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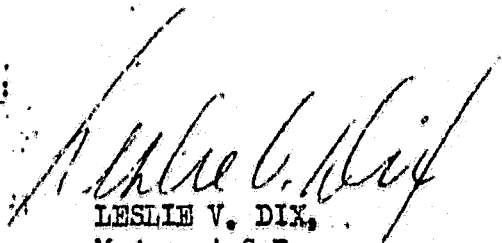
✓ ROY L. SMITH, 01293140, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. During the advance of Company **, 359th Infantry, an enemy counterattack developed and two companies of enemy infantry, supported by two tanks, encircled and by-passed the position of First Lieutenant Smith, Company Commander. He skillfully reorganized the company into an efficient fighting force and, by his fearless leadership, so inspired the men under his command that the counterattack was repelled and the enemy force destroyed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

✓ JOSEPH L. SLAY, 34783734, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 8 - 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Enemy machine gun and sniper fire harassed the route of supply between a machine gun platoon and Company **, 359th Infantry. Private First Class Slay, Platoon Messenger, voluntarily led carrying parties to the gun emplacements under cover of darkness and supplied the men with food and ammunition. During the day, he traversed these areas unescorted and supplied them with water. Private First Class Slay was later wounded and evacuated while in the prosecution of this dangerous mission, but the courage he displayed was an inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

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CHARLES D. UNDERWOOD, 01035387, Captain, Chemical Warfare Service, 161st Chemical Smoke Generator Company, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 6 - 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the crossing of the Saar River by the 90th Infantry Division, it became necessary to conceal the movements of the Division by smoke screens. In order to overcome the obstacles of constant wind changes, Captain Underwood, Company Commander, proceeded from one generator section to another to ascertain their effectiveness in producing maximum smoke coverage. When a sudden change in the wind exposed the Division's crossing site to enemy observation, Captain Underwood with two men, at risk of his life, advanced under heavy enemy artillery fire to the vicinity of the site area and propagated a protective smoke screen by means of generators. His courageous and aggressive action contributed immeasurably to the Division's successful crossing of the river. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

WALTER J. McDOWELL, 01035939, First Lieutenant, Chemical Warfare Service, 161st Chemical Smoke Generator Company, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 10 - 22 December 1944. During the crossing of the Saar River by the 90th Infantry Division, despite constant enemy artillery and small arms fire, First Lieutenant McDowell, Operations Officer, supervised the installation and operation of smoke generators with cool courage and efficiency. His heroic service was a material factor in the success of the Division's river crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

HARRY E. RANDALL, 33116804, First Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, 81st Chemical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 5 - 22 December 1944. During the crossing of the Saar River, Company **, 81st Chemical Battalion, was assigned the mission of concealing the movements of the 358th Infantry by means of a smoke screen. Despite obstacles of supply, terrain and enemy fire, First Sergeant Randall kept the smoke mortars in continuous action. His heroic service

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guaranteed the success of the river crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

1. WALTER R. YOUNG, 35266057, Staff Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, 81st Chemical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 5 - 22 December 1944. During the crossing of the Saar River, Company * *, 81st Chemical Battalion, was assigned the mission of concealing the movements of the 358th Infantry by means of a smoke screen. Despite obstacles of supply, terrain and enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Young kept the smoke mortars in continuous action. His heroic service guaranteed the success of the river crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

VICTOR CENICOLA, 32305306, Staff Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, 81st Chemical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 5 - 22 December 1944. During the crossing of the Saar River, Company * *, 81st Chemical Battalion, was assigned the mission of concealing the movements of the 358th Infantry by means of a smoke screen. Despite obstacles of supply, terrain and enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Cenicola kept the smoke mortars in continuous action. His heroic service guaranteed the success of the river crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

LAWRENCE W. GOINS, 34733367, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an enemy counter-attack on the town, the radio of a forward observation party was rendered inoperative by enemy shell fragments. Private First Class Goins, Wireman, at risk of his life, traversed an area which was subjected to intense enemy fire of various calibers to establish a wire line from the observation post to the battalion command post. Though painfully wounded in the leg by enemy sniper fire when only 50 yards from his destination, Private First Class Goins crawled with the wire the remainder of the distance and completed communications, which materially aided in repelling the enemy counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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| AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR | SECTION I |
| AWARD OF SILVER STAR | SECTION II |
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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

Revoked by G.O. # 78 - 1 Feb. 45
FRANK G. SPIESS, 0266094, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 9 - 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Koenigsmacker, France. During the period of repeated abortive attempts to bridge the Moselle River at high flood, and during a succession of vicious counterattacks by the enemy immediately prior to the ultimately successful bridging operation, the support of self-propelled guns was of primary importance. Lieutenant Colonel Spiess, heedless of heavy enemy artillery fire and of the dangerous road conditions resulting from the flood, constantly supervised and directed the supporting fires of his command. His personal presence and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the officers and men of the battalion. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

II--AWARD OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to:

ALVIN I. SCHEEPS, 0295062, Lieutenant Colonel, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action during the period 7 - 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of Wallerfangen, Germany. During establishment and maintenance of the Division beachhead east of the Saar River, concealment of the operation by employment of smoke was of primary importance. Lieutenant Colonel Scheeps personally supervised and directed the maintenance of an adequate smoke screen. Without regard for his own safety, he visited the sites of generators advising and encouraging personnel under enemy artillery and small arms fire. He frequently traversed the shorelines in order to verify the adequacy of the screens' density. His gallantry and devotion to duty contributed materially to the success of the operation and were in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

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** Referred by G.O. # 145 - 17 Feb 45*
✓ JULIAN H. GEORGE, 08421, Colonel, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 6 - 22 December 1944, Colonel George distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Commanding Officer, 357th Infantry, in the Saar River crossing, he early established and maintained his command post on the eastern shore under the close-range enemy fire which characterized the operation. The example of his cool leadership was a material contribution to the success of the operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

✓ JOSEPH M. TULLY, 04464, Colonel, Cavalry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 6 - 22 December 1944, Colonel Tully distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Assistant Division Commander, his personal presence at crossing sites on the Saar River and with leading elements of the Division on the east bank; his leadership, advice and encouragement of officers and men under enemy fire, and his devotion to duty contributed materially to the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ GEORGE B. RANDOLPH, 0227591, Lieutenant Colonel, Cavalry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 6 - 22 December 1944, Lieutenant Colonel Randolph distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Commanding Officer, 712th Tank Battalion, in support of the Saar River crossing, his personal direction and supervision of the movement, positioning, ferrying and firing problems which arose, and the example of his cool leadership under heavy enemy fire, contributed materially to the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

