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✓ WILLIAM C. MOCK, 33257776, Private, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisse, France. Preparatory to crossing the Moselle River, Private Mock volunteered with another man to patrol a road to locate possible trip wires, booby-traps and anti-personnel mines emplaced by the enemy. Without regard for his personal safety, he cautiously advanced to the road and removed many obstacles designed to kill or wound friendly troops. His courageous action enabled the engineer and infantrymen to pass safely over the route and cross the Moselle River the following day. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NO. 99

4 February 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:

✓ KENNETH C. SUTTER, 01822210, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. The battalion to which First Lieutenant Sutter's platoon of tank destroyers was attached was attacked by nine companies of enemy infantry supported by armor and two battalions of artillery. Despite the overwhelming numerical odds, First Lieutenant Sutter deployed his men expertly and directed effective fire upon the attacking force. When his platoon was split by a hostile penetration, he coolly reorganized his men and repelled the thrust. Working under constant heavy fire, he so inspired his men by his courageous leadership that they destroyed one tank and two half-track vehicles and contributed materially to the rout of the attackers who suffered considerable losses in men and materiel. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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4 February 1945

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL \_\_\_\_\_  
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I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. 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:

V. ROBERT L. EDENFIELD, 01550584, First Lieutenant, Ordnance Department, 790th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, United States Army. For heroism on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Neckring, France. When a rapidly spreading fire was started by an upset oil stove in a room occupied by two soldiers, one of them escaped but the other was trapped in the flames. First Lieutenant Edenfield, without regard for his own safety, quickly entered the blazing room, grasped the panic-stricken man and removed him to a place of safety. His heroic act saved the soldier's life. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

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

V. JACK COCK, 20823772, First Sergeant, Ordnance Department, 790th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Bouzonville, France. During a heavy artillery barrage, the building occupied by a company was demolished and many casualties were sustained. Despite continued artillery fire, First Sergeant Cook assisted in the removal of two soldiers from the debris, one of whom was dead. He also led and effected the rescue of a number of seriously injured medical men who were unable to ascend from the third floor of the building. He worked tirelessly in directing the removal of all injured or trapped personnel to a place of comparative safety and then directed the evacuation of the casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

V. HARRY B. WILSON, 38094650, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment Special Troops, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bavigne, Luxembourg. During an engagement with the enemy, a soldier became a casualty in an area exposed to intense fire of various calibers. Without regard for his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade Wilson advanced to the position of the wounded man, rendered first aid and evacuated him to safety. Later in the day he again braved machine gun and small arms fire to administer medical treatment to a wounded officer. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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✓ **ELMER E. WARD**, 01585046, Captain (then first lieutenant), Quartermaster Corps, 90th Quartermaster Company, 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.

✓ **WALTER L. HAZDA**, 01550609, First Lieutenant, Ordnance Department, 790th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 2 September to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

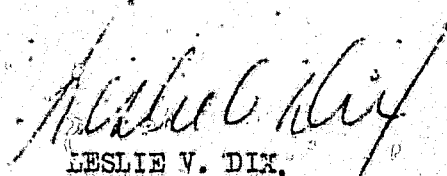
✓ **FRANK E. RATCLIFF**, 38017531, Technical Sergeant, Ordnance Department, 790th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 2 September to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ **WILLIAM S. PEROVICH**, 39838414, Staff Sergeant, Ordnance Department, 790th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, 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 California.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR	III

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:

✓ ALFRED L. LEE, 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 14 June to 24 July 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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:

✓ WILLIAM K. ROBB, 36443392, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 16 July 1944 in the vicinity of Periers, France. Having established an aircraft identification observation post forward of an adjacent infantry division's lines, members of this post were advised to withdraw by infantry personnel due to the heavy artillery fire and proximity to enemy positions. Private Robb, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued intense shelling, remained in his position and efficiently operated the observation post. Though killed in a later action, the courage and complete devotion to duty displayed by Private Robb will be a lasting inspiration to his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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:

✓ RICHARD C. ANDERSON, 0525336, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 10 - 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. While his battery was using their weapons as flat trajectory guns in support of an infantry battalion, First Lieutenant Anderson deployed his 50 caliber machine guns in strategic positions. He repeatedly subjected himself to enemy artillery and mortar barrages as he moved from one gun position to another, directing their fire against the foe's positions,

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facilitating the advance of the infantry. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ ALEXANDER G. CARSON, 01058941, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 9 - 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operation, First Lieutenant Carson distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. Despite intense enemy shelling on his gun positions, he, without regard for his personal safety, exposed himself many times to direct effective fire upon the enemy installations. His courageous action silenced fire from pillboxes and inflicted casualties upon the enemy which facilitated the advance of the infantry. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ WILLIAM B. HARACZ, 01047558, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 4 to 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operation, First Lieutenant Haracz reconnoitered, fortified and occupied positions for machine gun installations. Assigned the extremely perilous mission of diverting enemy fire from the bridgehead area to his emplacements, he displayed courage and skill in carrying out the assignment to its successful completion. His heroic service contributed materially to the establishment of the bridgehead and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ JOHN A. MOORE, 01044038, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 4 to 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operations, First Lieutenant Moore distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Platoon Commander. Despite intense shelling, he personally reconnoitered positions for antiaircraft machine guns and registered accurate fire upon the enemy installations. His courageous action silenced fire from enemy pillboxes and facilitated the advance of the infantry. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

✓ JAMES C. SACKETT, 01045584, First Lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 4 to 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operation, First Lieutenant Sackett reconnoitered, fortified and occupied positions for machine gun installations. Assigned the extremely perilous mission of diverting enemy fire from the bridgehead area to his emplacements, he displayed courage and skill in carrying out the assignment to its successful completion. His heroic service contributed materially to the establishment of the bridgehead and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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✓ BRUCE A. WILLS, 20754385, Staff Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Staff Sergeant Wills reconnoitered, fortified and occupied positions for machine gun installations. Assigned the extremely perilous mission of diverting enemy fire from the bridgehead area to his emplacements, he displayed courage and skill in carrying out the assignment to its successful completion. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ THURMAN C. JONES, 38237208, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operations, wire lines extended over open ground were continuously cut by artillery and mortar barrages. Without regard for his personal safety, Sergeant Jones exposed himself to the hostile fire and kept the lines repaired at all times. His heroic service in maintaining vital communications was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ JAMES C. LEACH, 38225050, Sergeant (then corporal), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Renhlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant Leach distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ ROBERT F. RUSHING, 38108447, Sergeant, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 23 December 1944 in the vicinity of Eimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant Rushing distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Chief of Section. He selected strategic machine gun positions, and on many occasions, exposed himself to intense artillery shelling to direct effective machine gun fire upon the foe. His heroic service facilitated the destruction of many objectives on the far side of the river and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ ANDREW KIRALY, 35579652, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 16 July 1944 in the vicinity of Periers, France. Having established an aircraft identification observation post forward of an adjacent infantry division's lines, members of this post were advised to

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withdraw by infantry personnel due to the heavy artillery fire and proximity to enemy positions. Corporal Kivaly, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued intense shellfire, remained in his position and efficiently operated the observation post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ JOHN C. WALKER, 38310791, Corporal, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Elmersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Corporal Walker, established a machine gun position in a strategic location near the enemy. Though subjected to observed shelling, he remained at his post and directed effective machine gun fire upon the foe. His courageous action silenced the fire from two pillboxes and facilitated the advance of the infantry. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ GLENDON E. McFARLAND, 38268446, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 16 July 1944 in the vicinity of Periers, France. Having established an aircraft identification observation post forward of an adjacent infantry division's lines, members of this post were advised to withdraw by infantry personnel due to the heavy artillery fire and proximity to enemy positions. Technician Fifth Grade McFarland, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued intense shellfire, remained in his position and efficiently operated the observation post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ LOY C. ZELLER, 37469247, Technician Fifth Grade, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 16 July 1944 in the vicinity of Periers, France. Having established an aircraft identification observation post forward of an adjacent infantry division's lines, members of this post were advised to withdraw by infantry personnel due to the heavy artillery fire and proximity to enemy positions. Technician Fifth Grade Zeller, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued intense shellfire, remained in his position and efficiently operated the observation post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ PHIL J. BALCEZAK, 36417941, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private First Class Balcezak distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

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✓ **HYMEN BERNSTEIN**, 36384899, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private First Class Bernstein distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ **PAUL R. BOTTOMS**, 38236942, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Bimersdorf, Germany. During the Saar River operation, a platoon became temporarily pinned down by fire from a pillbox. Upon observing this situation, Private First Class Bottoms commenced firing a machine gun upon the enemy emplacement, and so accurately operated the weapon that all hostile fire was silenced and the platoon was able to continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ **PAUL J. COOK**, 39310858, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Cook distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

✓ **RAMON DIAZ, JR.**, 38124930, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Diaz distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ **THEODORE J. MOCHAM**, 39900876, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Mocham distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

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✓ JAMES S. MILAM, 38236695, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Milam distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ SIDNEY J. ORDOYNE, 38309978, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Ordoyne distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ ELMER C. PETTEY, 38237023, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 16 July 1944 in the vicinity of Periers, France. Having established an aircraft identification observation post forward of an adjacent infantry division's lines, members of this post were advised to withdraw by infantry personnel due to the heavy artillery fire and proximity to enemy positions. Private First Class Pettey, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued intense shellfire, remained in his position and efficiently operated the observation post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ RALPH ROACH, 33442947, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Roach distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

✓ ANTONIO SCARALE, 31387960, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement during the period 15 - 16 July 1944 in the vicinity of Periers, France. Having established an aircraft identification observation post forward of an adjacent infantry division's lines, members of this post were

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advised to withdraw by infantry personnel due to the heavy artillery fire and proximity to enemy positions. Private First Class Scarale, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to the continued intense shellfire, remained in his position and efficiently operated the observation post. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ **BENVELEY C. TURPIN**, 33217416, Private First Class, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private First Class Turpin distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

✓ **JOSEPH H. WEST**, 38310587, Private First Class (then private), Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. While his battery was using their weapons as flat trajectory guns, in support of an infantry battalion, Private First Class West manned a .50 caliber machine gun. Operating his gun in an exposed position and subjecting himself to enemy observation, he delivered effective fire on enemy pillboxes and other positions which silenced hostile guns directed at the infantry. His heroic service enabled the infantry to advance unimpeded and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ **ROBERT H. WILSON, JR.**, 38200324, Private, Coast Artillery Corps, 537th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service from 5 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Rehlingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private Wilson distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Machine Gunner. While constantly exposed to intense enemy shelling, he maintained a large volume of harassing and interdicting machine gun fire upon enemy troops and installations, which greatly facilitated the crossing of the river and the subsequent capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

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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:

WALTER W. JAEGGI, 17044049, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 November 1944 in the vicinity of Tettingen, Germany. Company \*\*, made several efforts to advance upon an enemy pillbox, only to be driven back by intense machine gun fire from the fortification. Sergeant Jaeggi volunteered to attempt to breach the strongpoint alone. Advancing at risk of his life through the hostile fire, he reached his objective and placed and ignited a demolition charge against the fortification. When the charge failed to explode, he left the position of comparative safety to which he had gone and returned to place a second charge, which detonated and opened a hole in the pillbox wall. Immediately after the explosion, he rushed to the stronghold and threw hand grenades through the hole made by the exploding charge. As a result of his courageous feat, five of the enemy were killed and 25 captured. His gallant action aided materially in the success of subsequent attacks by the infantrymen and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

HOLLIE D. PRICKETT, 37153796, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Sergeant Prickett commanded a squad of engineers with the mission of neutralizing enemy pillboxes hindering the advance of an infantry battalion. At risk of his life, he led the squad through intense artillery and small arms fire and supervised the destruction of five fortifications, personally placing most of the demolition charges. When the supply of charges had been expended, he returned to the battalion supply dump with three companions, over a route which constantly exposed the party to sniper and observed artillery and mortar fire, to obtain more charges. On the return trip they were suddenly subjected to intense machine gun fire. Despite the intense barrage, he led the men in an infiltration movement and delivered the urgently needed explosives which facilitated further destruction of hostile fortifications. His gallant act enabled the infantry to continue the advance and accomplish its mission and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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✓ **GEORGE J. LARRABASTER**, 37156015, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. At the height of the attack on the town, it became necessary to replenish the battalion's exhausted supply of explosives. Corporal Larrabaster voluntarily and at risk of his life, subjected himself to heavy observed fire and made four trips across 1000 yards of open marsh land to obtain and deliver the critically needed explosives to the battalion. Later, although subjected to intense machine gun fire from adjacent pillboxes, he, with a companion, placed 15 charges of C-2 against five pillboxes and destroyed them. His courageous and aggressive actions and complete devotion to duty enabled the infantry to continue their advance. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

✓ **FRED A. FAHS**, 37118741, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During an attack on the town, the advance of the infantry was temporarily halted by fire from an enemy pillbox. Technician Fifth Grade Fahs, at risk of his life, crawled under observed machine gun fire to the stronghold and breached it by means of a demolition charge. Immediately after the explosion, he rushed into the emplacement and assisted in the killing of three enemy and the capture of 17. His courageous and selfless action materially aided the infantry in the capture of the town. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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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:

✓ **AUGUSTUS H. McDONALD**, 37107854, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations during the period 8 - 10 November 1944 in France. During the Moselle River operation, it was necessary to ferry supplies across the swollen river to the battalion on the far side. Staff Sergeant McDonald, voluntarily, with a companion, subjected himself to heavy fire of various calibers, operated boats carrying the critically needed supplies and on return trips evacuated casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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:

✓ **DONALD J. BAUER**, 0506402, Captain, Dental Corps, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 9 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio. X

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IV. REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 98---. So much of General Orders Number 92, this headquarters, 4 February 1945, as Star to AUGUSTUS H. McDONALD, 37107854, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, is revoked. This republished in Section II of these General Orders.

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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:

✓ BENJAMIN O. ROSSOW, 0239101, Lieutenant Colonel (then major), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. After crossing the Saar River with the initial wave of assault forces, Lieutenant Colonel Rossow, Battalion Commander, led his troops in a determined attack against the startled enemy and established a bridgehead 2000 yards inland. When the enemy initiated a series of fierce counterattacks, Lieutenant Colonel Rossow, at risk of his life, subjected himself to constant intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire while contacting forward elements to insure a coordinated effort. His courageous leadership inspired his forces to repel the attackers and secure the bridgehead. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

✓ ARTHUR L. GERRARD, 01323421, Captain (then first lieutenant), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. Captain Gerrard led his platoon in an assault on a strongly-defended hill. After advancing 300 yards, the platoon was subjected to artillery, small arms and extremely heavy mortar fire. Despite the increasingly intense fire, Captain Gerrard charged up the slope and overran the entrenched enemy infantry, killing seven enemy himself and so inspiring his platoon by his courageous leadership that it killed or wounded every member of the defending force. He continued his lightning attack and, directing accurate fire, destroyed three enemy mortars and secured the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

✓ MAX G. KOCOUR, 0514266, Captain, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Captain Kocour worked under constant artillery and small arms fire, maintained personal contact between the leading rifle companies, coordinated their positions and directed the repelling of enemy counterattacks. When the battalion was ordered to evacuate the bridgehead, Captain Kocour, voluntarily and at risk of his life, remained with the covering forces, personally supervising the demolition of vital materials that could not be moved. His gallant action contributed materially to the success of the operation and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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✓ **ARNOLD M. THOMPSON**, 0339812, Captain, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 15 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Captain Thompson commanded a provisional task force composed of troops with no previous experience as riflemen. Relieving a battalion in a newly established bridgehead, Captain Thompson worked under constant artillery, mortar and small arms fire, directing his force in the successful maintenance of the bridgehead. He made reconnaissances in dangerously exposed areas and subjected himself to direct enemy fire in order to operate a radio and relay accurate fire data to the artillery, which helped repel numerous counterattacks. His gallant action contributed materially to the success of the operation and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ **JAMES W. HOERNER**, 01325062, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 - 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River crossing, First Lieutenant Hoerner led a supply carrying party across with the initial assault wave. Upon reaching the far shore, they were pinned down by fire from a pillbox. Under the excellent leadership of First Lieutenant Hoerner, the small group outmaneuvered the enemy position, capturing its occupants and equipment. By nightfall, the carrying party had neutralized four hostile fortifications and captured 40 prisoners. First Lieutenant Hoerner then reconnoitered and established an 800 yard supply route while subjected to heavy enemy observed fire. For two days and nights he led his men over this dangerous route continually harassed by heavy fire and enemy patrols. Ambushed by an enemy patrol, the supply party quickly routed the attackers after killing one of its members in hand-to-hand combat. Through the excellent leadership and perseverance of First Lieutenant Hoerner the regiment was supplied with rations and ammunition during this critical period. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

✓ **JOHN B. KNUTSON**, 37172635, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During a heavy counter attack, communications between the command post of Task Force Thompson and the forward rifle echelons were disrupted. Technical Sergeant Knutson, at risk of his life, subjected himself to intense fire of various calibers, made his way to a nearby company's position and called his headquarters for artillery support in repelling of the counterattack. His courageous action contributed immeasurably to the defeat of the enemy. Later, while leading his platoon in further operations, he was painfully wounded by mortar fire, but refused evacuation. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ **ROBERT J. VOGELSBERG**, 17050642, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Staff Sergeant Vogelsberg, Supply Sergeant, crossed the river with the initial assault wave of his company and fought alongside the riflemen on the far shore, aiding them in reducing a pillbox whose fire had pinned down the company. In reconnoitering

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a supply route to the river; he, at risk of his life, traversed an open area for 800 yards while subjected to heavy mortar and small arms fire, and then led supply parties in repeated trips over this route. Later, while carrying supplies, he, with two companions, were ambushed by a patrol and fighting in hand-to-hand combat, killed one member of the patrol and routed the remaining attackers. Through his leadership and perseverance the regiment was supplied with rations and ammunition during this critical period. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ DONALD D. FOLEY, 17045904, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During an engagement with the enemy, a number of men became casualties and were in urgent need of medical attention. Technician Fifth Grade Foley, despite intense shelling, voluntarily led a party of walking wounded through enemy lines to pioneer an evacuation route. Upon encountering enemy troops, he, not conversant with the German language, explained his mission by gestures and persuaded them to allow the group safe passage through hostile lines to a friendly aid station. Upon successful completion of this assignment, he returned, organized litter squads and supervised the evacuation of the litter cases over the same hazardous route. His resourceful and daring action saved the lives of many wounded men. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ EUGENE L. COHEN, 32029776, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When the platoon repelled a counterattack by a numerically superior force, Private First Class Cohen captured seven of the enemy. Despite fire of various calibers, he then left a position of comparative safety, traversed an open field to hostile lines, attempted to administer first aid to a wounded officer but, unable to evacuate him, returned to friendly territory with two more captives. Unarmed, he accompanied one of the prisoners back to the hostile area, and negotiated with an officer for the surrender of additional enemy troops, while subjected to heavy friendly artillery fire. When this barrage subsided, he succeeded in capturing 17 of the enemy and returned safely with them to his platoon. His courageous and resourceful action contributed immeasurably to the success of the battalion's mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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:

✓ CECIL M. KIME, 38146843, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 18 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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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:

✓ ARTHUR J. ANSERT, 33053453, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 23 August 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ IRVIN J. MAGNUSON, 17050608, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ NYLE FULTON, 17066899, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the periods 8 - 12 June 1944 and 16 November to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

✓ JOSEPH M. HALL, 38085954, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ ARTHUR W. JANDA, 31005285, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 18 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ ROBERT S. PETTIGREW, 34114829, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th 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 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

✓ ERIC I STERN, 37172254, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th 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 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ CANNIE C. ELLIS, 38089482, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ EDWARD V. STALLINGS, 37195222, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from New York.

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✓ PERRY L. DOUGLAS, 38099097, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 18 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ HENRY H. HALE, 38104207, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ VIRGIL JOHN, 38024739, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ HERMAN L. POPE, 37169607, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ WILLIAM FERGI, 33439926, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 20 October 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ SAM VIGNA, 38103728, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 6 - 21 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ CARL H. SAND, 37172806, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ ROBERT E. SCHELSKE, 37155000, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

✓ JOSEPH D. BALLECK, 38148732, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 18 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ JOSEPH L. GRIVEL, 37155324, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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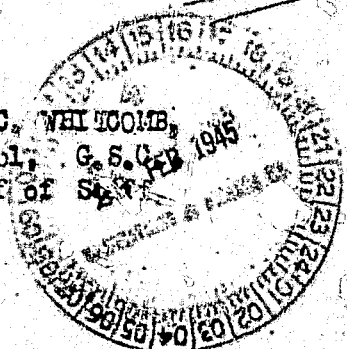
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✓ CLYDE O. LOVELLADY, 38089949, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 6 - 21 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ JOHN R. MOLESWORTH, 33732185, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 4 October 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

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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:

LA VERNE W. MILLER, 33508753, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 and 7 January 1945 in the vicinity of Weilton, Germany. During darkness, Private First Class Miller, and two companions undertook a mission of infiltrating into enemy territory to observe and record all activity. Encountering a 25 foot antitank ditch, serving as the enemy's outpost line, the small group followed an enemy patrol carefully noting where they were challenged. Learning the unmanned gaps along the ditch, the trio crossed between two machine gun emplacements. Successfully by-passing several enemy groups by dawn, they penetrated 5000 yards into enemy territory. Exposed to sub-freezing temperatures, the small group remained behind the lines until dusk, recording on a map their observations of all activity. Their route back was equally as hazardous, nevertheless, the courageous men successfully eluded all enemy patrols they encountered and succeeded in reaching the organization. The data obtained fulfilled all demands for completing the battalion's picture of the enemy to its front. The gallantry of Private First Class Miller was an inspiration to his battalion and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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:

CLARON B. CHRONISTER, 38292744, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Weilton, Germany. During an attack on the town, the advance of an infantry company was temporarily halted by fire from an enemy held building. Staff Sergeant Chronister, at risk of his life, charged the machine gun nearest his position, killed one of the crew and captured the other. He then led his squad into the building, captured seven more of the foe and routed the remainder. His courageous leadership facilitated the advance of the company and contributed to the accomplishment of its mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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RICHARD M. McDONALD, 31448194, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 and 7 January 1945 in the vicinity of Weiten, Germany. During darkness, Staff Sergeant McDonald, and two companions undertook a mission of infiltrating into enemy territory to observe and record all activity. Encountering a 25 foot antitank ditch, serving as the enemy's outpost line, the small group followed an enemy patrol carefully, noting where they were challenged. Learning the unmanned gaps along the ditch, the trio crossed between two machine gun emplacements. Successfully by-passing several enemy groups by dawn, they penetrated 5000 yards into enemy territory. Exposed to sub-freezing temperatures, the small group remained behind the lines until dusk, recording on a map their observations of all activity. Their route back was equally as hazardous, nevertheless, the courageous men successfully eluded all enemy patrols they encountered and succeeded in reaching their organization. The data obtained fulfilled all demands for completing the battalion's picture of the enemy to its front. The gallantry of Staff Sergeant McDonald was an inspiration to his battalion and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

LOYD G. CRAFT, 34081591, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. While a platoon advanced upon a pillbox, Technician Fourth Grade Craft maintained a constant stream of machine gun fire upon the embrasures of the fortification to prevent the stronghold's occupants from firing upon the platoon. Despite the hostile machine gun fire centered upon him, he continued to operate his weapon from the second floor window of a strategically located house. When artillery fire destroyed the roof of the building and caused the top floor to collapse, he coolly moved to the floor below and resumed his fire. His effective fire enabled members of his platoon to gain a position behind the pillbox from which they destroyed the fortification. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Georgia.

LESLIE W. BANKS, JR., 31318460, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Eton, France. An enemy force of 30 infantrymen, six heavy tanks and two half-track vehicles attacked a platoon position. Private First Class Banks observed that the attack was directed toward a platoon antitank gun which was unmanned and was facing in the wrong direction. He raced through 50 yards of intense fire, maneuvered the gun into the proper position and fired a round at the attackers. Despite the intense fire concentrated upon him, he single-handedly loaded and fired two more rounds which halted the enemy advance. Continuing to operate the gun effectively, he helped force the attackers into a hasty retreat. Private First Class Banks' gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maine.

DANIEL W. BLUE, 33519432, Private First Class (then private), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 and 7 January 1945 in the vicinity of Weiten, Germany. During darkness, Private First Class Blue, and two companions undertook a mission of infiltrating into enemy territory to observe and record all activity. Encountering a 25 foot antitank ditch, serving as the

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my's outpost line, the small group followed an enemy patrol carefully noting where they were challenged. Learning the unmanned gaps along the ditch, the trio crossed between two machine gun emplacements. Successfully by-passing several enemy groups by dawn, they penetrated 5000 yards into enemy territory. Exposed to sub-freezing temperatures, the small group remained behind the lines until dusk, recording on a map their observations of all activity. Their route back was equally as hazardous, nevertheless, the courageous men successfully eluded all enemy patrols they encountered and succeeded in reaching their organization. The data obtained fulfilled all demands for completing the battalion's picture of the enemy to its front. The gallantry of Private First Class Blue was an inspiration to his battalion and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

HAROLD M. CHOATE, 33657873, Private First Class, Infantry, 353rd Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. The platoon of which Private First Class Choate was a member was occupying a pillbox in the rear of a slaughterhouse. A counterattacking enemy gained the area and trapped the platoon with a concentration of artillery and machine gun fire. At risk of his life, Private First Class Choate left the pillbox and advanced through the intense fire to a strategic position from which he fired his automatic weapon so effectively that the enemy became temporarily disorganized. While the platoon took advantage of the situation and moved from the pillbox to a more favorable position, he continued his fire until he was wounded by enemy shellfire. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

PATRICK C. HALL, SR., 34819000, Private First Class, Infantry, 353rd Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. An infantry company was dangerously threatened by a by-passed pillbox. Private First Class Hall moved to a strategic position and, with protective fire, covered an engineer's advance to destroy the fortification with a demolition charge. When two enemy rushed out of the position immediately following the explosion and opened fire with automatic weapons, Private First Class Hall killed one and wounded the other. He then voluntarily and at risk of his life, left a position of comparative safety and charged a second pillbox which had opened fire with machine guns and bazookas. There he threw hand grenades in the door which forced the surrender of 11 enemy soldiers. He then destroyed an artillery piece in the rear of the fortification with a thermite grenade. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

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:

JOE N. MacFERRIN, 01061463, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bras, Belgium. During an attack on the town, heavy artillery and machine gun fire impeded the advance of an infantry platoon. Second Lieutenant MacFerrin moved among his men, rallied and encouraged individual aggressiveness and, despite the intense barrage, led them in an advance to a more commanding position which afforded greater fire power. He then led them in an assault against the enemy, captured the objective and consolidated the position. Second Lieutenant MacFerrin was mortally wounded shortly after this engagement, but the courageous action, and intrepid leadership he displayed will be a lasting inspiration to the men



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under his command. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

GEORGE R. WADE, 20519630, Private First Class, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a counterattack, a house occupied by a battalion command post was hit by heavy fire of various calibers and casualties were sustained. Despite the continued intense fire, Private First Class Wade, with his litter squad, evacuated the wounded men to the basement and administered first aid to them. Later, Private First Class Wade, with his squad, volunteered to attempt the evacuation of other casualties, including a seriously wounded officer of a patrol that had been ambushed. He, with his companions, moved down a railroad bed, which was in direct line of intense fire of various calibers, reached the wounded men and evacuated them. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

VICTOR J. CHERNIAVSKY, 39001382, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 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 28 December 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

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)

SIGMUND J. WISNIEWSKI, 36619198, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a counterattack, a house occupied by a battalion command post was hit by heavy fire of various calibers and casualties were sustained. Despite the continued intense fire, Technician Fifth Grade Wisniewski, with his litter squad, evacuated the wounded men to the basement and administered first aid to them. Later, Technician Fifth Grade Wisniewski, with his squad, volunteered to attempt the evacuation of other casualties, including a seriously wounded officer of a patrol that had been ambushed. He, with his companions, moved down a railroad bed, which was in direct line of intense fire of various calibers, reached the wounded men and evacuated them. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

V--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:

THEODORE A. SHAW, 0402205, Captain, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bras, Belgium. When it became too dark to operate efficiently during an attack, an infantry regiment halted to defend their newly won ground for the night. Captain Shaw, organizing his company's defenses, learned that the commander of the company on his right, protecting the battalion's flank, had been wounded, and the unit was in a state of temporary disorganization. Aware of the danger of

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an inadequate defense line, Captain Shaw went immediately to help them organize. Personally directing unit and individual movement, he established contact with the battalion on its right, securing the entire main line of defense. His heroic service was largely responsible for the security of the battalion and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

EDWARD J. GORBIG, 01295536, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten and Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, First Lieutenant Gorbig distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as battalion communication officer. Despite fire of all calibers, he personally laid and maintained an urgently needed telephone wire across the swollen river. When this line was destroyed by shell-fire, he established excellent radio communication with the rear and forward elements, and later strung another telephone line across the torrent. His courageous action in perfecting such an efficient communication system contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

WILLIAM D. JONES, 0524573, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations against the enemy from 6 to 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, First Lieutenant Jones distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Battalion Ammunition and Pioneer Officer. He worked indefatigably night and day under intense fire of all calibers, supervising the transportation of ammunition and rations across the swollen river to the front line troops and directing the evacuation of casualties. His courageous action in maintaining a constant flow of vital supplies to the fighting troops under adverse conditions contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

CHARLES W. WATSON, 01306180, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Basse-Ham, France. During the night, the enemy infiltrated into a position in a house directly across a small river from the \* \* Company command post. First Lieutenant Watson, realizing that the foe was in a favorable location for destroying a bridge that would cut off friendly troops in one end of the town, immediately went to an upstairs window in the command post and began directing artillery fire upon the house, 75 yards distant. Despite the intense fire concentrated on his position, he continued to direct fire which killed six enemy, wounded three and resulted in the capture of fourteen. His heroic service defeated the attempt to isolate friendly troops and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

JOHN F. MURPHY, 37151554, First Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Belgium. During an attack on the town, all officers of Company \* \* became casualties. First Sergeant Murphy unhesitatingly assumed command of the company. Throughout the entire engagement, he, without regard for his

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personal safety, maintained perfect control of the organization while subjected to heavy artillery and mortar fire and adverse weather conditions. As a result of his exemplary leadership and military skill, stragglers were kept at an absolute minimum and high combat efficiency was maintained. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

ELSON G. BLEVINS, 38292817, Private First Class, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 23 November 1944 in the vicinity of Borg, Germany. A man was wounded seriously and was lying in a position subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private First Class Blevins voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, immediately went to the aid of the man. Despite the constant intense enemy fire, he, with companions, succeeded in carrying the casualty to a place of safety. His heroic service saved the life of the wounded man and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

FRANCIS J. HATIN, 31402908, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 18 September 1944 in the vicinity of Uckange, France. While manning an outpost in protection of his company's left flank, Private First Class Hatin was subject to an attack by a numerically superior force. Ignoring the great odds against him, he moved to the top floor of the building he occupied and, in the face of concentrated fire from the enemy's rifles, machine pistols and light machine guns, he successfully disorganized and pinned down the entire force with accurate rifle fire until help arrived. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Vermont.

JOHN W. LEE, 34450920, Private First Class, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 23 November 1944 in the vicinity of Borg, Germany. A man was wounded seriously and was lying in a position subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private First Class Lee voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, immediately went to the aid of the man. Despite the constant intense enemy fire, he, with companions, succeeded in carrying the casualty to a place of safety. His heroic service saved the life of the wounded man and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Service from North Carolina.

LEVIS R. SIMMONS, 33149147, Private First Class, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 23 November 1944 in the vicinity of Borg, Germany. A man was wounded seriously and was lying in a position subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private First Class Simmons voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, immediately went to the aid of the man. Despite the constant intense enemy fire, he, with companions, succeeded in carrying the casualty to a place of safety. His heroic service saved the life of the wounded man and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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RAYMOND E. TILLET, 38098661, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. While a platoon moved to the rear of a pillbox to destroy it, Private First Class Tillet, with a companion, neutralized the pillbox by firing a machine gun at the embrasures from the upper story of a house 100 yards from the enemy position. When artillery fire demolished the roof and the top floor of the building, he, with his comrade, ignored the continued fire of various calibers, moved from position to position, and continued firing effectively at the pillbox. His heroic achievement materially aided the platoon in accomplishing its mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

X CARL C. SPILCH, 0356181, 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 12 July 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

X PAUL L. BALDASSARE, 39341167, 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 9 July to 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

X EMMETT T. BOYD, 20848880, 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 28 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

X L. B. FIELDS, 38064116, 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 1 November to 18 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

X JAMES M. LEATH, 18034505, 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 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

X JOHN D. L. MacISAAC, 31032304, 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 Massachusetts.