✓ BEO W. REGER, 0240535, Lieutenant Colonel, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 6 - 22 December 1944, Lieutenant Colonel Reger distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. As Commanding Officer, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, in support of the Saar River crossing, his personal supervision of the positioning and firing problems and the example of his cool leadership under enemy fire contributed materially to the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

ROBERT C. McCOMBES, 32251794, Sergeant, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzback, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant McCombes, Operations Sergeant, while exposed to heavy enemy fire, assisted in concealing the movements of the Division by smoke screens. When a sudden change in wind direction exposed a vital road used by friendly troops and vehicles, Sergeant McCombes, without regard for his personal safety, moved up and down the road, and propagated a protective smoke screen by means of smoke pots. His courageous action enabled supply vehicles to reach front line units unimpeded by enemy shelling. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

✓ MELIX W. CURTIS, O1175089, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic services in support of operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 to 11 November 1944. After laying communication lines across the Moselle River, First Lieutenant Curtis, Artillery Forward Observer, traversed areas subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire and transmitted fire data that aided materially in repelling the enemy forces. Carrying his radio and equipment over difficult terrain under constant enemy fire, he worked day and night in making a major contribution to the success of the 90th Infantry Division's bridgehead operations. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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| AWARD OF BRONZE STAR----- | II |

I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JOHN J. KELLY, 0443969, Captain, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France and Germany from 9 November to 19 December 1944. Captain Kelly distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Company Commander. On many occasions, he personally made reconnaissances while subjected to intense enemy fire of all calibers to locate strategic gun positions. During the Moselle and Saar River operations, he led his company in a skilful and courageous manner and supervised the adjustment of accurate fire upon the enemy. The inspiring leadership and aggressive action displayed by Captain Kelly contributed materially to the effective support of the infantry and to the successful accomplishment of his company's combat missions. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

WILLIAM B. PATERSON, 0304879, Captain, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France and Germany, during the period 9 November to 19 December 1944. Captain Paterson distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Company Commander. On several occasions, he personally made reconnaissances while subjected to intense enemy fire of all calibers to locate strategic gun positions. During the Moselle and Saar River operations, he led his company in a skilful and courageous manner, constantly proceeding to the front line platoons to spearhead the advance. The inspiring leadership and aggressive action displayed by Captain Paterson contributed to the successful accomplishment of his company's combat missions. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

WILTON J. RICHARD, 0415804, Captain, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion (Self-Propelled), United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France and Germany from 9 November to 19 December 1944. Captain Richard distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Company Commander. During the Crossing of the Moselle River, he personally directed the destruction of three enemy pillboxes which

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were impeding the advance of the infantry. Later, while the establishment of a bridgehead on the Saar River was in its early stages, he led his company across the river through intense enemy fire with a minimum of casualties. The courageous leadership and aggressive action displayed by Captain Richard contributed materially to the success of the two river operations. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

MEREDITH C. ELY, 12095259, Sergeant, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 13 and 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, the shortage of rations and ammunition on the far shore became critical. Sergeant Ely, Ammunition Sergeant, and his driver, volunteered to deliver the vital supplies. Sergeant Ely, without regard for his personal safety, guided his heavily-loaded truck through the blackout and under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to the front lines. Later, working under continuous enemy fire, he established an ammunition dump and helped shuttle supplies across the river and evacuate casualties to the rear. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

PETER B. MESSINGER, 15115311, Technician Fifth Grade (then private first class), 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 13 and 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, the shortage of rations and ammunition on the far shore became critical. Technician Fifth Grade Messinger, Truck Driver, volunteered to deliver the vital supplies. With the guidance of a companion, he drove his heavily-loaded truck through the blackout and under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to the front lines. Later, working under continuous enemy fire, he helped shuttle supplies across the river and evacuate casualties to the rear. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

STEPHEN F. NIEMIROSKI, 20133634, Private First Class (then private), Medical Department, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Private First Class Niemiroski, Aid Man, received orders to evacuate his $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle to the rear. Approximately 500 yards from the Saar River ferry site, the vehicle became imbedded in the mud. Despite the intense concentration of enemy fire, he remained near his vehicle performing medical duties until help arrived to tow his vehicle to the river bank. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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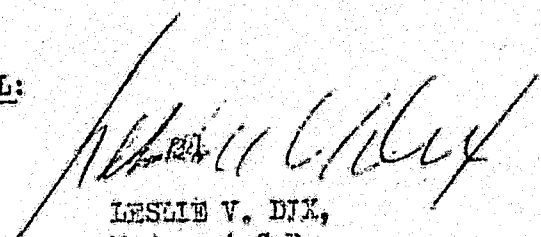
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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

LAWRENCE W. LILLY, 38099337, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 October 1944 in the vicinity of Verneville, France. While holding a defensive position in the vicinity of the town, Company **, 359th Infantry, was subjected to a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage. Staff Sergeant Lilly, Section Leader, voluntarily and at risk of his life, left a position of safety and personally reconnoitered areas subjected to direct enemy fire to locate a site which would afford a better field of fire for a machine gun. Though Staff Sergeant Lilly was mortally wounded while in the prosecution of this hazardous mission, the courage and devotion to duty he displayed was a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

II--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

LAWRENCE G. SPEED, 37155121, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations during the period 9 - 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Buren, Germany. As Ammunition Pioneer Platoon Sergeant, he led a ration and ammunition carrying party across the Saar River, through a strong enemy patrol and succeeded in supplying the rifle companies. While assisting in another carrying party of fourteen men, an intense artillery concentration wounded ten of the men. Without regard for his personal safety, Technical Sergeant Speed, subjected himself to the continued barrage and evacuated the casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

OSCAR R. TETRAULT, 37171478, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, when a platoon leader became a casualty, Technical Sergeant Tetrault, Squad Leader, assumed command. Despite intense enemy fire of all calibers, he quickly coordinated the disorganized platoon and, without regard for his personal safety, led it in an assault upon the enemy's position. So inspiring was his courageous leadership that the objective was

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quickly reached. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

NORMAN H. O'NEILL, 33039753, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy artillery and mortar barrage, Company * *, 359th Infantry, suffered several casualties. Private First Class O'Neill, Aid Man, though unable to walk as a result of severe bodily cramps, crawled to the wounded men and administered first aid. Later, he was assisted to the town and, despite his illness, set up a collecting station and cared for the wounded until they were evacuated. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

RALPH RININGER, 33259816, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Worthen, France. During an enemy counterattack in the town, Private First Class Rininger, Ammunition Bearer, made repeated trips through areas subjected to intense enemy fire and kept a machine gun section supplied with ammunition until the enemy attack was repulsed. Although Private First Class Rininger was later mortally wounded, the courageous action he displayed was a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

IV--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

EUGENE W. LARSON, 37155331, Technical Sergeant, (then staff sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack, a platoon leader was wounded. Technical Sergeant Larson, Squad Leader, immediately assumed command. Without regard for his personal safety, he advanced from man to man, through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, to encourage the platoon and keep it intact. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

DAVID J. RICHARDSON, 37156593, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, a platoon leader became a casualty in an area which was subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire. Technical Sergeant Richardson, Platoon Sergeant, without regard for his personal safety, advanced to the position of the wounded officer, gave him first aid and, with assistance, evacuated him for further medical treatment. The heroic service of Technical Sergeant Richardson was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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HILGER W. SCHACHER, 37256182, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack Technical Sergeant Schacher exposed himself to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire in order to move from man to man, inspiring individual aggressiveness and directing fire. Although wounded twice in this action, he refused to be evacuated until he ascertained that his platoon was in an effective defensive position. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

E. L. SCHMIDT, 18030627, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack, Technical Sergeant Schmidt, Platoon Sergeant, and a companion killed an enemy infantryman who was armed with a machine gun. When his ammunition was expended, he and his comrade fired on the enemy with the captured gun and killed 25 of them before moving to a more favorable position. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

DARRYL SIDES, 38146742, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During a heavy enemy counterattack, Technical Sergeant Sides, Squad Leader, and a companion killed an enemy infantryman who was armed with a machine gun. When his ammunition was expended, he and his comrade fired on the enemy with the captured gun and killed 25 of them before moving to a more favorable position. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

EMILIAN J. OUELLETTE, 33446377, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 9 - 21 December 1944, Technical Sergeant Ouellette distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Platoon Sergeant. During the Saar River operation, Technical Sergeant Ouellette subjected himself to heavy enemy shellfire, met supply carrying parties at the river and directed them to the battalion's supply dump. He supervised his squad in the evacuation of casualties and in handling and distributing ammunition, supplies and rations to the various units and, at times, he crossed the river by boat to obtain necessary items for the troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

PETER J. BOSCO, 31381225, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of Verneville, France. While on a patrol, an officer of Company **, 359th Infantry, was seriously wounded. Staff Sergeant Bosco, Squad Leader, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy enemy fire of various calibers and reached the wounded officer. He administered first aid and, with the aid of a companion, evacuated the officer to a place of comparative safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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SYLVESTER M. GARZNSKI, 36887868, Staff Sergeant, (then private first class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Northen, France. During an enemy counter-attack in the town, Staff Sergeant Garznski, Machine Gunner, disregarded the intense enemy fire, emplaced a machine gun in full view of the foe, and, with accurate fire, wrought great destruction on the enemy's equipment and personnel. His heroic achievement aided materially in repulsing the enemy attack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

HENRY M. HOPKINS, 37107524, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack, Staff Sergeant Hopkins exposed himself to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire in order to reorganize his section and direct fire against the enemy. When casualties were sustained, he advanced through direct enemy machine gun fire and gave first aid to the wounded. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

RUSSELL D. HUTCHISON, 20511478, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an enemy counterattack, the ammunition supply of the regimental security guards became critically depleted and the route to the ammunition dump was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Staff Sergeant Hutchison, Acting Platoon Sergeant, voluntarily advanced over the hazardous route and, despite continued enemy fire, returned with urgently-needed ammunition. His courageous action was a material factor in the repelling of the enemy counterattack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

JOSEPH P. ORBAN, 33135293, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 August 1944 in the vicinity of Fougy, France. While leading a patrol behind enemy lines to obtain information for an anticipated attack, Staff Sergeant Orban guided the patrol through heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire. He, without regard for his personal safety, moved in advance of the patrol, located a secure position, then signalled the men forward. Staff Sergeant Orban completed the hazardous mission and the information he furnished aided materially the company's successful attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM CHAMNESS, 36779960, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Northen, France. During an enemy counterattack in the town, a machine gun section suffered several casualties. Sergeant Chamness, Machine Gunner, disregarded the intense enemy fire and, with the aid of a companion, evacuated the wounded to an area of comparative safety. He then returned to the machine gun and assisted in delivering effective fire until the enemy attack was repulsed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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WESLEY O. HELM, 36763335, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 9 - 21 December 1944, Sergeant Helm distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Squad Leader. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant Helm subjected himself to heavy enemy shellfire, met supply carrying parties at the river and directed them to the battalion's supply dump. He supervised his squad in the evacuation of casualties and in handling and distributing ammunition, supplies and rations to the various units and, at times, he crossed the river by boat to obtain necessary items for the troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

WILLIAM E. HENDERSON, 37156461, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Buren, Germany. During a fierce enemy counterattack, Sergeant Henderson, Ammunition Pioneer Squad Leader, secured critically needed ammunition from the dead and wounded while under heavy enemy fire of various calibers. With the help of his squad, he distributed the ammunition where it was needed the most. By his initiative, Sergeant Henderson enabled the rifle units to hold their newly-won ground until supplies could be brought up. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

MICHAEL E. IANNAONE, 20111096, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 9 - 21 December 1944, Sergeant Iannaone distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Squad Leader. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant Iannaone, subjected himself to heavy enemy shellfire, met supply carrying parties at the river and directed them to the battalion's supply dump. He supervised his squad in the evacuation of casualties and in handling and distributing ammunition, supplies and rations to the various units and, at times, he crossed the river by boat to obtain necessary items for the troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

BERNARD R. KENNEDY, 37516060, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack on the town, Company **, 359th Infantry, was divided into three groups and each group assigned a separate mission. Throughout the assault, Sergeant Kennedy, Communication Sergeant, despite intense enemy fire, kept the Battalion Commander informed of the situation. His courageous and tireless efforts contributed materially to the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