X THURSTON STEVENS, 38125524, 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 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

X RAYMOND J. DUFFY, 37190037, 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 1 November to 28 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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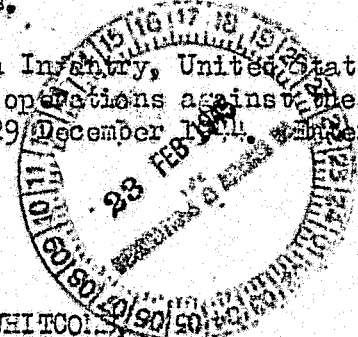
X GEORGE H. TINKER, 39541895, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 15 July to 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

X JAMES F. BROZIK, 37156182, 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 12 June 1944, and 22 August to 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

X CARL H. BRUEGER, 37156324, 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 16 July 1944 and 23 July to 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

X GLENN M. SHIPLEY, 38046985, 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 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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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, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously to:

JAMES D. RICHTER, 0234023, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 9 to 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kessling, France. When the forward command post of an infantry battalion located in a building was surrounded by numerically superior hostile troops, Captain Richter supervised the evacuation of his men to a more commanding position. After successfully accomplishing this mission, he rushed back in to the building, despite the presence of several enemy soldiers and retrieved his critically needed radio and a pre-arranged secret message. Upon encountering two enemy who demanded his surrender, he ignored their demand and made his escape by leaping from an open window, thereby precluding the capture of the coded document. Though he was mortally wounded in a later engagement with the enemy, his courageous act will be an everlasting inspiration to his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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:

WOODROW H. WINGATE, 34049154, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 8 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

JOSEPH DAIKUT, 37107600, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 9 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, 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 posthumously to:

FRANK R. NEUSWANGER, 0292889, Captain, 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 leading platoon of Company \* \*, 359th Infantry, encountered heavy fire from a hostile tank supported by infantrymen. Immediately, Captain Neuswanger, Company Commander, led the remaining two platoons forward to their aid. After establishing contact with the assault platoon, he led the entire company through 500 yards of observed enemy fire, personally moving among the men to inspire individual aggressiveness. Within 100 yards of the enemy tank the company was pinned down by an intense concentration of fire. Refusing to ask any of his men to undertake the dangerous mission of destroying the enemy tank without his participation, Captain Neuswanger personally, at risk of his life, led a three man bazooka team to within 50 yards of their target. After scoring a direct hit on the tank, the small group was subjected to heavy fire of various calibers which prevented any further advance. Though Captain Neuswanger was mortally wounded by an enemy sniper while acting as rear guard during the return to the company, his courageous leadership and devotion to duty will be a lasting inspiration to all his men. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

II--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:

RINOLD FATHAUER, 38155081, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Nothum, Luxembourg. Staff Sergeant Fathauer commanded a squad given the mission of placing mortar fire on enemy positions in support of a battalion attack. Later during the assault, when the squad's position was subjected to heavy direct artillery and observed mortar fire, he was given an urgent fire mission. Rather than subject the squad to the intense barrage, he ordered his men to take cover while he remained alone in his position and, at risk of his life, fired the mortar. Staff Sergeant Fathauer completed the mission, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy, but was mortally wounded by shell fragments. His courageous act and intrepid leadership contributed immeasurably to the success of the battalion mission and will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His gallantry was

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in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

III--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:

CALVIN H. MYERS, 37171819, First Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 9 to 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Kaundorf, Luxembourg. During the attack, First Sergeant Myers, at risk of his life, subjected himself to heavy fire of various calibers, remained at his post and maintained contact by radio with other units of the battalion. When the leaders of the company became casualties and were evacuated, he assumed command and, though subsequently wounded, refused evacuation. Later, the company was pinned down by intense artillery and small arms fire, and heavy casualties were sustained. He reorganized the men and led them to a more favorable position. Despite his painful wound, he administered first aid to the wounded and supervised the evacuation of casualties, until the company was properly relieved. Through his courageous and determined efforts and complete devotion to duty, the battalion's positions were kept intact, and relieving units were able to make further advances. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

VERGIE A. LINDSAY, 37155435, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Technical Sergeant Lindsay led his platoon for 300 yards through heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire toward a strategically located pillbox. Reaching a point 30 yards from the objective, he rushed alone through the intense fire to a trench leading directly to the pillbox. Moving forward, he was suddenly confronted by a machine gun nest located in the trench. Firing his rifle and throwing hand grenades, he killed three of the machine gun crew, wounded the remaining one member and destroyed the gun. With this threat removed, the platoon gained the trench and, led by Technical Sergeant Lindsay, advanced to take the strongpoint. Technical Sergeant Lindsay's gallant leadership was inspirational to the members of his platoon and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

HUBERT J. TYRRELL, 33783038, Technical Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 10 to 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling and Treching, France. When an enemy platoon attacked a machine gun squad which was in support of a company outpost, Technical Sergeant Tyrrell's alert supervision and direction of accurate fire enabled his squad to annihilate the hostile force. Later, while supporting Company \* \* in its attack on a town, fire from two assault guns and a machine gun impeded the advance of the company. He, at risk of his life, with his squad, neutralized the machine gun position, until accurate artillery fire, registered on the assault guns forced their withdrawal. Despite the fact that he and his companions were 500 yards in front of the company and without rifle protection, he directed his group in giving fire cover to the company during its reorganization and in delivering support fire until the objective was attained. While advancing toward the objective, he, with his party, routed a patrol which attempted to break through a road block and killed 10 and wounded two of the enemy. His gallantry

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was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

HARLTON L. VAUGHN, 38089795, Technical Sergeant (then staff sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of Nothum, Luxembourg. During an attack a platoon sergeant was killed by heavy mortar and machine gun fire. Without hesitation, Technical Sergeant Vaughn assumed command and at risk of his life, reorganized the dispersed platoon while under the continued mortar fire. Then organizing a team of five men, he led them in a flank attack on the hostile machine gun position. In the face of intense fire, he courageously spearheaded the assault to a position where they neutralized the enemy emplacement, killing 16 enemy and capturing 10. Later while leading his platoon toward its initial objective, he observed an enemy soldier about to fire. Quickly, Technical Sergeant Vaughn fired from the hip and killed him. His gallantry and courageous leadership aided materially in his company's success and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WAYNE T. BYBEE, 37156050, Staff Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chambois, France. Staff Sergeant Bybee, commanding a strategically located light machine gun position was subjected to a strong infantry and tank attack. Despite intense shellfire, he directed accurate machine gun fire on the artillery forces until the position received a direct hit by tank fire, damaging the two guns and wounding him. Stopping only long enough to receive first aid, he secured a bazooka and, with accurate fire, disabled one tank and routed the remaining force. Returning to his gun position, he, with companions, took parts of the two damaged weapons and assembled one serviceable machine gun. Subjected to a second attack, he directed fire on the enemy with this gun until overrun by tanks. When tank destroyers moved forward to support his position, they were forced to stop short of the enemy forces by a deep creek bed. Seeing this, Staff Sergeant Bybee, at risk of his life, took up a position exposed to enemy fire and by vocal relay, directed the fire of the destroyers on the enemy which routed the numerically superior force, and later forced the surrender of approximately 500 hostile soldiers. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

ROSS S. GREASON, 37155538, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 9 to 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the assault crossing of the flooded Moselle River, Staff Sergeant Greason acted as Battalion Communication Officer during the absence of that officer. Despite intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he, under cover of darkness, supervised and assisted in installing a communication line across the raging torrent. When the far shore was reached, he, working with indefatigable energy, directed the establishment of a wire net within the battalion and to adjacent units. Then, voluntarily and at risk of his life, he made repeated trips along the wire routes, while subjected to intense fire of all calibers, repaired damaged communication lines and maintained the vital communication. His gallant act contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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WALTER OPASKA, 33412504, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 in vicinity of Wothum, Luxembourg. During an attack on enemy positions near the town, Staff Sergeant Opaska's squad was pinned down by intense machine gun fire. He immediately deployed his men and directed them to maintain fire on the machine gun position and its supporting riflemen. Voluntarily and at risk of his life, he advanced under cover of the fire but when he reached the proximity of the hostile emplacement, he was forced to take cover because of an intense artillery barrage in the area. When the artillery barrage lifted, he continued to move forward and by throwing hand grenades into the hostile position, forced three of the enemy to surrender. Directing them to the rear, he then jumped into the machine gun nest, killed one enemy and wounded and captured the other. His gallant act contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

MARCUS M. SMITH, 20810966, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. When an enemy counterattack supported by tanks overran the position of the battalion, Staff Sergeant Smith immediately organized his section and placed the men in positions from which they effectively engaged the enemy. During the battle, he observed a tank approaching his position and advanced, at risk of his life, under small arms fire in an attempt to drop a hand grenade into the turret of the armored vehicle, causing it to withdraw. His gallant leadership aided materially in the repelling of the counterattack and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

ALEX CHARNEY, 33174552, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Berle, Luxembourg. During an attack on the town, machine gun fire from a building impeded the advance of a platoon. Private First Class Charney, voluntarily and at risk of his life, worked his way across an open field under intense fire and reached the building. Without hesitation, he entered the house, killed five of the enemy and forced the remaining 40 to surrender. Private First Class Charney's courageous action and selfless devotion to duty enabled the platoon to continue its advance and accomplish its mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

GEORGE RUSSELL, 19000825, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 - 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. When heavy machine gun fire impeded the advance of the company, the leader of a machine gun squad rendering support fire became a casualty. Private Russell immediately assumed command. Later, when intense artillery fell in the company's area creating a temporary state of disorganization, Private Russell, at risk of his life, kept his squad in position and delivered effective fire on the enemy. When the company had reorganized, he continued to direct and lead his squad until the objective was taken. That night, while covering a vital road, an enemy patrol attempted to penetrate the road block, but due to Private Russell's alert fire control, 10 of the enemy were killed, two wounded and the remaining enemy were routed. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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IV--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:

LEE J. HALLAM, 18097161, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. After occupying a pillbox, Staff Sergeant Hallam and his men were attacked and surrounded by an enemy force. Staff Sergeant Hallam went outside the fortification and, although exposed to the direct fire of the enemy, fired his rifle and threw hand grenades to help inflict heavy casualties upon the enemy force, causing it to withdraw. His heroic achievement enabled his men to hold the important strongpoint and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Utah.

HOBERT H. GARFIELD, 42023486, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 9 to 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kalling, France. After crossing the Moselle River with the assault forces, Private First Class Garfield worked day and night under assistant artillery, mortar and small arms fire, laying communication lines across the swollen river and between companies and battalions. When enemy artillery and mortar fire disrupted communications across the river, he obtained an engineer boat and helped repair the breaks. While accompanying an attacking force through mine fields, Private First Class Garfield was shaken up by the explosion of a mine which seriously wounded a comrade. Recovering his senses, he administered first aid to the casualty until medical aid men arrived. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

V--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:

JAMES TURNER, 13057920, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations during the period 9 - 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kalling, France. During the Moselle River operation, Private Turner and his wire team succeeded in laying a communication line across the treacherous river. With this completed, he accompanied the wire team in laying lines to all assault companies of the battalion and to the regimental command post. When heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire repeatedly cut the lines, Private Turner exposed himself to the continued fire and made constant repairs. Several times the line across the river was blown out, necessitating repairs to be made in boats on the turbulent river under direct fire of various calibers. While laying a wire line through enemy mine fields for the assault battalion, Private Turner stepped on a mine and was seriously wounded and later killed. His heroic service will be a lasting inspiration to his comrades and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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:

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FRANK F. CZARNECKI, 36696258, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 9 to 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the initial crossing of the flooded Moselle River, Sergeant Czarnedki contributed immeasurably to the success of the battalion mission. Though constantly subjected to intense fire, he worked with indefatigable energy, making repeated trips across the raging torrent installing and repairing communication lines. On one occasion, heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire inflicted several casualties among the men of the wire team, including Sergeant Czarnedki. Despite his painful wounds, he refused evacuation and continued to repair damaged wire lines, maintaining vital communications. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

ARTHUR J. GRAHAM, 34057686, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service from 9 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Technician Fifth Grade Graham and his wire team succeeded in laying a communication line across the raging torrent. After crossing the river, they laid wire lines which connected all companies of the battalion. When these lines were cut by shellfire, Technician Fifth Grade Graham, though wounded, worked day and night under heavy enemy fire, repairing all breaks in the line to maintain constant communications among all elements of the battalion. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Florida.

CHARLES E. CLIFT, 34493544, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service from 9 to 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private First Class Clift and his wire team succeeded in laying a communication line across the raging torrent. After crossing the river, they laid wire lines which connected all companies of the battalion. When these lines were cut by shellfire, Private First Class Clift, though wounded, worked day and night under heavy enemy fire, repairing all breaks in the line to maintain constant communications among all elements of the battalion. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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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, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ JOHN E. CROWDER, 35557357, Corporal, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Nothun, Luxembourg. While leading a litter squad to evacuate wounded men, Corporal Crowder discovered the infiltration of approximately 25 enemy, which made the accomplishment of his mission impossible. He immediately returned to his unit, reported the situation and volunteered to guide a 15-man combat team to the area. After the combat team had reduced the resistance he continued to lead the litter squad and successfully evacuated wounded men over extremely difficult terrain. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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. KING, JR., 01687308, Captain, Medical Corps, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Luxembourg during the period 15 December 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

✓ CHAUNCEY W. PATTERSON, 0332612, Captain, Dental Corps, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Luxembourg during the period 20 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ EDWARD C. SCHATZ, 01533195, Captain, Medical Administrative Corps, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 12 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Washington.

✓ VICTOR V. STONE, W2119372, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 20 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

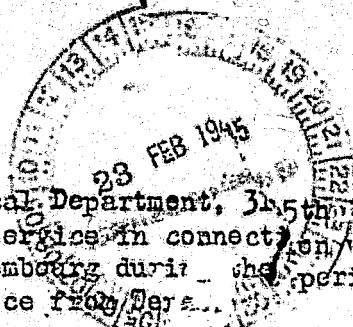
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✓ ESKIELD C. HAZGELL, 38094028, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Luxembourg during the period 19 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ PAUL D. FIELDS, 38099518, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Luxembourg during the period 20 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ *Staff* CARL H. TOBEN, 37118798, Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Luxembourg during the period 9 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

✓ RUDY W. AMBERG, 17050525, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 9 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ ARCHIE FELLISH, 37154752, Private First Class, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 9 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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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, the Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ CHARLES F. SCHEMIDT, 39156406, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 9 - 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bohoey, Luxembourg. While in support of an infantry battalion, Staff Sergeant Schmidt's tank platoon lost its leader and he assumed command. Battling for six consecutive days, he led three daylight and one night attack inflicting heavy casualties among the enemy. On five separate occasions, at risk of his life, he organized his tanks under heavy fire and successfully repelled enemy counterattacks, one of which consisted of seven tanks and 200 infantrymen. Under his fearless leadership, the platoon destroyed nine enemy tanks, 11 self-propelled guns, two antitank guns and one mobile field kitchen. Staff Sergeant Schmidt's personal courage and tactical skill contributed material support to an infantry battalion. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

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:

✓ WILBURN F. MOODY, 39233490, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Tank Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 and 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bohoey, Luxembourg. Learning of his unit's need for additional personnel, Staff Sergeant Moody, receiving medical treatment in rear area, volunteered to go forward. Arriving at the front, he led a section of tanks against a large force, routing them from a strategically important section of high ground. The following day he, at risk of his life, led a tank section forward and consolidated an infantry regiment's objective, accounting for a large number of enemy infantrymen. Upon observing 75 enemy forming a strong point, he moved his tank into position and quickly neutralized the hostile position. During this action, his tank was hit and set afire, and the ammunition began exploding. Though painfully burned, Staff Sergeant Moody helped a wounded crew member out of the tank, while under heavy machine gun fire. Though wounded in the leg, he again, at risk of his life, returned to the burning tank and successfully extricated another wounded comrade. His gallantry saved the lives of two wounded men and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

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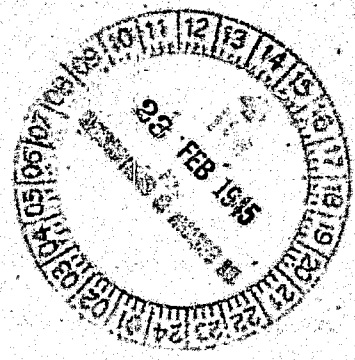
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

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:

✓ RICHARD H. WHITE, 01545944, First Lieutenant (then second lieutenant), Medical Administrative Corps, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in the vicinity of Catterom, France, from 9 to 15 November 1944. First Lieutenant White distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. During the Moselle River operation, he established and maintained an advance loading post for the evacuation of the wounded and crossed the river by assault boat under intense fire several times to insure the proper disposition of casualties and the uninterrupted flow of medical supplies to the aid stations. He then led the first group of ambulances across the pontoon bridge while the area was still under heavy artillery and mortar fire. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ JOSE F. MARTINEZ, 38169809, Private First Class, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 and 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack, an assault company encountered intense enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire and suffered heavy casualties. During darkness, Private First Class Martinez, without regard for his personal safety, accompanied a litter squad into the dangerous area to evacuate the wounded. Under intense artillery, rocket and mortar fire, he quickly transported seriously wounded men to an aid station for medical treatment. Private First Class Martinez's heroic service saved the lives of many men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