JOHN J. LAKOMIAK, 36831253, Sergeant, (then private first class), Infantry 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When a machine gun platoon was subjected to an intense enemy artillery barrage, contact with the platoon leader was lost and casualties were inflicted. Sergeant Lakomiak, Squad Leader, assumed command of the rest of the men and led them to a more tenable position. He then returned

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under heavy enemy artillery and sniper fire to retrieve the machine guns. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

LLOYD C. QUALLS, 39696619, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Qualls exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to move among the members of his squad, directing their fire. When the position was overrun by the enemy, Sergeant Qualls covered his squad's withdrawal until he was captured. An hour later, he took advantage of an artillery barrage to escape, taking his former captor along with him as his prisoner. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

EDWARD F. SKIZIWARZ, 31149222 (then private first class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack to drive the enemy from a patch of woods, the advance of a rifle platoon was impeded by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Sergeant Skizwarz, Scout, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced through the intense enemy fire with two companions and succeeded in neutralizing the enemy fire. His courageous action contributed to the killing and wounding of 40 enemy and enabled the platoon to move forward. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Rhode Island.

EARL H. ADAMS, 20410725, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. Upon observing an officer lying wounded in a position only 30 yards from an enemy pillbox, Technician Fifth Grade Adams, Aid Man, volunteered to evacuate him. Without regard for his personal safety, he, with two companions, advanced 75 yards through intense enemy machine gun fire and carried the officer to a place of safety. Technician Fifth Grade Adams' heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

WALTER C. BRAUNE, 38094363, Technician Fifth Grade (then private), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the development of a bridgehead on the Saar River, Technician Fifth Grade Braune, Field Lineman, assisted in the establishment and maintenance of wire communication lines across the flooded river. The heroic service which he performed, while subjected to intense enemy shelling, contributed materially to the success of the Saar River operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

DEWEY R. ERWIN, 38147038, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 August 1944 in the vicinity of Le Bourg St. Leonard, France. When a heavy enemy artillery barrage half-buried Technician Fifth Grade Erwin's $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle, he was forced to temporarily abandon it. Later, when the battalion launched an attack, Technician Fifth Grade Erwin, voluntarily and without regard for his personal

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safety, returned to retrieve the vehicle while subjected to heavy enemy fire. Technician Fifth Grade Erwin then transported casualties to an aid station. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

PETER YOGHUM, 32555495, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Auntings, France. Upon observing an officer lying wounded in a position only 30 yards from an enemy pillbox, Technician Fifth Grade Yochum, Aid Man, volunteered to evacuate him. Without regard for his personal safety, he, with two companions, advanced 75 yards through intense enemy machine gun fire and carried the officer to a place of safety. Technician Fifth Grade Yochum's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

RAYMOND L. BITTNER, 42009524, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. After Private First Class Bittner, Machine Gunner, and three companions were slightly wounded during an enemy artillery barrage, they were taken prisoner while en route to the aid station and held captive in an enemy pillbox. The efforts of the company to force an entrance and effect rescue proved futile. Private First Class Bittner persuaded his captors to surrender and emerged from the enemy fortification with one officer and ten enlisted men as prisoners. His coolness and calm courage under most trying circumstances enabled the company to occupy the fortification. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

HENRY M. BRUNNER, 42003076, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Northen, France. During an enemy counterattack in the town, Private First Class Brunner, Ammunition Bearer, made repeated trips through areas subjected to intense enemy fire and kept a machine gun section supplied with ammunition until the enemy attack was repulsed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

DONALD K. GILMORE, 33710675, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. After Private First Class Gilmore, Rifleman, and three companions were slightly wounded during an enemy artillery barrage, they were taken prisoner while en route to the aid station and held captive in an enemy pillbox. The efforts of the company to force an entrance and effect rescue proved futile. Private First Class Gilmore persuaded his captors to surrender and emerged from the enemy fortification with one officer and ten enlisted men as prisoners. His coolness and calm courage under most trying circumstances enabled the company to occupy the fortification. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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GEORGE P. GUINS, 38487497, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While Private First Class Guins was leading two litter teams carrying casualties to an aid station, a booby trap exploded, wounding four of the litter bearers. Private First Class Guins directed the remaining litter bearers to the aid station. He remained with the wounded, administered first aid and personally carried three of them 150 yards through heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to a place of safety. He then obtained and directed two new litter teams in the evacuation of the four casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

CLIFTON C. HARBOUR, 38147088, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack to drive the enemy from a patch of woods, the advance of a rifle platoon was impeded by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Private First Class Harbour, Automatic Rifleman, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced through the intense enemy fire with two companions and succeeded in neutralizing the enemy. His courageous action contributed to the killing and wounding of 40 enemy and enabled the platoon to move forward. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

ARTHUR L. HERZBERG, 36686444, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack to drive the enemy from a patch of woods, the advance of a rifle platoon was impeded by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Private First Class Herzberg, Scout, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced through the intense enemy fire with two companions and succeeded in neutralizing the enemy fire. His courageous action contributed to the killing and wounding of 40 enemy and enabled the platoon to move forward. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

WALLACE E. LUCAS, 35872368, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Conde Northen, France. During an enemy counterattack in the town, a machine gun section suffered several casualties. Private First Class Lucas, Machine Gunner, disregarded the intense enemy fire and, with the aid of a companion, evacuated the wounded to an area of comparative safety. He then returned to the machine gun and assisted in delivering effective fire until the enemy attack was repulsed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

RUDOLPH M. LUNA, 39417630, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack, Private First Class Luna worked under constant enemy artillery and mortar fire to treat casualties in the platoon to which he was attached as Aid Man. When a nearby platoon sustained heavy casualties, Private First Class Luna crossed and recrossed areas subjected to intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire in order to administer

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first aid to all wounded in the adjacent platoon, as well as his assigned unit. His heroic service saved many lives and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

RURIE W. MADISON, 38104406, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the crossing of the Saar River, Private First Class Madison, Field Lineman, without regard for his personal safety and despite intense enemy shelling, assisted in the establishment and maintenance of a traffic control line from the Regimental Command Post to the bank of the river. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Saar River operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