✓ WALTER J. MILLER, 33829849, Private First Class, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 and 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack, an assault company encountered intense enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire and suffered heavy casualties. During darkness, Private First Class Miller, without regard for his personal safety, accompanied a litter squad into the dangerous area to evacuate the wounded. Under intense artillery, rocket and mortar fire, he quickly transported seriously wounded men to an aid station for medical treatment. Private First Class Miller's heroic service saved the lives of many men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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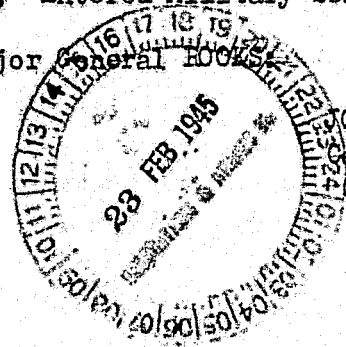
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WILLIAM D. MILLER, 39750148, Private, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 and 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack, an assault company encountered intense enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire and suffered heavy casualties. During darkness, Private Miller, without regard for his personal safety, accompanied a litter squad into the dangerous area to evacuate the wounded. Under intense artillery, rocket and mortar fire, he quickly transported seriously wounded men to an aid station for medical treatment. Private Miller's heroic service saved the lives of many men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

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✓ FRANK LUCIANO, 20134136, Private First Class, Medical Department, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Nothum, Luxembourg. During an engagement with the enemy, several men became casualties in an area exposed to intense shellfire. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Luciano, with another man, advanced over the hazardous route, rendered first aid to the wounded men and evacuated seven of them through artillery and mortar fire to safety. Despite continued shelling, he then returned and effected the evacuation of nine more casualties. His courageous action saved the lives of several men and lessened the suffering of many others. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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:

✓ CHESTER J. HEBERT, 34072076, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Trentalhof, Luxembourg. During an extremely heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, a field artillery observer was wounded severely. Observing the difficulty, an aid man was experiencing in his attempts to aid the violently struggling officer, Staff Sergeant Hebert, without regard for his personal safety, left a position of cover and assisted in holding the officer steady while the aid man administered medical treatment. Staff Sergeant Hebert then aided in carrying the wounded officer to a place of safety from which the evacuation was completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ FRANCIS X. GEISENEOFFER, 20324541, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Nothum, Luxembourg. During an engagement with the enemy, several men became casualties in an area exposed to intense shellfire. Without regard for his personal safety, Technician

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Third Grade Geisenhoffer, with another man, advanced over the hazardous route, rendered first aid to the wounded men and evacuated seven of them through artillery and mortar fire to safety. Despite continued shelling, he then returned and effected the evacuation of nine more casualties. His courageous action saved the lives of several men and lessened the suffering of many others. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN J. SMRTRNIK, 35135490, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Irentelhof, Luxembourg. During an extremely heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, a field artillery observer was wounded severely. Observing the difficulty, an aid man was experiencing in his attempts to aid the violently struggling officer, Sergeant Smrtnik, without regard for his personal safety, left a position of cover and assisted in holding the officer steady while the aid man administered medical treatment. Sergeant Smrtnik then aided in carrying the wounded officer to a place of safety from which the evacuation was completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

GEORGE J. SWIFT, 20131971, Sergeant (then corporal), Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 16 and 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. A tank destroyer, taking a position at a vital crossroad in support of an infantry regiment, was hit and set ablaze by the fire from an enemy tank and half-track vehicle. Sergeant Swift, though stunned, rapidly returned fire to drive the enemy back. After his vehicle had taken an alternate position, it was again attacked by hostile tanks. Once more, Sergeant Swift operated his gun so effectively that the tanks were forced to retreat. Later, he volunteered to accompany a relieving platoon to successfully repel an enemy counterattack. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

JACOB J. KRETCHIK, 33024685, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 16th and 17th January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. An enemy tank and armored vehicle attacked a tank destroyer and scored a hit on the vehicle. Despite the damage to the destroyer and shaken condition of its occupants, Technician Fourth Grade Kretchik remained at his post and aided in driving back the attackers. The following day they were again attacked by tanks, but he skillfully maneuvered the destroyer, evading the tanks' fire and enabled the gunners of the destroyer to place effective fire on the enemy vehicles. He again remained at his post, though he knew the traversing mechanism of his vehicle was damaged and, when a platoon arrived to relieve his platoon, he volunteered to accompany them to help repel a hostile tank attack advancing on the team. His heroic service contributed to the fighting efficiency of his unit and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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JACOB J. ELSTROTT, JR., 20432213, Corporal, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 16 and 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwammach, Luxembourg. While manning a gun on a tank destroyer, Corporal Elstrott was blinded by a nearby enemy shellburst. He refused evacuation and assisted the new gunner. When attacked by an enemy tank and a half-track, Corporal Elstrott's rapid loading enabled the gunner to direct a steady stream of fire, repelling the enemy. Though relieved by a platoon of tank destroyers, Corporal Elstrott volunteered to remain with his half-track vehicle and accompany the reinforcements to aid in repelling another enemy counterattack. His heroic service was an inspiration to his comrades and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

WILLIAM J. MEEHAN, JR., 20432289, Corporal (then private first class), Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in Germany and Luxembourg from 1 December 1944 to 20 January 1945. Corporal Meehan distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Acting Platoon Sergeant. He notified his platoon leader of threatening situations, made numerous reconnoissances and, upon one occasion, saved the life of a comrade who was thoughtlessly exposing himself to intense enemy fire. Working indefatigably, often under direct hostile fire, Corporal Meehan carried out his duties expertly and courageously. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

RUFUS WHEAT, 35267687, Corporal, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Trontelhof, Luxembourg. During an extremely heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, a field artillery observer was wounded severely. Observing the difficulty an aid man was experiencing in his attempts to aid the violently struggling officer, Corporal Wheat, without regard for his personal safety, left a position of cover and assisted in holding the officer steady while the aid man administered medical treatment. Corporal Wheat then aided in carrying the wounded officer to a place of safety from which the evacuation was completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

LAWRENCE L. WOODIE, 35135688, Corporal, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Trontelhof, Luxembourg. During an extremely heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, a field artillery observer was wounded severely. Observing the difficulty an aid man was experiencing in his attempts to aid the violently struggling officer, Corporal Woodie, without regard for his personal safety, left a position of cover and assisted in holding the officer steady while the aid man administered medical treatment. Corporal Woodie then aided in carrying the wounded officer to a place of safety from which the evacuation was completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

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CRITHON D. CLAYTON, 34255783, Technician Fifth Grade (then private first class), Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg, from 16 to 17 January 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Clayton distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Assistant Tank Destroyer Driver. During an enemy counterattack, he moved with his vehicle through intense artillery shelling and destroyed an enemy tank with accurate fire, forcing the remainder of the attacking force to withdraw. Though his tank was damaged by a high explosive shell, he chose to remain at his post through the next day and participate in the fight until all ensuing counterattacks were repelled. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

IVY L. CRUCE, 34052652, Private First Class, Medical Department, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 January 1945 in the vicinity of Trentelhof, Luxembourg. Private First Class Cruce voluntarily rode in a tank destroyer during an attack on the enemy to maintain closer contact with those in need of medical aid. When the destroyer was subjected to intense high explosive fire, an artillery observation officer was wounded nearby. Despite the intense barrage, Private First Class Cruce left the vehicle and advanced to administer first aid, but found he would need assistance to properly treat the officer who was writhing in pain. Summoning the assistance of four enlisted men, he administered first aid to the officer and then, amidst the intense hostile fire, personally supervised his evacuation. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Florida.

FRANK M. LAJEUNESSE, 37268838, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 16 and 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. A tank destroyer taking a position at a vital crossroad in support of an infantry regiment, was hit and set ablaze by the fire from an enemy tank and half-track vehicle. Private First Class Lajeunesse, cannoneer, though stunned, remained at his post and aided in the firing which eventually drove the enemy back. After his vehicle had taken an alternate position, it was again attacked by enemy tanks. Once more, Private First Class Lajeunesse loaded the gun with dispatch. Later he volunteered to accompany a relieving platoon to successfully repel an enemy counterattack. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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I--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:

FRANK A. JACOBSEN, 01104883, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Furweiler, Germany. An engineer platoon was assigned the mission of filling in an antitank ditch on a vital road to be subsequently used by armored vehicles in a scheduled attack. Under cover of darkness, a small unit of infantry was sent out to act as security for the working party, but was subjected to a severe counterattack. Without security and exposed to intense shellfire, Captain Jacobsen encouraged the men to continue with the work and personally aided in every way possible to complete the task. Due to his courageous leadership, the job was finished two hours ahead of the scheduled armored attack. His heroic achievement contributed to the success of the attack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

II--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO 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, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to (Now Missing in Action):

HAROLD W. DALBY, 37171890, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in operations on 8 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisse, France. Preparatory to clearing a road of mines and booby traps, it was necessary for a patrol to precede the mine detector group in order to locate possible enemy troops and trip wires. Staff Sergeant Dalby organized and led this patrol a distance of 500 yards and located numerous trip wires and an enemy listening post. After sending a message to the leader of the mine sweeping detail to proceed with the utmost caution, he, with a companion, removed a communication wire leading to the listening post, a heavy wire stretched across the road to decapitate occupants of passing vehicles, and seven anti-personnel mines, and also taped off areas containing complicated arrays of trip wires. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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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:

GEORGE F. MARKMANN, 37118913, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bavigne, Luxembourg. While Technician Fourth Grade Markmann and four other members of an advance patrol for a mine sweeping detail moved down a road, they were subjected to fire from concealed enemy machine gun nests. In the ensuing fire fight, one member of the patrol was killed, two were captured and another wounded. Without regard for his personal safety, Technician Fourth Grade Markmann quickly advanced in the face of heavy machine gun fire to the wounded man and carried him over 100 yards to a position of comparative safety. Later, he assisted the mine sweeping detail in evacuating the casualty. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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:

CHARLES W. HARTWELL, 0520530, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Furweiler, Germany. An engineer platoon was assigned the mission of filling in an antitank ditch on a vital road to be subsequently used by armored vehicles in a scheduled attack. Under cover of darkness, a small unit of infantry was sent out to act as security for the working party, but was subjected to a severe counterattack. Without security and exposed to intense shellfire, First Lieutenant Hartwell encouraged the men to continue with the work and personally aided in every way possible to complete the task. Due to his courageous leadership, the job was finished two hours ahead of the scheduled armored attack. His heroic achievement contributed to the success of the attack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JAMES E. ROGERS, 38098380, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Furweiler, Germany. An engineer platoon was assigned the mission of filling in an antitank ditch on a vital road to be subsequently used by armored vehicles in a scheduled attack. Under cover of darkness, a small unit of infantry was sent out to act as security for the working party, but was subjected to a severe counterattack. Without security and exposed to intense shellfire, Staff Sergeant Rogers encouraged the men to continue with the work and personally aided in every way possible to complete the task. Due to his courageous leadership, the job was finished two hours ahead of the scheduled armored attack. His heroic achievement contributed to the success of the attack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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DONALD D. VATHAUER, 37154714, Sergeant, 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 Vathauer, while assisting in stringing a steel cable across the river, worked many hours in the icy water under constant enemy fire. Twice the cable was cut by heavy artillery or swept away by the treacherous river current. Undaunted by the discouraging conditions, Sergeant Vathauer assisted in successfully stringing two more cables across the torrent. His courageous actions facilitated the transportation of personnel and supplies across the river and expedited the evacuation of wounded men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

LYNN H. KIMBALL, 39919581, 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 operations, Corporal Kimball, while assisting in stringing a steel cable across the river, worked many hours in the icy water under constant enemy fire. Twice the cable was cut by heavy artillery or swept away by the treacherous river current. Undaunted by the discouraging conditions, Corporal Kimball assisted in successfully stringing two more cables across the torrent. His courageous actions facilitated the transportation of personnel and supplies across the river and expedited the evacuation of wounded men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nevada.

✓ RALPH E. MORGAN, 39920141, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 - 30 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. During darkness, Technician Fifth Grade Morgan voluntarily accompanied a demolition man in removing an enemy road block. Without regard for personal safety, they worked under heavy enemy artillery fire, placed 100 pounds of explosives and destroyed the blockade, opening a vital road for the ensuing attack. On another occasion, Technician Fifth Grade Morgan assisted in removing a set of booby traps in an open field under observed enemy artillery and small arms fire, assuring a safe passage for the advancing infantrymen. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Utah.

✓ DEWEY LARSON, 37467357, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom, France. An engineer platoon, advancing toward the Moselle River, was caught in an intense artillery barrage which inflicted many casualties upon the platoon. Despite the intense fire, Private First Class Larson administered first aid to the wounded and personally carried one man one-half mile to an aid station. Returning, he found another casualty in a culvert. Finding the wounded man too heavy to carry, he went back through the intense shellfire to the aid station and obtained a litter team to evacuate the casualty. His heroic achievement saved the lives of two men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

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I. AWARD OF FOURTH 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 three Oak-Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a fourth Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ JAKE R. PARTON, 37189194, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Staff Sergeant Parton worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, securing and directing a steady flow of supplies from the river to the regimental supply dump. His heroic service helped relieve a critical situation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

II. 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 an Oak-Leaf Cluster previously awarded, a second Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ J. B. LATHAM, 38301080, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private First Class Latham accompanied a hand carrying party, transporting supplies from the river bank to the regimental supply dumps. On the second trip of the mile long route, the party was subjected to an intense enemy artillery barrage. Though wounded in the foot by shrapnel, Private First Class Latham, aware of the need of supplies, carried his heavy load to the supply dump before consenting to evacuation. His heroic service greatly inspired his comrades and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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:

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✓ RICHARD W. STADLER, 37171213, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Technical Sergeant Stadler worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, securing and directing a steady flow of supplies from the river to the regimental supply dump. His heroic service helped relieve a critical situation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ WILLIAM E. HOLDER, 35610703, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Staff Sergeant Holder worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, securing and directing a steady flow of supplies from the river to the regimental supply dump. His heroic service helped relieve a critical situation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

✓ CARROLL A. JOHNSON, 38099062, Sergeant (then private), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Sergeant Johnson worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, securing and directing a steady flow of supplies from the river to the regimental supply dump. His heroic service helped relieve a critical situation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ WILLIAM R. WILLIS, 33388428, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Sergeant Willis supervised a carrying party on several trips across the treacherous river. He then led his men over difficult and unknown terrain while under constant enemy fire to successfully deliver urgently needed supplies to the proper destination. As a result of Sergeant Willis' exemplary leadership, a constant flow of supplies was maintained which aided materially in the accomplishment of the battalion's mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

✓ EPIFANIO MALDONADO, 38103791, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. A five man patrol of which Private First Class Maldonado was a member was given the important mission of contacting elements of another regiment. While engaged in this assignment, the group entered an enemy minefield and suffered two casualties. Private First Class Maldonado remained with the wounded men, rendered first aid and evacuated them and a third casualty to an aid station 3000 yards distant. His courageous devotion to duty in making proper disposition of the wounded allowed two members of the patrol to continue on the mission and complete the assignment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

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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)

✓ DONALD G. FLOYD, 38590891, Staff Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 August 1944 in the vicinity of Mayenne, France. After occupying and securing a group of buildings and capturing one enemy, Staff Sergeant Floyd led his squad in search of more hostile troops. When fire from two machine guns temporarily halted the advance, Staff Sergeant Floyd led a small group of men to a flanking position where he directed accurate fire upon the hostile crews, forcing them to withdraw. Making further reconnaissance, he located a harassing sniper and killed him. Through his expert and courageous leadership, the area was cleared of the enemy and the company was able to move forward and complete its mission without sustaining a casualty. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

V—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:

✓ SANFORD O. RAMSTAD, 37171697, Staff Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Staff Sergeant Ramstad worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, securing and directing a steady flow of supplies from the river to the regimental supply dump. His heroic service helped relieve a critical situation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ JOHN A. ROSS, 37190302, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Staff Sergeant Ross worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, securing and directing a steady flow of supplies from the river to the regimental supply dump. His heroic service helped relieve a critical situation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