PAUL B. MAHAN, 37190214, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 7 July 1944 in the vicinity of La Ville, France. Enemy artillery fire cut the wire line between the First Battalion observation post and the command post. Private First Class Mahan voluntarily made two round trips, 1500 yards each, into an area known to contain enemy troops to locate and repair the breaks. While on this mission, he was continually subjected to enemy rifle, machine gun and artillery fire. By his courageous action, Private First Class Mahan restored vitally-needed communications. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

THOMAS P. O'CONNELL, 36384815, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the development of a bridgehead on the Saar River, Private First Class O'Connell, Field Lineman, assisted in the establishment and maintenance of wire communication lines across the flooded river. The heroic service which he performed, while subjected to intense enemy shelling, contributed materially to the success of the Saar River operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

THOMAS S. PRESNELL, 34735594, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. After Private First Class Presnell, Rifleman, and three companions were slightly wounded during an enemy artillery barrage, they were taken prisoner while en route to the aid station and held captive in an enemy pillbox. The efforts of the company to force an entrance and effect rescue proved futile. Private First Class Presnell persuaded his captors to surrender and emerged from the enemy fortification with one officer and ten enlisted men as prisoners. His coolness and calm courage under most trying circumstances enabled the company to occupy the fortification. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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LOUIS A. TIESO, 33795408, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an enemy counterattack on the town, a member of the Regimental Security Guard, manning a strategically located machine gun, expended all his ammunition. Upon becoming apprised of this situation, Private First Class Tieso, Rifleman, without regard for his own safety, voluntarily advanced with ammunition through intense enemy machine gun and close range tank fire to the friendly machine gun position. His heroic service in replenishing the ammunition supply aided materially in repelling the enemy counterattack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ ERVIN H. WHITLEY, 20846162, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When front line troops of an infantry battalion were in need of rations and ammunition, Private First Class Whitley, Driver, voluntarily drove a vehicle on repeated trips through areas subjected to intense enemy fire and delivered the vital supplies. His heroic achievement contributed greatly to combat efficiency of the battalion and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

GILMAN F. DUNN, 31352637, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, Private Dunn sustained a painful shrapnel wound in his hip. Cognizant that the numerically-superior enemy was threatening a counterattack, he declined evacuation and remained at his post to man an automatic weapon. The courageous determination displayed by Private Dunn was inspirational to his comrades and contributed to the successful accomplishment of his platoon's mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maine.

STANLEY S. HOROWITZ, 12218210, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. When enemy artillery fire killed the officers of a battalion carrying party, Private Horowitz, Radio Operator, remained at his post. Despite intense enemy fire, he contacted the battalion command post by radio and informed them of the situation. Then, after receiving necessary instructions, he reorganized the party and completed the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

OSCAR E. MILLER, 36784490, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fachten, Germany. After Private Miller, Rifleman, and three companions were slightly wounded during an enemy artillery barrage, they were taken prisoner while en route to the aid station and held captive in an enemy pillbox. The efforts of the company to force an entrance and effect rescue proved futile. Private Miller persuaded his captors to surrender and emerged from the enemy fortification with one officer and ten enlisted men as prisoners. His coolness and calm courage under most trying circumstances enabled the company to occupy the fortification. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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DEIBERT A. POINDEXTER, 3541539, Private, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. Upon observing an officer lying wounded in a position only 30 yards from an enemy pillbox, Private Poindexter, Aid Man, volunteered to evacuate him. Without regard for his personal safety, he, with two companions, advanced 75 yards through intense enemy machine gun fire and carried the officer to a place of safety. Private Poindexter's heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

GEORGE RUSSELL, 19000825, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Machern, Germany. During an attack on enemy installations across the Saar River, a heavy machine gun platoon was subjected to enemy fire. Despite the intensity of the enemy barrage, Private Russell, Ammunition Bearer, made regular inspection of the machine guns and kept them in operating condition. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

TALMADGE VANDERPOOL, 35769413, Private, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 19 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. During the closing of the Falaise Gap, 200 enemy casualties were discovered in an abandoned enemy aid station. Private Vanderpool, Battalion Aid Man, assisted by an enemy aid man, evacuated all the casualties, despite intense artillery and mortar fire, to a position of safety one-half mile distant. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

ERVEN A. ZUEHLKE, 36886208, Private, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of Verneville, France. While on a patrol, an officer of Company **, 359th Infantry, was seriously wounded. Private Zuehlke, Aid Man, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy enemy fire of various calibers and reached the wounded officer. He administered first aid and, with the aid of a companion, evacuated the officer to a place of comparative safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

CHARLES A. ESCH, 01288032, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 28 July to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Washington.

DOMINIC A. FINAMORE, 35587436, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

MARK C. ENGLISH, 18103394, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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REINO T. JOKINEN, 37173619, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 24 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

EARL A. MacDONALD, 37173461, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

WALTER OPASKA, 33412504, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the periods 6 - 14 June 1944 and 14 November to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

HERBERT BOHNET, 37156333, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

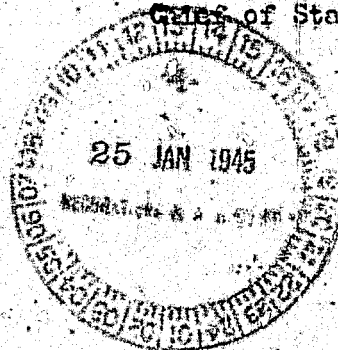
HUBERT A. GOVERN, 37190328, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 6 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-leaf Cluster is awarded to:

TRAMMELL C. KEEN, JR., O1173672, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Saar River, First Lieutenant Keen, Assistant Communications Officer, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, supervised the establishment of urgently-needed communication lines between the liaison officer and the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

MRS. EDITH C. GRAN, 37154971, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Saar River, Staff Sergeant Gran, Field Wire Chief, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat with other members of the communications party and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-needed communication lines between the liaison officer and the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

III--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

THOMAS E. ANDREWS, 19070714, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack, a communications line was severed by enemy artillery fire. Corporal Andrews, Wireman and Telephone Operator, traversed areas subjected to the intense enemy fire and succeeded in repairing the wire line. Although he was wounded severely in this action, the successful completion of his mission enabled the forward observer to direct artillery fire which destroyed key enemy emplacements. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military

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III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 603-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

MYREL O. MATTHEWS, 0360319, Captain, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Moselle River, Captain Matthews, Communications Officer, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, supervised the establishment of urgently-needed communication lines between the liaison officers and the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