✓ HUBE C. TALLEY, 38024806, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany, from 6 to 11 December 1944. During a series of enemy counterattacks, Staff Sergeant Talley, while constantly exposed to fire of various calibers, organized his men into an efficient fighting force and courageously led them in several engagements with the foe. So inspiring was his leadership that all the counterattacks were repelled and the security of the company's position was maintained. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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✓ GERARD G. ASCHER, 42037468, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of Gerlfangen, Germany. Two men were wounded seriously by a hostile artillery barrage and were in need of immediate evacuation. Sergeant Ascher, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced through three-fourths of a mile of dense woods under complete blackness and intermittent shellfire to reach medical aid. He then guided the aid men and litter bearers back over the same hazardous route and reached the casualties. His heroic service expedited the treatment and evacuation of the wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ JAMES GASTON, JR., 38146583, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. During an attack on the town, the advance of an infantry company was temporarily halted by fire from a large building. Sergeant Gaston led his squad through intense fire of various calibers, established a strategically located machine gun position to the rear of the building and directed accurate fire upon the stronghold. His courageous act aided materially in the killing of several enemy, the capture of 55 and the destruction of the strongpoint. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ EDMUND M. HOWSKY, 33413415, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Sergeant Howsky was maintaining a stream of machine gun fire upon an embrasure of a pillbox, enabling infantrymen to advance upon the fortification. When hostile shellfire destroyed his gun, he ran to a recently captured pillbox, reassembled the parts of a German machine gun found within and quickly returned to his original position to put the weapon into action. His fire permitted the advancing troops to reach and capture the strongpoint without a casualty. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ JAMES E. KOEHLER, 35297477, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sönlez, Luxembourg. One section of Sergeant Koehler's machine gun platoon accompanied a rifle platoon in an assault which captured a mill. When the platoon leader was wounded, the remainder of the platoon became temporarily disorganized. Without hesitation, Sergeant Koehler assumed command. After directing fire support which enabled the remainder of the rifle company to advance, he led his section through heavy small arms fire forward to help defend the captured mill. There, he found the other section had suffered heavy casualties. After reorganizing both sections, he assumed command of the entire platoon and formed hand carrying parties to replenish the platoon's supply of ammunition. Sergeant Koehler then placed his machine guns in such strategic positions that all counterattacks were repelled and 131 enemy were captured. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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✓ LEWIS A. MORELAND, 37153783, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the period 8 to 11 December 1944, Sergeant Moreland distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. When other platoon runners became casualties, he voluntarily assumed and performed their duties with precision and dispatch. By his courageous and tireless actions, he effected close liaison between elements of his company when it was of utmost importance. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ ELSWORTH O. WILSON, 37256392, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in France on 7 July and 8 August, 1944. Sergeant Wilson distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as motor sergeant. He worked indefatigably night and day transporting ammunition through intense artillery and mortar fire to front line troops. During the operations of a task force, he kept all vehicles so adequately supplied with gasoline that the convoy progressed without interruption to its assigned destination. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ ARTHUR W. COTTRELL, 37155374, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 16 October 1944 in the vicinity of D'Hagandange and Maizieres les Metz, France. During the battle for the town, the indefatigable energy with which Technician Fourth Grade Cottrell worked contributed immeasurably to the maintenance of damaged vehicles. On one occasion a 1/2-ton vehicle was disabled by shell fragments. He, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, went forward and, despite intense hostile fire, made temporary repairs on the truck and drove it back to the motor pool. His courageous actions and complete devotion to duty aided in the maintenance of a steady flow of supplies to the forward elements and the success of the mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ RICHARD R. LONG, 38099875, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Technician Fourth Grade Long worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, carrying supplies to the front lines and, on return trips, evacuating casualties. His heroic service contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of the combat troops and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ EDMUND H. JERKE, 37155038, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. A counterattacking force penetrated a battalion line and gained a point from which it fired directly upon mortar positions. Despite his exposed position, Corporal Jerke continued to operate his mortar and scored direct hits upon key enemy machine gun emplacements to help repel the hostile force. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

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✓ **ELMER H. HECKERT**, 37153854, Technician Fifth Grade (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. An important communication line was severed by heavy enemy artillery fire. Technician Fifth Grade Heckert, without regard for his personal safety, volunteered to repair the wire, fully aware that the area was under continuous shelling. While repairing the line, Technician Fifth Grade Heckert was wounded. Disregarding the pain, he refused to return for medical treatment until his mission was completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ **WALTER HUMPHREY**, 38146874, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Technician Fifth Grade Humphrey worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, carrying supplies to the front lines and, on return trips, evacuating casualties. His heroic service contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of the combat troops and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ **CLIFFORD M. BASNETT**, 38149218, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. A counterattacking force penetrated a battalion line and gained a point from which it fired directly upon mortar positions. Despite his exposed position, Private First Class Basnett continued to operate his mortar and scored direct hits upon key enemy machine gun emplacements to help repel the hostile force. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ **GEORGE R. BLINN**, 32922465, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 7 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chammes, France. During an attack on the town, Private First Class Blinn exposed himself to mortar and small arms fire and maintained constant radio communications. When he was wounded by shellfire, he refused medical treatment and stayed at his post to keep all communications intact until the battalion mission was successfully completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ **FRANK S. BUCZEK**, 35578373, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. A five man patrol of which Private First Class Buczek was a member, was given the important mission of contacting elements of another regiment. While engaged in this assignment, the group came upon an enemy minefield, resulting in two casualties. Leaving two comrades to treat the wounded men, Private First Class Buczek, with a companion, maneuvered his way over the hazardous area and completed the mission. He then returned to the minefield and assisted in the evacuation of the casualties to an aid station 3000 yards distant. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

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✓ JESSIE E. CARLISLE, 34876326, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of Gerlfangen, Germany. Two men were wounded seriously by a hostile artillery barrage and were in need of immediate evacuation. Private First Class Carlisle, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, advanced through three-fourths of a mile of dense woods under complete blackness and intermittent shellfire to reach medical aid. He then guided the aid men and litter bearers back over the same hazardous route and reached the casualties. His heroic service expedited the treatment and evacuation of the wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

✓ ROSCOE H. DAWSON, 37179734, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations during the periods 6 - 14 July 1944 and 6 - 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Beau Coudray, France, and Pachten, Germany. During the battle, Private First Class Dawson continually drove his  $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle through areas almost impassable due to terrain features and heavy enemy shellfire, transporting rations and ammunition. Though warned of infiltrated enemy troops, he fearlessly continued on his mission. On one of his trips, he captured an enemy soldier. Later, he assisted hand carrying parties in delivering rations to the assault echelons while again subjected to enemy shellfire. His heroic service fulfilled the supply demands of his company and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ EMMETT C. GRASTY, JR., 38100544, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Berle, Luxembourg. During a heavy artillery and mortar barrage, Private First Class Grasty discovered a camouflage net burning on his trailer, which was loaded with ammunition. He obtained a fire extinguisher and put out the fire and then removed the remains of the net and the cover of the trailer and found the shell case on a white phosphorus shell burning. Despite the continued intense artillery and mortar fire, he secured another fire extinguisher from a nearby vehicle, but failing to extinguish the blaze by this method, smothered the fire with snow and dirt. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

✓ CHARLIE C. HEINZKE, JR., 38155093, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a counterattack, the enemy was forced to withdraw 100 yards, but continued to harass the mortar platoon with sniper fire. Private First Class Heinzke, who had a knowledge of the German language, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy fire of various calibers, made his way to the hostile position and persuaded the remaining 27 enemy to surrender. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ EDWARD D. HILL, 37172168, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 28 and 29 October 1944 in the vicinity of Kaizle les Metz, France. During the attack in the town, heavy artillery and mortar barrages repeatedly cut the wire lines between the company command post and the platoons. Private First Class Hill, Platoon Runner, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself

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to the intense fire and repaired the shattered communication lines. Despite the continued fire of various calibers, he also carried supplies and ammunition to the front line troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ KENNETH E. LONEY, 35402820, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Private First Class Loney worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, carrying supplies to the front lines and, on return trips, evacuating casualties. His heroic service contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of the combat troops and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

✓ MARVIN R. MARSH, 35914746, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. A numerically superior enemy counter-attack forced a platoon to secure a more tactical position. Private First Class Marsh, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, exposed himself to intense fire while fighting a delaying action to cover the platoon until new positions were attained. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

✓ ERWIN L. MULLIN, 37179347, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Private First Class Mullin worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, carrying supplies to the front lines and, on return trips, evacuating casualties. His heroic service contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of the combat troops and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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✓ JOSEPH NOROWSKI, 42070974, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. A carrying party, returning from the bank of the Saar River, was subjected to a heavy artillery barrage which caused several casualties. Private First Class Norowski, advancing from the rear of the column, observed a wounded companion and attempted to move him but discovered movement was inadvisable due to the severity of the wounds. He then, despite the intense shellfire, administered first aid to the wounded man, covered him with extra clothes to prevent shock and notified the battalion aid station of the casualty's location. His heroic achievement saved the life of a comrade and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ WESLEY A. PATCHELL, 37107972, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. As a member of a hand carrying supply party during the Saar River operation, Private First Class Patchell subjected himself to heavy observed fire and carried critically needed supplies from the river bank over difficult terrain to a regimental supply dump one mile away. On one occasion, while the supply detail was subjected to intense artillery and mortar fire, he was wounded

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in the leg and subsequently evacuated. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

✓ ALBERT T. RUSSELL, 32823696, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. A five man patrol of which Private First Class Russell was a member was given the important mission of contacting elements of another regiment. While engaged in this assignment, the group entered an enemy minefield and suffered two casualties. Private First Class Russell remained with the wounded men, rendered first aid and evacuated them and a third casualty to an aid station 3000 yards distant. His courageous devotion to duty in making proper disposition of the wounded allowed two members of the patrol to continue on the mission and complete the assignment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ WILLIAM E. SCOTT, 37107609, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 12 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, the shortage of supplies at the front lines became critical. Private First Class Scott worked day and night under constant enemy observed fire, carrying supplies to the front lines and, on return trips, evacuating casualties. His heroic service contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of the combat troops and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ GARLAND W. SPARKS, 37190385, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Private First Class Sparks was wounded while taking a message from his Commanding Officer to a platoon leader. Realizing the importance of the message, he continued on his mission, despite his wound and the intense fire, delivered the message to the platoon leader and returned with his reply. He then, without mentioning his wound, delivered a second message. Only after he had returned did he submit to first aid. He, although wounded again, continued to deliver messages for the company until the action was completed and then was evacuated. His heroic service contributed to the success of the mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ THOMAS L. CARTER, JR., 34605437, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sonlez, Luxembourg. An infantry platoon, after capturing and occupying a strongly fortified position, was subjected to intense small arms fire from all sides. All machine gun ammunition was expended and it was vitally necessary to obtain an additional supply. Private First Class Carter, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, returned through the intense fire and obtained the vital ammunition. His courageous action and complete devotion to duty enabled the small garrison to hold the position until reinforcements arrived. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

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✓ JACOB COHEN, 42044608, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 7 and 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. After a heavy mortar barrage, two men were found to be missing from a platoon's hand carrying party engaged in transporting supplies from the bank of the Saar River to the regimental supply dump. On his own initiative, Private Cohen retraced the route followed by the supply party and discovered that one of the men was killed and the other was wounded. He assisted in evacuating the wounded man to an aid station and then rejoined his group. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ CHARLES B. JOHNSON, 36897937, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. During an attack, Private Johnson's squad leader was wounded seriously by an enemy mortar barrage. Fearing the man would die unless given immediate medical treatment, Private Johnson subjected himself to the continued fire, located a litter team and had the casualty evacuated. His heroic service saved the wounded man's life and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

✓ CHARLIE WATKINS, 34893783, Private, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Berle, Luxembourg. Private Watkins distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as aid man. When an enemy shell made a direct hit on a house, inflicting several casualties, he rushed to the scene to render first aid. Despite continued artillery and mortar concentrations, he remained with the wounded, administered medical treatment to them and assisted in their evacuation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

✓ HYMAN WEXLER, 36707677, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While a platoon forming a road block was separated from the company, the establishment of communications became vitally important. Private Wexler, aware of the requirement, voluntarily took a reel of wire and, enlisting the aid of another platoon runner, laid a telephone line to the platoon. He then established a line to the battalion observation post. When the lines were cut by artillery concentrations, Private Wexler, despite the fact that the enemy partially surrounded the platoon, advanced under fire to locate and repair the breaks. He continued this work, in addition to his regular duties, until wounded and evacuated. 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:

✓ ORVILLE COLE, 37190395, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 November 1944 in the vicinity of Oberleuken, Germany. A platoon holding a commanding site was pinned down by support machine gun fire of an attacking enemy force. Sergeant Cole, voluntarily and at risk of his life, moved to a position from which he fired on the machine gun emplacement until his rifle was hit by hostile fire and rendered inoperative. He then crawled under intense fire to obtain an automatic rifle from a dead soldier, advanced to a commanding position and, with devastating fire, neutralized the enemy machine gun nest. His courageous action aided materially in routing the enemy and enabled the platoon to hold its commanding ground. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

✓ JAMES T. SPANGLER, 35773580, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During the battle for the town, the wire communication line from a company's forward position was broken by shellfire. Aware of an impending enemy counterattack and the vital necessity of wire communication, Private First Class Spangler volunteered to make repairs. He, at risk of his life, covered the entire length of the wire line from the forward position into the town. When a check revealed that the telephone was still inoperative, he unhesitatingly returned over the heavily shelled wire route and, in the face of sniper fire, made additional repairs. His courageous action and devotion to duty made telephone communications with the rear elements of the company possible which materially aided the routing of the enemy in the subsequent counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

✓ HENRY E. STETSON, 31375358, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During a heavy counterattack, direct fire from a half-track threatened to demolish a house used by the company as a command post. Private First Class Stetson, at risk of his life, subjected himself to fire of various calibers, hastened into the street with a bazooka and, firing a round at the half-track, disabled the vehicle and routed its occupants. Hearing

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another half-track moving down a street to the rear of the building, he hurried back and, with accurate bazooka fire, forced it to withdraw. His courageous and audacious action saved the personnel of the command post from possible death or capture. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Hampshire.

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:

✓ LEONARD H. ROMANO, 32907517, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack near the town, the advance of an infantry company was temporarily halted by bazooka, machine gun and rifle fire from an enemy stronghold. Staff Sergeant Romano, on his own initiative, ordered a previously captured enemy soldier to walk toward the enemy emplacement while he himself followed close behind and, upon approaching the strongpoint, instructed the prisoner to demand the surrender of the occupants. As a result of the courageous act of Staff Sergeant Romano, the entire group of 12 enemy surrendered without resistance, and the company was enabled to continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

✓ DAVID W. MILLER, 33508753, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bonchamps, Belgium. While evacuating 17 prisoners, Private First Class Miller was subjected to heavy small arms fire which prompted the captives to attempt to disperse. Selflessly exposing himself to the hostile fire, Private First Class Miller, though wounded severely, reorganized the group and prevented any of the enemy from escaping. Although he died of the wounds sustained in this action, his courageous act will be an undying inspiration to his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ JOSEPH SCANIO, 38499300, Private First Class, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Distroff, France. During an enemy counter-attack, Private First Class Scanio moved into the town in the face of small arms fire to evacuate casualties. Later, an infantry squad was ambushed and received heavy casualties, including a seriously wounded officer. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Scanio and his litter squad, ignoring the proximity of artillery and direct machine gun fire, made their way to the casualties and successfully evacuated them. His heroic service saved the lives of many wounded men and 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:

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✓ THEODORE C. SCHROEDER, 0541743, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. While an infantry platoon protected two tank destroyers near the town, the enemy launched a heavy counterattack and demolished several buildings occupied by the platoon. Second Lieutenant Schroeder subjected himself to intense fire of various calibers, rallied the men and directed their movement to a more favorable position. Though wounded, he assisted in the evacuation of two casualties. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

✓ ARTHUR J. LAUNIER, 2011346, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bonchamps, Belgium. During the attack near the town, a platoon was pinned down by heavy tank and machine gun fire and several men, including the platoon leader, became casualties. Technical Sergeant Launier assumed command and, subjecting himself to the intense fire, led a squad to a strategic position and directed a harassing fire on the enemy while the rest of the platoon moved to a more favorable position. He then ordered the squad to join the platoon while he gave them covering fire. He subsequently reorganized the platoon and, despite the continued fire of various calibers, led a rescue party into an open field and evacuated the wounded men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

✓ NEEDHAM T. POTTER, 34457290, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bonchamps, Belgium. Intense fire from an enemy strongpoint impeded the advance of a rifle company. Without regard for his personal safety, Technical Sergeant Potter attempted to lead a squad in a flanking movement to deliver fire cover for his company. Forced back three times due to heavy casualties, he successfully maneuvered a fourth group into a commanding position from which he directed fire on the enemy emplacement. The fire was so effectively placed and accurate that the company was able to proceed and consolidate its newly won ground. Technical Sergeant Potter's aggressive and determined leadership was inspirational to his comrades. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

✓ CLARON B. CHRONISTER, 38292744, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. While an infantry platoon protected a group of tank destroyers near the town, the enemy launched a heavy counterattack and demolished several buildings occupied by the platoon. Staff Sergeant Chronister assisted the platoon leader in moving the men over a route subjected to intense mortar and machine gun fire to a more favorable position. He also aided in evacuating two wounded men, one of whom he carried to a position of comparative safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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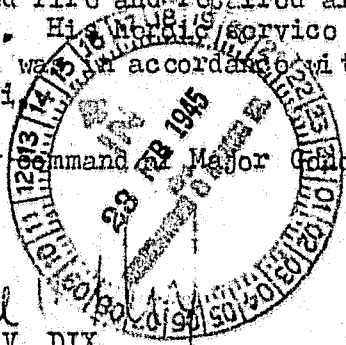
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PHILLIP A. GEBHARD, 35162485, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten and Dillingen, Germany. During the crucial days following the Saar River crossing, Staff Sergeant Gebhard contributed immeasurably to the maintenance of a steady flow of supplies to the forward assault forces. Under intense fire, he organized and led supply teams in ferrying supplies across the river and carrying them to the battalion command post. On one occasion, when the loading site was subjected to a heavy concentration of artillery fire, several casualties were sustained by the supply team. Though Staff Sergeant Gebhard was stunned by a nearby shell burst, he helped evacuate three wounded men to an area of comparative safety. He then organized litter bearers and led them in carrying the casualties to an aid station. His heroic service contributed to the success of the battalion mission and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

PAUL D. SHARPE, 34143647, Sergeant, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 15 November 1944 in the vicinity of Di stroff, France. During an enemy counterattack, Sergeant Sharpe moved into the town in the face of small arms fire to evacuate casualties. Later, an infantry squad was ambushed and received heavy casualties, including a seriously wounded officer. Without regard for his personal safety, Sergeant Sharpe and his litter squad, ignoring the proximity of artillery and direct machine gun fire, made their way to the casualties and successfully evacuated them. His heroic service saved the lives of many wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

JOHN T. BENNETT, 37138602, Corporal (then private first class), Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 to 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, communication lines on the river bank were disrupted repeatedly by hostile shellfire. Corporal Bennett worked indefatigably under the constant observed fire and repaired all breaks in the line to maintain the vital communications. His heroic service contributed materially to the success of the operation and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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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:

✓ EILAR M. JENSEN, 39213274, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. Fire from an enemy mortar inflicted several casualties upon a company. Sergeant Jensen, voluntarily and at risk of his life, went in search of the mortar. Advancing with a companion, he refused to be halted by the direct machine gun fire from troops surrounding his objective. Progressing steadily and firing his rifle accurately, he, with his companion, killed four enemy, captured 18 and destroyed the machine gun and mortar positions. Although Sergeant Jensen was killed in a later engagement with the enemy, his courageous action will be an undying inspiration to his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Washington.

✓ HARVEY O. EWING, 38099957, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During a counterattack, Private First Class Ewing advanced through intense hostile fire to an exposed position from which he could bring the most effective automatic rifle fire upon the enemy. At risk of his life, he maintained his dangerous position and continued his fire until he was killed by a shellburst. His courageous action so inspired his comrades that they held their ground and repelled the counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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:

✓ JAMES L. CONLEY, 34434718, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. Fire from an enemy mortar inflicted several casualties upon a company. Staff Sergeant Conley, voluntarily and at risk of his life, went in search of the mortar. Advancing with a companion, he refused to be halted by direct machine gun fire from troops surrounding his objective. Progressing steadily and firing his rifle accurately, he, with his companion, killed four enemy, captured 18 and destroyed the machine gun and mortar positions. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

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✓ **LOYD JONES**, 37138498, Corporal (then private first class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hattange, France. During a twilight enemy counterattack supported by tanks, Corporal Jones took his post as first gunner of an antitank gun. Although his gun was hit by small arms fire, and artillery and mortar shells were exploding nearby, Corporal Jones held his fire until the tanks could be sighted. When the enemy noticed the muzzle blast of his gun and placed intense fire on his position, he, at risk of his life, remained at his gun and, with accurate fire, disabled two of the three visible tanks and forced the remaining one to withdraw. He then secured a rifle and placed effective fire on the advanced infantrymen. By his courageous action and devotion to duty he contributed materially to the wounding of the enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ **ARLIN E. WINDEAM**, 38105311, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 11 to 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Corporal Windham directed the forrying of carrying parties across the unbridgeable current through intense enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire and delivered food and ammunition to front line troops. At risk of his life, he advanced through continued shelling and pioneered a supply route which proved of inestimable value in subsequent supply operations. His courageous action contributed materially to the maintenance of an excellent regimental supply system during the river crossing. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ **HENRY F. HESLER**, 38104400, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack, an automatic rifleman was killed. Private First Class Hesler took over the casualty's weapon and advanced at risk of his life to an exposed position. Despite the heavy fire centered upon him, he fired the gun effectively, killing one enemy and forcing the remainder of the attackers into a position from which they were killed by friendly troops. His gallant action helped defeat the counterattack and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

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:

✓ **ALBERT LEFEBVRE**, 38000503, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 and 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling and Hunting, France. During a reconnaissance in the town, Technical Sergeant Lefebvre learned that an enemy detachment in a fortified house was impeding the advance of Company \*\*. While returning to his antitank squad with this information, he captured two observers.

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Upon reaching his squad, he directed accurate antitank gun fire on the building and forced the quick surrender of 23 enemy. Later, when a company was in need of ammunition, he, with a companion, drove a vehicle over a route subjected to heavy fire of various calibers and obtained the ammunition. On the return trip an enemy patrol halted the vehicle, but by Technical Sergeant Lefebvre's aggressive action, the 10 members of the patrol were captured. He, with his comrade, then delivered the critically needed ammunition to the company. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

IV--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:

*Approved by G.O.# 190-28 Feb. 45*  
✓ JOHN C. WALKER, JR., 54399497, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, Sergeant Walker, with a companion, crawled through intense fire of various calibers to a wounded comrade, gave him first aid and carried him to a safe position. Despite continued shelling, Sergeant Walker remained in the exposed area and effected the evacuation of several more casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

V--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:

✓ OTHO E. MOORE, 20732501, Technical Sergeant (then staff sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 and 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. Having successfully crossed the Mosolle River, Technical Sergeant Moore led his antitank squad into the town of Malling, France. While en route to a nearby rifle company, he captured four enemy soldiers. Contacting the infantry commander, he learned of an enemy fortified house impeding the company's advance. Immediately, Technical Sergeant Moore returned to his squad and moved it into a position to fire on the strongpoint. Then, from a position exposed to heavy enemy fire, he directed such accurate fire that the fortification was quickly neutralized.

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forcing the surrender of 23 enemy. Later, during an enemy counterattack, he led his squad through heavy tank and small arms fire to a select position. Deploying his squad as riflemen, he operated the 57mm gun alone until two enemy tanks were destroyed and the counterattack repelled. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ EVERETT H. ROECKER, 37156480, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. Technical Sergeant Roecker led his platoon in an attack on enemy positions. Making personal reconnaissance through wooded areas under constant enemy fire, he directed his men expertly and courageously. Although he was wounded in this action, his leadership inspired the platoon to continue on to the objective. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ PETER STROH, 37169698, Technical Sergeant (then staff sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack, two platoons of the company were pinned down by heavy fire from two machine guns. Technical Sergeant Stroh, with a second squad leader, quickly led their squads, in the face of intense fire, around the right flank of the machine gun positions, surprised the enemy, killed three, captured one and routed the remaining troops. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ RALPH O. BUIRGE, 37171208, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fromersdorf, Germany. The position held by Staff Sergeant Buirge and his squad was heavily shelled by enemy artillery, inflicting several casualties. Though severely wounded Staff Sergeant Buirge sought aid to evacuate the casualties. Despite the continued heavy enemy artillery fire, he reorganized the remainder of his squad and led them to a place of safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ WILLIAM W. HAWK, 37155260, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an attack, two platoons of the company were pinned down by heavy fire from two machine guns. Staff Sergeant Hawk, with a second squad leader, quickly led their squads, in the face of intense fire, around the right flank of the machine gun positions, surprised the enemy, killed three, captured one and routed the remaining troops. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

✓ CHARLES W. MARTIN, JR., 32527008, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, Staff Sergeant Martin, with a companion, crawled through intense fire of various calibers to a wounded comrade, gave him first aid and carried him to a safe position. Despite continued shelling, Staff Sergeant Martin remained in the exposed area and effected the evacuation of several more casualties. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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✓ RAY H. FRANKS, 34624571, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack on the left flank of a platoon, an automatic rifleman of Sergeant Franks' squad exhausted his supply of ammunition. Sergeant Franks, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, returned to the rear under intense enemy fire, obtained a supply of ammunition and successfully worked his way to the position of the rifleman. His heroic achievement contributed materially to the routing of the enemy and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

✓ WILBUR W. BUTLER, 38103733, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Frémersdorf, Germany. The position held by Corporal Butler and his squad was heavily shelled by enemy artillery, inflicting several casualties. Corporal Butler, though wounded in two places by shrapnel, completely disregarded his wounds and administered first aid to the casualties. Realizing that the wounded were in need of further medical aid and evacuation, he advanced under the continued shell fire approximately 300 yards and secured litter bearers to successfully evacuate the wounded. Only then did he consent to be evacuated for his own wounds. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

✓ JAMES M. HOWELL, 38099787, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 13 and 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bohooy, Luxembourg. During an attack, a wounded man was lying in a dangerously exposed position. Technician Fifth Grade Howell left a position of comparative safety, advanced through intense mortar and small arms fire to the casualty, administered first aid and remained with him until he could be evacuated. On the following day, he again subjected himself to hostile fire to treat another casualty and carry him for 300 yards to a place of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ WILLIAM F. BADER, 37665639, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. Private First Class Bader was a member of an anti-tank squad which was subjected to a heavy tank attack, supported by approximately 400 infantrymen. Despite intense mortar and small arms fire, he assisted in placing the gun into action. He then established and maintained a position as rifleman until his squad leader called upon him to obtain ammunition for the antitank gun. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Bader made three trips under intense mortar, tank and small arms fire and secured the vital ammunition. Returning to his position again as rifleman, he maintained effective fire on the enemy, killing four and wounding several. His heroic achievement enabled the squad to rout the attacking force and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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✓ SALVADOR E. GARCIA, 38103611, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. Private First Class Garcia was a member of an anti-tank squad which was subjected to a heavy tank attack, supported by approximately 400 infantrymen. Despite intense mortar and small arms fire, he assisted in placing the gun into action. He then established and maintained a position as rifleman until his squad leader called upon him to obtain ammunition for the antitank gun. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Garcia made three trips under intense mortar, tank and small arms fire and secured the vital ammunition. Returning to his position again as rifleman, he maintained effective fire on the enemy, killing four and wounding several. His heroic achievement enabled the squad to rout the attacking force and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ RUSSELL C. GRAY, 31403308, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in operations on 2 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fremersdorf, Germany. When a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage cut the wire line between three antitank gun positions and an observation post, Private First Class Gray volunteered to repair the breaks in the line. Though repeatedly subjected to heavy mortar and machine gun fire, he succeeded in repairing the shattered wire line and in reestablishing communications. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Vermont.

DEAN KRAFT, 39701148, Private First Class (then private), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fremersdorf, Germany. While occupying an antitank position within a house, Private First Class Kraft's squad was subjected to an intense concentration of enemy artillery, rifle and machine gun fire. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Kraft stood in the doorway of the house, exposed to enemy fire, and directed his squad's fire until he was wounded by shrapnel. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

✓ MILTON G. MASON, 18082335, Private First Class (then private), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Petite Hettange, France. During an enemy counterattack, Private First Class Mason helped man an antitank gun at a vital crossroad. When hostile infantrymen advanced to within dangerous proximity of his position, he obtained a machine gun and, despite heavy mortar, tank and small arms fire centered upon him, fired his gun accurately upon the approaching force. His effective fire inflicted numerous casualties upon the enemy and helped repel the attackers. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ ARMAND MAZZOCCO, 36700546, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fremersdorf, Germany. Private First Class Mazzocco was a member of an anti-tank squad in position on the first floor of a house in the town. While maintaining fire on enemy pillboxes located approximately 400 yards to the front of the building, the squad members were observed by the enemy and subjected to an intense concentration of artillery fire which disabled the gun and inflicted several casualties. Despite the intense barrage, Private First Class Mazzocco remained at the position, administered first aid to the wounded and assisted

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them to a place of comparative safety. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

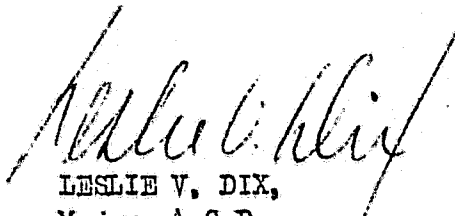
VICTOR H. STROMME, 37171694, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 9 to 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling and Petite Hettange, France. As driver of a prime mover for a 57mm antitank gun, Private First Class Stromme offered invaluable assistance to his unit during the initial engagement across the Moselle River. When not engaged in his assigned duties he, despite intense artillery, mortar and sniper fire, voluntarily hauled rations and ammunition to the front and evacuated casualties to the aid station. On one occasion, when evacuating wounded men to the rear, he encountered a 12 man enemy patrol and persuaded the entire group to surrender. When his truck was destroyed by enemy fire during a counterattack, he carried ammunition by hand to his gun crew until the attackers were routed. His heroic service contributed to the fighting efficiency of his unit and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

EDWARD J. WENDOWSKI, 33796746, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an engagement with the enemy, a soldier became a casualty in an area constantly exposed to enemy fire of various calibers. Without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Wendowski remained with the wounded man for four hours and treated his wounds. When a well concealed sniper began firing at them, Private First Class Wendowski advanced toward the enemy rifleman, located him and killed him with accurate rifle fire. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

RALPH LYBERG, 37173021, Private, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Fromersdorf, Germany. Private Lyberg distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as antitank Cannoneer. During an engagement with the enemy, Private Lyberg remained at his post, despite an intense concentration of artillery shelling directed upon his position, and registered accurate fire upon the enemy. Though several of his comrades standing in proximity to him became casualties, he continued to fire upon the foe until his mission was completed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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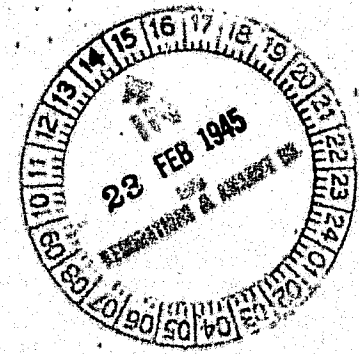
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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR---. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

✓ MORSE JOHNSON, 15088944, Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack on the town, Sergeant Johnson drove his tank to a commanding site and supported another armored vehicle in repelling numerous counterattacks. By directing accurate tank fire on the hostile forces, he immobilized five tanks and one half-track vehicle, killed an innumerable number of the enemy, and assisted in the capture of many more. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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:

✓ ROBERT E. ATRIP, 6984000, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 12 to 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When the leader of an assault gun platoon became a casualty and was evacuated, Staff Sergeant Atrip assumed command, led the troops across the Saar River and joined in the attack against enemy positions on the far side. He reconnoitered routes within 100 yards of hostile pillboxes and, by directing accurate fire on the fortifications, routed the enemy and took many captives. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

✓ HOWARD D. OLSEN, 36201886, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg, from 15 to 19 January 1945. Staff Sergeant Olsen distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Platoon Sergeant. During an enemy counterattack on the town, he moved his tanks into a commanding position and engaged them in point blank fire with the enemy. Under his expert supervision, five enemy tanks and one half-track were destroyed, many prisoners were taken and the counterattack was repelled. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

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✓ JOHN F. YOUNG, 31178903, Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, concrete piercing fuses, which were on an immobilized truck across the river, were needed for use against enemy pillboxes. Despite intense artillery and mortar fire, Sergeant Young, accompanied by a companion, crossed the flooded torrent, obtained the vital fuses and returned to his platoon. His courageous act and complete devotion to duty facilitated the destruction of the fortifications and contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Hampshire.