TRAMMELL C. KEEN, JR., 01173672, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 July 1944 in the vicinity of Lithaire, France. During a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, First Lieutenant Keen, Assistant Communications Officer, led a wire crew through the shelled area and laid a line from the artillery's forward switchboard to the engineer battalion's observation post. He selected a different route of return and laid a second line back to the forward switchboard and established urgently-needed communications. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

LEON J. LISECKI, 01172527, First Lieutenant (then second lieutenant), Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Mey, France. On 11 July 1944, First Lieutenant Lisecki distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. During the attack on the town, First Lieutenant Lisecki, Forward Observer, remained at an exposed observation post, while subjected to intense enemy artillery shelling, and directed effective artillery fire upon the enemy. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

LEO J. CROSS, 01175677; Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the attack, the advance of Company *, * * Infantry, was impeded by heavy fire from enemy mortars, machine guns and a dug-in tank. Second Lieutenant Cross, Reconnaissance Survey Officer, moved forward under the intense enemy barrage and adjusted accurate artillery fire which silenced the enemy and destroyed the tank. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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RAYMOND C. PATER, JR., 0525747, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 19 August 1944 in the vicinity of Uzanbois, France. During the closing of an enemy escape route, an enemy column penetrated a road block and threatened to overrun defensive positions. Second Lieutenant Pater, Reconnaissance Survey Officer, without regard for his personal safety, advanced through heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire and transmitted such accurate fire data that the artillery was able to destroy numerous enemy vehicles. His heroic achievement denied the escape route to the enemy and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

ROY E. ROBIDUE, 01181093, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 23 July 1944 in the vicinity of Lithaire, France. When enemy mortar and machine gun fire impeded the advance of Company *, ** Infantry, on enemy paratroop positions, Second Lieutenant Robidue, Reconnaissance Survey Officer, established an observation post and adjusted accurate artillery fire upon the enemy. Though wounded by enemy mortar fire, he refused evacuation until he was properly relieved. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Hampshire.

JOHN G. TUCKER, 3808001, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Mairy, France. When an enemy armored column attacked the town, Staff Sergeant Tucker, Mess Sergeant, obtained a bazooka, received hasty instructions on the operation of the weapon and advanced toward the steadily-approaching enemy. With an enemy half-track vehicle only 30 yards away, Staff Sergeant Tucker fired his first shot and scored a direct hit, immobilizing the vehicle and setting it ablaze. His heroic achievement with an unfamiliar weapon was inspirational to all who witnessed it and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JUAN J. ABNEYTA, 38103809, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fachten, Germany. An infantry regiment was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. Sergeant Abeyta, Radio Operator, realizing the forward observer for the support artillery was without communication, advanced to the observation post through intense enemy fire with a radio and established communication with the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated adjustment of observed fire, which silenced the enemy guns, and aided materially in the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

HEROLD F. GEMAR, 39603724, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Mairy, France. While occupying the town, * * Battery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, was attacked by an enemy armored unit. Sergeant Gemar, Transportation Sergeant, fully cognizant of the danger involved, advanced in direct view of the nearest enemy tank, loaded a bazooka, fired three rockets accurately at the approaching vehicles and disabled a tank and a half-track. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Montana.

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ELTON E. BLAKE, 39017581, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen and Pachten, Germany. When enemy artillery fire severed vital wire communications, Corporal Blake, Scout, and a companion, advanced through the concentrated enemy barrage and repaired the breaks in the line. Later, phosphorous mortar fire repeatedly disrupted the lines. Corporal Blake, without regard for his personal safety, remained in an exposed position with his companion and maintained the communications. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

ARTHUR L. JOHNSON, 34434984, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Saar River, Technician Fifth Grade Johnson, Telephone Operator, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat with other members of the communications party and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-needed communication lines between the liaison officer and the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

WILLIAM E. KING, 38062728, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen and Pachten, Germany. When enemy artillery fire severed vital wire communications, Private First Class King, Field Lineman, and a companion, advanced through the concentrated enemy barrage and repaired the breaks in the line. Later, phosphorous mortar fire repeatedly disrupted the lines. Private First Class King, without regard for his personal safety, remained in an exposed position with his companion and maintained the communications. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

JAMES T. MONTGOMERY, 34473870, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Saar River, Private First Class Montgomery, Field Lineman, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat with other members of the communications party and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-needed communication lines between the liaison officer and the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

ROMAN A. VERHOFF, 37387929, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the bridgehead operation on the flooded Saar River, Private First Class Verhoff, Field Lineman, crossed the raging stream in an assault boat with other members of the communications party and, despite intense enemy artillery fire, established urgently-

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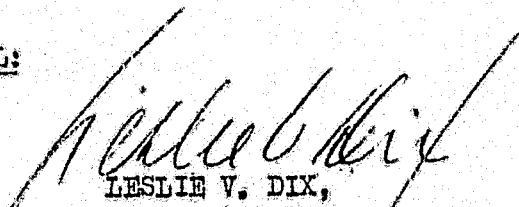
needed communication lines between the liaison officer and the battalion command post. His courageous action facilitated the adjustment of artillery fire upon the enemy and materially aided the infantry in taking its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

RICHARD A. CAPELLO, 31368862, Private, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 20 July 1944 in the vicinity of Gorges, France. Prior to an artillery bombardment of enemy mortar positions, Private Capello, Radio Operator, advanced through intense enemy fire and established radio communication between the forward observer and the battalion fire direction center. Despite heavy enemy fire, he maintained constant communication which facilitated observed fire on the enemy positions. Private Capello's courageous action aided materially in the destruction of enemy installations and in the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

SELMER H. JOHNSON, 37173152, Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Billingen, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery concentration, wire communications were destroyed. Sergeant Johnson, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued enemy shell fire and organized and led wire crews to reestablish communications. This enabled the Battalion Commander to direct a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack that followed the artillery barrage. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

II--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

WENDELL T. NICKERSON, 01319222, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom, France. When engineers were not available to transport an infantry company across the Moselle River, First Lieutenant Nickerson, Platoon Leader, made necessary arrangements to operate the ferry boats himself. Despite intense enemy fire, he organized the men under cover of darkness and ferried them safely to the far shore. He then made personal reconnaissance of enemy installations and established strategic mortar and machine gun positions to afford maximum efficiency in support fire for an infantry battalion attack. His heroic achievement materially aided the success of the mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