✓ EDWARD S. MURPHY, 33071543, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack on the town, Technician Fourth Grade Murphy drove his tank to a commanding site and repelled numerous counterattacks. By directing accurate tank fire on the hostile forces, he immobilized five tanks and one half-track vehicle, killed an innumerable number of the enemy and assisted in the capture of many more. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ THOMAS J. MOORE, 34005389, Corporal, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counterattack on the town, Corporal Moore, Gunner, moved with his tank into a commanding position to engage the enemy. He directed such accurate fire upon the foe that six armored vehicles were destroyed, many of the enemy were killed and the counterattack was repelled. His heroic achievement maintained the security of his company's position in the town and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

✓ JAMES C. PACK, 38297870, Corporal, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counterattack on the town, Corporal Pack, Gunner, moved with his tank into a commanding position to engage the enemy. He directed such accurate fire upon the foe that six armored vehicles were destroyed, many of the enemy were killed and the counterattack was repelled. His heroic achievement maintained the security of his company's position in the town and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ EDWARD F. RITZ, 31273407, Corporal, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operations, concrete piercing fuses, which were on an immobilized truck across the river, were needed for use against enemy pillboxes. Despite intense artillery and mortar fire, Corporal Ritz, accompanied by a companion, crossed the flooded torrent, obtained the vital fuses and returned to his platoon. His courageous act and complete devotion to duty facilitated the destruction of the fortifications and contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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RAIDELL CRAWFORD, 36005221, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Crawford drove his tank to a commanding site and repelled numerous counterattacks. By directing accurate tank fire on the hostile forces, he immobilized five tanks and one half-track vehicle, killed an innumerable number of the enemy and assisted in the capture of many more. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

DURWARD H. ADAMS, 34409692, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 and 18 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Adams acted as a guide on the far shore. Without regard for his personal safety, he guided troops and vehicles along a partly submerged road while subjected to continuous enemy mortar and artillery fire. His keen foresight and excellent leadership facilitated movement of troops and supplies to the forward areas over the treacherous route. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Florida.

REED T. FOSTER, 38275731, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counterattack on the town, Private First Class Foster, Gunner, moved with his tank into a commanding position to engage the enemy. He directed such accurate fire upon the foe that six armored vehicles were destroyed, many of the enemy were killed and the counterattack was repelled. His heroic achievement maintained the security of his company's position in the town and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

GEORGE A. McAFEE, 33465264, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counterattack on the town, Private First Class McAfee, Gunner, moved with his tank into a commanding position to engage the enemy. He directed such accurate fire upon the foe that six armored vehicles were destroyed, many of the enemy were killed and the counterattack was repelled. His heroic achievement maintained the security of his company's position in the town and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

DONNIE L. SNEED, 34494609, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. Private First Class Sneed, a tank crew member, accompanied an infantry assault unit, rendering fire support in capturing the town. During a four day series of enemy counterattacks, he expertly maintained the operating efficiency of his tank gun, which resulted in the destruction of five enemy tanks and one half-track vehicle and many enemy killed and captured. Private First Class Sneed's indefatigable energy was a contributing factor in the rout of the enemy. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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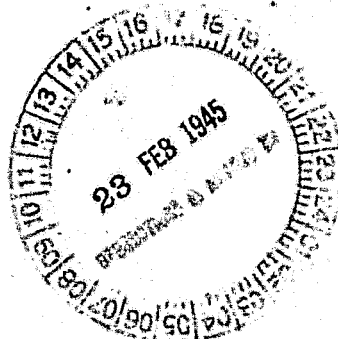
PAUL J. VETRONE, 33594595, Private First Class, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 15 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. Private First Class Vetrone, a member of a tank gun crew, accompanied an infantry assault unit, rendering fire support in capturing the town. During a four day series of enemy counterattacks, he expertly maintained the operating efficiency of his tank gun, which resulted in the destruction of five enemy tanks and one half-track vehicle and many enemy killed and captured. Private First Class Vetrone's indefatigable energy was a contributing factor in the rout of the enemy. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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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 S. BREMER, 0392966, Captain, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. An infantry battalion, occupying positions in the town, was subjected to a heavy counterattack by three tanks and supporting infantry. Though exposed to point blank cannon fire, Captain Bremer remained at his observation post on the second floor of a building and directed artillery fire on the attacking force. With accurate artillery registrations, he disabled the lead tank, which facilitated its destruction by a bazooka team. The crew of the second tank then traversed their cannon to fire on the room he occupied, but Captain Bremer, observing this action, quickly picked up his radio set and ran to an adjoining room before a direct hit destroyed his previous position. From his new post, he continued to direct fire on the enemy until the three tanks were destroyed and the hostile infantry routed. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ ROBERT C. GOSSIN, 01177413, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. An infantry battalion, occupying positions in the town, was subjected to a heavy counterattack by three tanks and supporting infantry. Though exposed to point blank cannon fire, First Lieutenant Gossin remained at his observation post on the second floor of a building and directed artillery fire on the attacking force. With accurate artillery registrations, he disabled the lead tank, which facilitated its destruction by a bazooka team. The crew of the second tank then traversed their cannon to fire on the room he occupied, but First Lieutenant Gossin, observing this action, quickly picked up his radio set and ran to an adjoining room before a direct hit destroyed his previous position. From his new post, he continued to direct fire on the enemy until the three tanks were destroyed and the hostile infantry routed. His gallantry was in accordance with high 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:

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✓ CLINT W. BRACHER, 0396759, Captain, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations during the period 6 to 12 December 1944 in Germany. During the Saar River operation, the inability to get vehicles across the raging torrent forced Captain Bracher to hand carry his radio over difficult terrain under intense fire. Without regard for his own safety, he exposed himself to constant enemy fire in occupying positions from which he could direct effective fire upon the enemy. As a result of his untiring efforts and devotion to duty, he contributed materially to the capture of Dillingen, Germany and its environs. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ WILMER R. SARGENT, 38062894, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma. *only*

III--AWARD OF FOURTH OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section 7, 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 is awarded to:

✓ LLOYD A. WATLAND, 0541517, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 16 November to 31 December 1944, as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

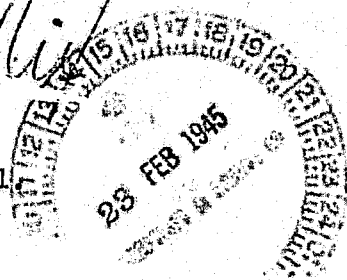
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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR-. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

✓ WAYNE K. LYBECK, 7172141, First Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. An infantry company was given the mission of capturing the center section of the town. While advancing across open terrain during the initial assault, heavy machine gun fire threatened to disorganize the men. Realizing the critical situation, First Sergeant Lybeck, at risk of his life, exposed himself to the intense fire as he advanced across the open ground to reorganize the unit and encourage individual aggressiveness necessary to continue the attack. Though he was wounded mortally while rallying the men, the courageous action he displayed will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ DAVID F. STOCKTON, 36884807, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 12 to 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Subsequent to the crossing of the Saar River, all but two members of an infantry platoon occupying an entrenched position became casualties. Though wounded, Sergeant Stockton, one of the two men left, remained in the trench despite intense shelling and fired a machine gun upon the counterattacking foe. By accurately operating his weapon, he killed and wounded several of the enemy, which aided materially in repelling the counterattack. His gallantry 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:

✓ ALBERT F. LAMBRIGHT, 38098899, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When a platoon of infantry was cut off and surrounded by a numerically superior enemy force, Technical Sergeant Lambright deployed his men and placed them in strategic positions from which to resist the foe. When the supply of ammunition and rations became depleted, he led a carrying party through enemy lines and returned with the critically needed items. Despite intense artillery, small arms and hand grenade fire, he advanced from man to man and encouraged them to hold their ground in the face of overwhelming odds. So inspiring was his

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leadership that the counterattack was repelled, and the security of the platoon's position was maintained. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

RICHARD L. BROWN, 34679000, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sonlez, Luxembourg. During an attack on an enemy held hill, Staff Sergeant Brown, at risk of his life, charged a machine gun nest, wounded two of the crew with accurate rifle fire and captured an enemy officer and soldier. He then proceeded to another emplacement, routed the occupants, and assisted in the capture of three more enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

MARTIN D. DILLINGER, 36213599, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sonlez, Luxembourg. While on a reconnaissance patrol, Sergeant Dillinger was subjected to direct fire from a hostile strongpoint. Voluntarily and at risk of his life, he charged the position and, with accurate rifle fire, killed one enemy, wounded another and routed the remainder of the foe. Observing that a section of the position was still defended by a large, well armed enemy force, he organized a combat patrol and led the men in an assault upon the objective which resulted in the killing or wounding of innumerable enemy and the capture of the rest of the defending force. His gallant action enabled the battalion to advance without hinderance and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT L. ERNY, 35727204, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 6 to 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When a fierce counterattack threatened the position of a rifle platoon which had established a road block on a highway near the town, Private First Class Erny courageously and expertly manned a machine gun. Despite heavy hand grenade and small arms fire, he, at risk of his life, fired the gun so effectively that the platoon was able to repel the attackers. He then quickly reorganized the men and forced the enemy to withdraw further from the sector. Though seriously ill, he remained at his post for five days and, with accurate machine gun fire, assisted in repelling numerous counterattacks. Before his evacuation, he succeeded in capturing 17 of the enemy, including an officer, and personally killed or wounded approximately 100 of the foe. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

EUGENE MALINOSKI, 18114900, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. During an advance, a platoon section was subjected to intense machine gun fire which caused it to become temporarily disorganized. Private First Class Malinoski immediately assumed command, reorganized the section and deployed his machine gunners and riflemen in an effective firing line. Personally manning one of the machine guns, he killed four enemy and wounded several more and continued to direct the section until he was wounded by hostile fire. His gallant action enabled the company to secure its lines and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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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:

✓ LUTHER H. MAY, 37155477, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany on 6 December 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

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:

✓ CARL A. FAABORG, 37019715, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 18 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ GEORGE K. BARKER, 37138273, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th 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 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ JOHN W. GIVENS, 37155780, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

✓ EVERETT M. HENRY, 37179106, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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10 February 1945

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:

FORREST W. WRIGHT, 37138934, Technician Fourth Grade (then technician fifth grade), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During a battle near the town, heavy fire from a pillbox impeded the advance of friendly troops. Alone, without protective fire, Technician Fourth Grade Wright, voluntarily and at risk of his life, swiftly advanced through 100 yards of intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire and placed a demolition charge at the door of the stronghold. The ensuing explosion demolished the entrance of the fortification and dazed the occupants which enabled foot troops to enter the pillbox unopposed and capture its 12 defenders. Technician Fourth Grade Wright's initiative and courageous action contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

JAMES N. BAKER, 38094465, Corporal, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When fire from a pillbox impeded the advance of friendly troops, Corporal Baker volunteered to place a demolition charge on the stronghold. At risk of his life, he subjected himself to heavy artillery and machine gun fire, advanced for 100 yards across an open, booby trapped area to the pillbox and placed an explosive charge on the concrete emplacement. The ensuing explosion partially demolished the pillbox enabling infantry troops to close in unopposed and capture the 23 occupants. His courageous and determined action enabled the infantry to continue its advance. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

CECIL C. BOUNDS, 37390742, Corporal (then private first class), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During an attack near the town, intense fire from a pillbox impeded the advance of an infantry unit. Corporal Bounds, voluntarily and at risk of his life, advanced through heavy mortar and machine gun fire for a distance of 50 yards to successfully reach and place a demolition charge against the doorway of the pillbox. Avoiding the exploding hand grenades that were pushed through the firing slits of the stronghold, he ignited the charge and withdrew. When no explosion resulted, he secured a second charge and, undeterred by intensified enemy fire, advanced and placed the second charge against the pillbox door to successfully breach the fortification. As a result of his courageous and determined actions, five of the enemy were wounded and 13 captured. His gallant action facilitated the advance of the infantrymen to reduce another pillbox in the area and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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MERLE G. DAVIS, 35896927, Corporal (then private), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. When an advance of friendly troops was impeded by fire from three pillboxes, Corporal Davis volunteered to place demolition charges on the largest and most heavily manned pillbox in the area. Carrying two prepared charges, he, with a companion, at risk of his life, subjected himself to intense fire of various calibers and crossed 50 yards of open terrain to the fortification. After killing two of the enemy and capturing two more, he, with his comrade, placed both charges on the door of the concrete emplacement. The ensuing explosion partially demolished the stronghold, killed four of the enemy and forced the remaining 63 to surrender. His courageous and determined action enabled the infantry to continue the advance. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

ESEQUIEL ESQUIVEL, 38093903, Private First Class (then private), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Aware of the dangers involved, Private First Class Esquivel volunteered to place a demolition charge on a pillbox whose fire was being directed at the main supply route of the regiment. Without protective fire, he, at risk of his life, subjected himself to heavy mortar and machine gun fire, traversed an open area for 60 yards to the pillbox and placed an explosive charge against the door. The ensuing explosion forced the surrender of the stronghold and 22 of the enemy. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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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 A. REDDINGER, 37057973, First Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations during the period 6 - 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, ammunition and supplies had to be hand carried from the Saar River bank to a supply dump. First Sergeant Reddinger voluntarily made repeated trips along a road covered by enemy fire, while he supervised and led carrying parties to and from the supply dump located in a building. Despite the fact that enemy shells were exploding near the building, containing ammunition and explosive charges, First Sergeant Reddinger worked day and night distributing supplies to parties from the companies. As a result of his untiring efforts and devotion to duty, a steady flow of supplies to the front was maintained which aided materially in the capture of the town. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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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:

HENRY I. CUMMINGS, 37179645, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bohoey, Luxembourg. While guarding the right flank of a battalion, Private First Class Cummings and his squad were attacked by a night patrol. The squad immediately opened fire on the enemy. Friendly tankmen supporting the battalion, observing all the gun flashes, thought the enemy was attacking their position and opened fire on the squad. Private First Class Cummings voluntarily advanced under intense fire to reach a position from which he informed the friendly tankmen of the situation and then directed the tank fire on the foe. As a result of his courageous action, he assisted in the killing of 10 enemy, the capture of 11 and the routing of the remainder. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

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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:

JULIUS J. TOMASZEWSKI, 20325631, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a battle for the town, word was received that casualties were in need of evacuation. Despite intense artillery and small arms fire, Sergeant Tomaszewski moved forward in his tank destroyer and reached the area in which the wounded men were located. There, he, at risk of his life, assisted in placing one litter case on the rear deck of the vehicle, three casualties inside and a fifth wounded man on the forward deck. When the destroyer, due to its precarious position, was unable to turn around, Sergeant Tomaszewski volunteered to guide it back by the use of hand signals. While thus exposed to constant fire, he was mortally wounded by a nearby sniper. His courageous act, at sacrifice of his life, saved the lives of the wounded men and will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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:

BENJAMIN W. PHILLIPS, 01168414, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a battle for the town, word was received that a heavy enemy tank, attacking from the southeast, was effecting considerable damage to everything in its path. Realizing the critical situation, Lieutenant Phillips, at risk of his life, advanced on foot through intense artillery and small arms fire and placed his tank destroyer in a strategic position adjacent to the main road leading into the town. As the hostile tank came over a hill near the position, it was immobilized and set afire by a direct hit from the destroyer. First Lieutenant Phillips then organized and led a party through intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire and evacuated casualties from an exposed area on the outskirts of the town. His courageous and intrepid leadership contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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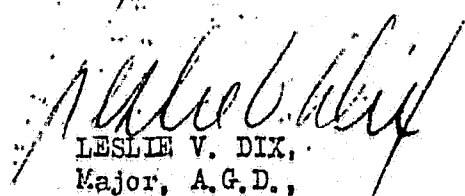
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MATTHEW ZINGRAFF, 20325611, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 and 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During the night, while Sergeant Zingraff guarded an important crossroad near the town, two armored vehicles approached his position and fired over his tank destroyer into a nearby house. Gauging his range by the flashes of the hostile gun, he fired four rounds at point blank range. The enemy tank then returned high explosive fire, temporarily blinding the crew. Undaunted, Sergeant Zingraff refused to withdraw and took an alternate position. Later when a tank supported by infantry made an attempt to enter the town, he waited until the armored vehicle came within visible range and fired effectively to disable the tank. An hour later, when another tank and retriever approached his position, Sergeant Zingraff again waited until the enemy was in sight and then fired several rounds in rapid succession to force the hostile armored vehicles' withdrawal. His skilful tactics and exemplary leadership aided materially in repelling the enemy attacks and in the destruction of two tanks. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 84-----	III

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:

EARL SUTTON, 0376950, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom, France. During the Moselle River operations, Lieutenant Colonel Sutton, at risk of his life, subjected himself to heavy observed fire and traversed difficult terrain reconnoitering areas and selecting suitable sites for battalion artillery emplacements. Despite intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, he advanced through heavily mined and booby trapped areas to within a few hundred yards of the enemy lines to select artillery observation posts. Later, the division, in crossing the swollen Moselle River, was given superior artillery support, due in a large part to his courageous and sound reconnaissance. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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:

CLIFFORD E. THOMPSON, 0385363, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 9 to 11 November 1944 in the vicinity of Malling, France. During the Moselle River operations, the unprecedented flood conditions of the river prevented the construction of bridges. Captain Thompson established and maintained a ferry service and employed assault boats to carry supplies and ammunition to the far side and to evacuate casualties. When the engineers succeeded in constructing a bridge over the treacherous current, he, subjected himself to heavy artillery and mortar fire, supervised the loading of the supply vehicles and voluntarily accompanied each vehicle across the swollen river. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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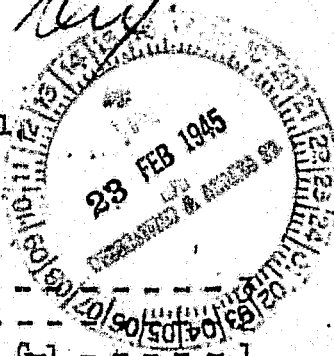
III—~~REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 84~~. Section I, General Orders Number 84, this Headquarters, 3 February 1945, awarding the Silver Star to EARL SUTTON, 0376950, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army and LLOYD A. WATLAND, 0541517, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, is revoked.