CHARLES H. KING, 34637827, Technical Sergeant (senior staff sergeant), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 September 1944 in the vicinity of Thionville, France. During an attack on the town by Company **, 358th Infantry, Technical Sergeant King, Squad Leader, without regard for his personal safety, led his squad through intense enemy automatic sniper fire. So aggressive was his leadership that 6 enemy were captured and the platoon was aided materially in the accomplishment of its mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

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JAMES L. YATES, 16149618, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack, a Mortar Platoon Observer was wounded and his observation post left unmanned. Technical Sergeant Yates, Platoon Sergeant, without regard for his personal safety, advanced through heavy enemy artillery, machine gun and small arms fire to reach the observation post. Despite the intense enemy fire directed at his position, he relayed accurate data which enabled effective mortar fire to be placed on a key enemy emplacement. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

GLENN K. KELLER, 37118873, Staff Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 7 - 22 December 1944, Staff Sergeant Keller distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Squad Leader. During the Saar River operation, supplies and ammunition for the battalion were ferried across the river. Staff Sergeant Keller, and companions, voluntarily carried the necessary items from the ferry site to the battalion's supply and loading point, while subjected to heavy enemy fire of various calibers. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

GORDON M. PETERSEN, 39384652, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery concentration, wire communications were destroyed. Technician Fifth Grade Petersen, Lineman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continuous enemy shell-fire and joined a wire crew to reestablish communications. This enabled the battalion commander to direct a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack that followed the artillery barrage. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Washington.

HERBERT COMPAAN, 36733284, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Prior to an attack, the wire line between the observation post and mortar positions was cut by enemy fire. Realizing the importance of observed mortar fire to cover the assault, Private First Class Compaan patrolled the line and repaired the break while subjected to direct enemy machine gun fire. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

EDWARD W. DANIELS, 35847412, Private First Class (then private), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 7 - 22 December 1944, Private First Class Daniels distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Squad Leader. During the Saar River operation, supplies and ammunition for the battalion were ferried across the river. Private First Class Daniels, and companions, voluntarily carried the necessary items from the ferry site to the battalion's supply and loading point, while subjected to heavy enemy fire of various calibers. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

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JAMES A. FOWLKES, 37239066, Private First Class, Infantry, 356th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery concentration, wire communications were destroyed. Private First Class Fowlkes, Lineman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continuous enemy shellfire and joined a wire crew to reestablish communications. This enabled the battalion commander to direct a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack that followed the artillery barrage. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

LAWRENCE C. MORRIS, 35898457, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an enemy counterattack, wire lines between the observation post and mortar positions were cut by enemy shellfire. Private First Class Morris, Ammunition Handler, and a companion, subjected themselves to the continued artillery barrage, repaired the broken lines, restored communications and enabled the mortar platoon to continue firing on the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

GERALD ROSEN, 32925647, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery concentration, wire communications were destroyed. Private First Class Rosen, Lineman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continuous enemy shellfire and joined a wire crew to reestablish communications. This enabled the battalion commander to direct a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack that followed the artillery barrage. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

GLEN SOMMERS, 37153902, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in Germany. During the period 7 - 22 December 1944, Private First Class Sommers distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Squad Leader. During the Saar River operation, supplies and ammunition for the battalion were ferried across the river. Private First Class Sommers, and companions, voluntarily carried the necessary items from the ferry site to the battalion's supply and loading point, while subjected to heavy enemy fire of various calibers. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

JAMES F. SPANGLER, 35773580, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery concentration, wire communications were destroyed. Private First Class Spangler, Lineman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continuous enemy shellfire and joined a wire crew to reestablish communications. This enabled the battalion commander to direct a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack that followed the artillery barrage. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

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MAXWELL D. WILSON, 35896970, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an enemy counterattack, wire lines between the observation post and mortar positions were cut by enemy shellfire. Private First Class Wilson and companion, subjected themselves to the continued artillery barrage, repaired the broken lines, restored communications and enabled the mortar platoon to continue firing on the enemy. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

LESLIE H. DONEY, 37708993, Private, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an intense enemy artillery concentration, wire communications were destroyed. Private Doney, Lineman, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continuous enemy shellfire and joined a wire crew to reestablish communications. This enabled the battalion commander to direct a successful repulsion of an enemy counterattack that followed the artillery barrage. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

EDWARD A. McBRIDE, 42036970, Private, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When enemy artillery hit a newly-established prisoner of war inclosure, three men were critically wounded. Private McBride, Military Police, despite intense enemy artillery fire, hastened to the medical aid station 200 yards distant to summon aid. Unable to secure the help of aid men immediately, he obtained morphine and returned over the hazardous route to the inclosure. There, he injected the narcotic into the three wounded men. By his courageous action, the suffering of the casualties was alleviated and the complications of shock were reduced. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

JAMES M. KNOWLES, JR., W2108584, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Assistant Communications Officer during the crossing of the Moselle River, Warrant Officer Junior Grade Knowles worked night and day with little rest, maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines, vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. He supervised the establishment of an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and, by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, directed the extension of the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

MILLARD R. LEWIS, 37157044, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Upon observing a wounded man lying in an area subjected to intense enemy artillery fire, Staff Sergeant Lewis, Section Leader, immediately left his place of safety and, with two companions, went to the aid of the casualty. Although wounded in this action, Staff Sergeant Lewis did not permit himself to be evacuated until he had carried the wounded man to a place of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

II--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

FRANK A. LIPP, JR., 35493788, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Upon observing a wounded man lying in an area subjected to intense enemy artillery fire, Technician Third Grade Lipp, Surgical Technician, immediately left his place of safety and, with two companions, went to the aid of the casualty. Although wounded in this action, Technician Third Grade Lipp did not permit himself to be evacuated until he had carried the wounded man to a place of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

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JOHN J. MIKULEN, 38125017, Technician Fourth Grade (then technician fifth grade), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Technician Fourth Grade Mikulen worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and, by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

ROY C. BACCUS, 38089935, Technician Fifth Grade (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Technician Fifth Grade Baccus worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and, by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

GALVIN E. BROW, 38146704, Technician Fifth Grade (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Technician Fifth Grade Brow worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

FOREST E. ERICKSON, 38104627, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Technician Fifth Grade Erickson worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and, by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

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JOHN J. MALONEY, JR., 42034122, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Upon observing a wounded man lying in an area subjected to intense enemy artillery fire, Technician Fifth Grade Maloney, Aid Man, immediately left his place of safety and, with two companions, went to the aid of the casualty. Although wounded in this action, Technician Fifth Grade Maloney did not permit himself to be evacuated until he had carried the wounded man to a place of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

LOUIE A. RILEY, 37108036, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Technician Fifth Grade Riley worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and, by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

CHESTER B. ISHAM, 18030449, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Private First Class Isham worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JOHN W. MAHER, 37190052, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisse, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Private First Class Maher worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and, by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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HARRY R. CROUCH, 33644920, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisso, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Private Crouch worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

ERNEST E. UHALDE, 39420937, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy during the period 9 - 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom and Gavisso, France. As Wireman during the Moselle River operation, Private Uhalde worked night and day with little rest maintaining traffic control and check point wire lines which were vital to the supply system of the 357th Infantry Regiment. With assistance, he established an urgently-needed wire communication line across the raging current, despite intense enemy shelling, and by moving through an area known to be heavily mined, extended the line to an advance command post. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the Moselle River crossing and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

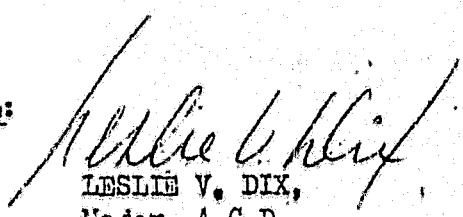
EDWIN T. BRUCE, JR., 01695771, Captain, Medical Corps, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 18 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

JAMES A. DEL BELLO, 36831381, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

WILLIAM E. PICOLET, 37155723, Staff Sergeant, (then technician fourth grade), Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 9 - 12 November 1944, Staff Sergeant Picolet distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. Subsequent to the crossing of the flooded Moselle River, high water and heavy enemy artillery fire made radio the most reliable means of communication for observer parties. Staff Sergeant Picolet, Radio Repairman, despite continuous rainy weather which caused other radio sets to become inoperative, kept his set functioning to perfection. Through his untiring efforts, adequate artillery support was furnished, which aided materially in the repelling of a fierce enemy counterattack. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

JOSEPH N. CHARO, 32204204, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany, during the period 9 - 12 December 1944. As Liaison Scout attached to an infantry battalion during the crossing of the Saar River, Sergeant Charo maintained constant radio communication with the support artillery, despite intense enemy fire. When two members of the Liaison Section were wounded, he directed their safe evacuation and assumed the additional duties, refusing relief when the command post was displaced. During the entire period, he made frequent trips through heavy enemy fire and kept the section supplied with water. His heroic service contributed to the success of the mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

THEODORE J. LEE, 39211720, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service on 9 and 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the initial attack across the Saar River, Corporal Lee, Liaison Scout, carried parts of two radios and two batteries in order to establish communications on the far shore. Despite having to wade ashore under intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, Corporal Lee refused to abandon any of the bulky equipment or to hinder any of his comrades' movements by asking for aid. He continued his courageous actions until the following evening when he was wounded by an enemy artillery concentration. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Washington.

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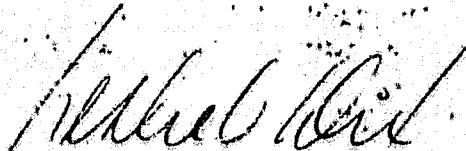
FRANCIS X. STEINMAN, 37151122, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 9 - 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hestange, France. When Corporal Steinman, member of a forward observer party attached to an infantry company, became separated from his unit during the night crossing of the Moselle River, he persuaded engineers to ferry him to the far shore. Carrying a section of a radio to be used for communication with the support artillery, he advanced through wooded areas in constant danger of enemy land mines and small arms fire from enemy emplacements, rejoined his unit and established the vital communication. His heroic achievement contributed to the success of the mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

JAMES F. RYAN, 32872292, Private First Class (then private), Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany, during the period 9 - 12 December 1944. As Field Lineman attached to an infantry battalion during the crossing of the Saar River, Private First Class Ryan maintained constant radio communication with the support artillery despite intense enemy fire. When two members of the Liaison Section were wounded, he directed their safe evacuation and assumed the additional duties, refusing relief when the command post was displaced. During the entire period, he made frequent trips through heavy enemy fire and kept the section supplied with water. His heroic service contributed to the success of the mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

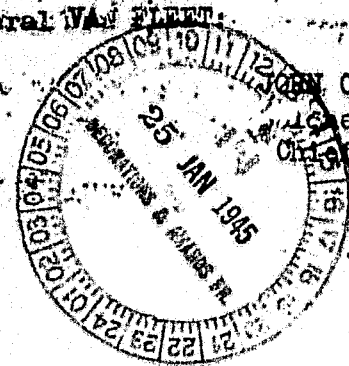
GEORGE J. DELL, 32270012, Private, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service on 9 and 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the initial attack across the Saar River, Private Dell, Liaison Scout, carried parts of two radios and two batteries in order to establish communications on the far shore. Despite having no wade ashore under intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, Private Dell refused to abandon any of the bulky equipment or to hinder any of his comrades' movements by asking for aid. He continued his courageous actions until the following evening when he was wounded by an enemy artillery concentration. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Delaware.

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Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

WILLIAM J. MARTIN, 01110640, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy in France. During the period 7 - 17 November 1944, First Lieutenant Martin directed his platoon in clearing mined areas and destroying enemy emplacements. Despite the continuous enemy observed fire, he exposed himself without regard for his personal safety and, by his personal leadership and tireless efforts, inspired his platoon to carry out its mission to a successful completion. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

JAMES W. VICKERY, 34779692, Sergeant, (then corporal), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 26 September 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. While removing a road-block, the squad was subjected to heavy enemy artillery barrages and several men, including the squad leader, became casualties. Sergeant Vickery rallied the troops and encouraged and directed them in their efforts to open the road. Despite the continued enemy shellfire he supervised the removal of 60 anti-tank mines from the obstacle and succeeded in opening the vital highway to traffic. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

WILLIAM M. TATE, 18080662, Sergeant, (then corporal), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant Tate, Construction Foreman, subjected himself to heavy enemy fire of various calibers and succeeded, after several unsuccessful attempts, in stringing a steel ferry cable across the treacherous current. With foresight, he crossed the swollen river again to string an alternate cable nearby. His courageous action facilitated the crossing of personnel and transportation of supplies to the far side and aided materially in the evacuation of the wounded. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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