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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:

✓ EDGAR S. SEAVEY, 01030612, Second Lieutenant, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop Mechanized, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bavigne, Luxembourg. While on a reconnoitering mission north of the town, Second Lieutenant Seavey and his unit encountered machine gun fire from commanding ground. He immediately relayed the information to the commanding officer who sent two medium tanks in an endeavor to knock out the machine gun nest. In the ensuing battle, Second Lieutenant Seavey, though exposed and under direct enemy fire, remained at his guns which were mounted on his armored car and rendered support fire for the advancing tanks. When one of the armored vehicles was disabled by bazooka fire, he covered its withdrawal. He then deployed his other automatic weapons and, with the continuous harassing fire, forced the enemy to withdraw. His heroic achievement enabled an infantry battalion to advance and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Hampshire.

✓ JACK BAILEY, 36864616, Corporal, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop Mechanized, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bavigne, Luxembourg. While passing through a defile, a motorized platoon column was subjected to intense small arms fire which wounded the driver of the lead vehicle and halted the column. Corporal Bailey immediately advanced through the heavy fire and carried the casualty to a position of cover. He then manned a machine gun on a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton vehicle while it was being driven to a place of safety. When reinforcements arrived, he led them in an attack which enabled two tanks to join in the fight which repulsed the hostile force. His heroic service aided an infantry battalion to advance without opposition and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

✓ MARION C. HOUSEH, 34492500, Private First Class, Cavalry, 90th Reconnaissance Troop Mechanized, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bavigne, Luxembourg. A reconnaissance platoon advancing through a narrow defile, was ambushed and subjected to intense bazooka, machine gun and small arms fire which disabled one vehicle and wounded the driver of another. Despite the intense barrage, Private First Class Houser assisted in evacuating the wounded man to an area of comparative safety. He then took a position at one of the machine guns and with accurate fire enabled a companion to retrieve the wounded driver's vehicle. Later, when reinforcements arrived, he, with intense machine gun fire, contributed immeasurably in preventing hostile soldiers reaching bazooka range of two tanks. His heroic achievement contributed to the fighting efficiency of the unit and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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✓ JOHN F. BALL, W2105529, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 90th Signal Company, 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.

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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:

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RALPH W. DRURY, 0395795, Captain, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 June 1944 to 4 February 1945 in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg. As Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Captain Drury performed his duties courageously and expertly. Often working day and night, he investigated, evaluated and disseminated information to all units of the division. When normal means of communications failed, he personally made reconnaissance under heavy fire and collected and distributed vital data. His heroic service contributed materially to the fighting efficiency of the division and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

WALTER D. OSBORNE, 01313293, Captain, Military Intelligence, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 8 June 1944 to 3 February 1945 in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg. As officer in charge of a counter intelligence team, Captain Osborne performed his duties courageously and expertly. Supervising the work in all echelons of the division, he often made personal reconnaissance under heavy fire to investigate suspicious persons or occurrences. Through his constant vigilance, all cases of sabotage were either prevented or suppressed before they could inflict any damage which might have retarded the operations of the division. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

EDWARD P. BRADLEY, 0364713, Major, Field Artillery, 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 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from New York.

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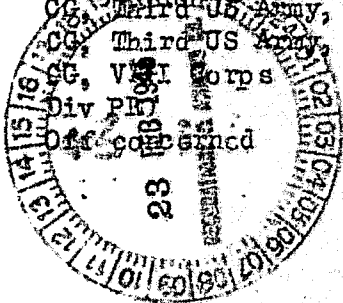
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

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:

RUDY F. VERCRUYSEE, 17030219, Corporal, Field Artillery, 949th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, For heroic service in support of operations in Luxembourg on 28 December 1944. When a soldier was wounded in an engagement with the enemy, Corporal Vercruysee evacuated him to a position of safety and administered first aid. He, without regard for his personal safety, then proceeded through intense fire of various calibers to procure further medical attention for the casualty. His heroic service facilitated the recovery of the wounded man and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

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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:

JOSEPH B. MULLINEAUX, JR., 01184266, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 16 December 1944 to 16 January 1945, as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

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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:

✓ BENJAMIN E. SARAFIN, 20325600, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. After helping to take the town, Sergeant Sarafin maneuvered his tank destroyer expertly and directed fire effectively to repel a tank attack. Later, the enemy launched a large scale tank attack, supported by infantry and heavy artillery. Sergeant Sarafin exposed himself to intense fire and directed his gunner in destroying two of the armored vehicles. When three hostile tanks attempted a flanking movement, Sergeant Sarafin, despite his vulnerable position, directed fire to knock out two of the tanks. Although he was mortally wounded in this action, his courageous leadership will be an undying inspiration to his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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:

✓ EDWIN COURT, 36316333, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During an enemy counterattack on the town, Technician Fourth Grade Court exposed himself to heavy fire as he administered first aid and evacuated casualties. Observing several wounded men lying in a dangerously exposed position, Technician Fourth Grade Court, accompanied by two companions, voluntarily went forward on an M10 vehicle under direct enemy observation, placed the wounded men on the vehicle and successfully returned into town. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ JOHN P. WARNER, 37158121, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 773d Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. After helping to take the town, Technician Fifth Grade Warner and his platoon were subjected to a large scale tank attack, supported by infantry and heavy artillery. Observing infantrymen wounded by the direct tank fire, Technician Fifth Grade Warner left the comparative safety of his tank destroyer and administered first aid to the casualties. He then voluntarily returned to his armored vehicle and

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helped destroy two of three tanks attempting to flank the platoon's position. When the tank destroyer was set ablaze by hostile fire, he helped two comrades get out of the burning vehicle. His heroic services aided in holding the town and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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13 February 1945

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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:

FREDERIC FORNOFF, 38103877, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. As a member of a provisional task force, Corporal Fornoff manned a vital position on his unit's left flank. When a numerically superior enemy counterattack was launched against his position, he, without regard for his personal safety, moved to a more commanding site on high ground, exposed to heavy fire. From this location, his accurate rifle and grenade fire killed eight enemy, caused the surrender of three and forced the remainder of the force to withdraw. Though subjected to intense hostile mortar and artillery fire, he remained in his strategic position to direct shellfire until the attack was routed. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

JOSEPH NOROWSKI, 42030974, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. A carrying party, returning from the bank of the Saar River, was subjected to a heavy artillery barrage which caused several casualties. Private First Class Norowski, advancing from the rear of the column, observed a wounded companion and attempted to move him but discovered movement was inadvisable due to the severity of the wounds. He then, despite the intense shellfire, administered first aid to the wounded man, covered him with extra clothes to prevent shock and notified the battalion aid station of the casualty's location. His heroic achievement saved the life of a comrade and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

DAVID T. JOHNSTON, 33805206, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 19 July 1944 to 25 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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:

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MAURICE A. MCKENZIE, 38094364, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. A provisional infantry company was subjected to a severe hostile attack. Staff Sergeant McKenzie, despite intense fire of various calibers, left a position of comparative safety and, advancing to his machine gun emplacements, rallied and encouraged the men. He killed an enemy soldier who was attempting to destroy a gun site with grenades. After locating enemy positions, he directed effective machine gun fire upon them which caused heavy casualties among the hostile troops and repelled the attack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WILLIAM E. MEADOWS, 36703419, Staff Sergeant (then corporal), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Staff Sergeant Meadows was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Meadows, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Staff Sergeant Meadows then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

GEORGE J. KOWOD, 33404858, Staff Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Staff Sergeant Kowod was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Kowod, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Staff Sergeant Kowod then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with Military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F. LANE, 20109962, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 21 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When a heavy counterattack was launched against the positions of a provisional task force, Sergeant Lane, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, went forward through an intense concentration of enemy fire to remove a wounded man who was powerless to aid himself to a position of comparative safety. When a concentration of hostile artillery cut an important wire, he again risked his life under fire to repair the wire and restore communications. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

BRENT L. SHIRLEY, 38000416, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to

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the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Technician Fourth Grade Shirley was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Technician Fourth Grade Shirley, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Technician Fourth Grade Shirley then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

MICHAEL F. GUADAGNOLO, JR., 32999160, Corporal, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Corporal Guadagnolo was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Corporal Guadagnolo, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Corporal Guadagnolo then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

CHARLES B. BAILEY, 39917322, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private First Class Bailey was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Bailey, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private First Class Bailey then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Utah.

JOSEPH R. CARL, 37486130, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private First Class Carl was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Carl, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private First Class Carl then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.



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JOHN HALASA, 33794855, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private First Class Halasa was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Halasa, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private First Class Halasa then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL E. ROHAN, 31211977, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private First Class Rohan was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Rohan, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private First Class Rohan then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

GERALD H. STAFF, 37438301, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private First Class Staff was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Staff, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private First Class Staff then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

VOSS C. SUNCLADES, 37118941, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private First Class Sunclades was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private First Class Sunclades, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private First Class Sunclades then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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OLEN V. CARAWAY, 6294082, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private Caraway was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private Caraway, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private Caraway then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

BERNARD J. SCHMIDT, 42010090, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private Schmidt was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private Schmidt, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private Schmidt then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

PRESTON L. WARREN, 38049656, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 6 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. While carrying supplies from the Saar River bank to the regimental supply dump, the platoon of which Private Warren was a member was subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from four by-passed pillboxes. Voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, Private Warren, with his companions, assaulted the hostile fortifications. By the next day, the platoon had captured the four strongholds, killed numerous enemy and taken 41 of the foe prisoner. Private Warren then helped defeat several enemy attempts to regain the pillboxes until the platoon was relieved by friendly troops on 10 December. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

WILLIAM H. CARLSON, 0538993, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 25 September to 22 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

III—REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 114—So much of Section V General Orders Number 114, this headquarters, 10 February 1945, as awards the Bronze Star to JOSEPH HOKOWSKI, 42030974, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished in Section I of these General Orders.

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SECTION

AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR----- I  
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:

RAYMOND E. BITZER, 6649488, Master 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 1 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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:

ROLAND D. HELLIE, 01319497, First Lieutenant, 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 1944 to 3 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

J. B. BLACKBURN, JR., 18021194, 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.

WALTER E. HOVLAND, 37170037, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

OHMSTER A. KJESBO, 37169706, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 8 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

OKLA. W. THORNTON, 38094613, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 7 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

SAMUEL M. KIMMEL, 37138076, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 7 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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NORMAN H. CATES, 34890420, 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 1944 to 3 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

ROY O. LEE, 37172055, Technician Fourth Grade, 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 1944 to 2 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

FERDINAND MARTIN, 37169580, Technician Fourth Grade, 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 29 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

IOWELL T. RAZOR, 35565050, Corporal, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 7 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

HAROLD C. CHRISSENSON, 37173195, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 Minnesota.

DONALD G. FERNELIUS, 37118692, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 Minnesota.

CHARLES B. HOPKINS, 37171991, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 1944 to 2 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

THOMAS J. STANTON, JR., 31032419, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 7 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

STEPHEN WILTON, 31130448, Private, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 7 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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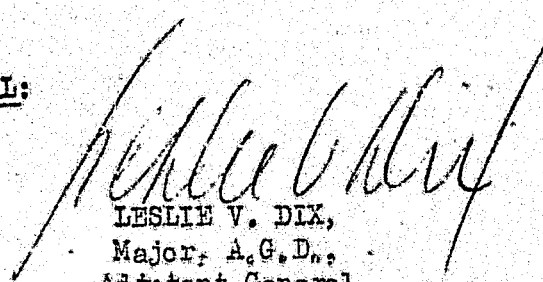
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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR-- Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

CHARLES E. SMITH, 6976596, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During an enemy counterattack, First Sergeant Smith observed a casualty lying in an area dangerously exposed to intense fire. Without regard for his personal safety, he advanced and successfully reached the position of the wounded man. Though First Sergeant Smith was mortally wounded in the attempt to save the wounded man's life, his selfless devotion to duty will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

VIRGIL M. MEISTER, 35499478, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During a counterattack, Company \* \* was pinned down by heavy fire of various calibers. Private First Class Meister left a position of comparative safety and advanced in the face of intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire to register effective automatic rifle fire upon the enemy. Though he died later from wounds received in this action, his accurate automatic rifle fire materially aided his company in repelling the counterattack. His heroic achievement will be a lasting inspiration to his comrades and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

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:

MAURICE HURT, 35708290, Staff Sergeant, 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, the platoon of which Staff Sergeant Hurt was a member, became pinned down by fire from two machine gun emplacements. Without regard for his personal safety, he led three men through intense fire in an assault upon the enemy installations. So inspiring was his leadership that the enemy was routed from both positions and the platoon was enabled to continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

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LINVIL PATTON, 35132723, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During a counterattack, Company \*\* was pinned down by heavy fire of various calibers. Private First Class Patton left a position of comparative safety and advanced in the face of intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire to register effective automatic rifle fire upon the enemy. His accurate automatic rifle fire materially aided his company in repelling the counterattack. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

ROBERT J. MULFORD, 0379881, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 20 September 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

DONALD T. SMITH, 37153847, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

HOMER E. GENT, 38093956, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

DANIEL B. GERAGHTY, 37492083, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

DALE L. HUNTER, 37156395, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

WILLIAM C. MESSINGER, 37118900, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

HENRY R. WOOD, 37156437, 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 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

CARL A. MONSON, 37169182, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

IVER M. JOHNSON, 37173186, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.



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GENTRY D. PARKS, 18226167, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

HERMAN C. THOMAS, 18107946, Corporal, 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 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

TERRELL BOYD, 38300547, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

EDWARD W. HOEVERMAN, 37171745, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

ADOLPH C. KURTZ, 37172892, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

HAROLD P. LARSEN, 37169553, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

CHARLES E. McCAIN, 37189211, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

ARTHUR H. SALZSEIDER, 37169498, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

BERT E. SEVIERSON, 37154877, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

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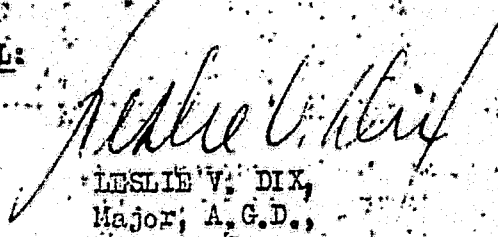
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NO. 134 )

13 February 1945

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 25 April 1944, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

HERBERT L. MYERS, 01547411, First Lieutenant, Medical Administrative Corps, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 8 November 1944 in the vicinity of Boust, France. First Lieutenant Myers distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. Preparatory to the Moselle River crossing, a collecting company of which he was a member became subjected to intense fire of various calibers. Without regard for his personal safety, he entered the heavily shelled area, assembled one entire station, and, after instructing the motor personnel, led the convoy at staggered intervals to a zone of comparative safety. His heroic service effected the expeditious operation of an integral part of the company and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

HENRY G. RESCH, 37172689, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 and 18 January 1945 in the vicinity of Wiederwampach, Luxembourg. During an attack, an assault company encountered intense enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire and suffered heavy casualties. During darkness, Technician Fourth Grade Resch, without regard for his personal safety, led a litter squad into the dangerous area to evacuate the wounded. Under intense artillery, rocket and mortar fire, he directed the transportation of seriously wounded men to an aid station for medical treatment. Technician Fourth Grade Resch's heroic service saved the lives of many men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

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13 February 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:

✓ LOUIS J. LAPALUCCI, 33017489, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 17 to 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a battle for the town, Technician Fourth Grade Iapalucchi distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as Tank Destroyer Driver. When subjected to repeated hostile attacks, he, though exposed to intense shellfire, often at point blank range, skillfully maneuvered his tank destroyer to alternate positions, destroyed five enemy tanks and damaged one. Later, when the position was overrun by the numerically superior force, rather than to submit to surrender, he hid in a nearby hayloft for a day and a half without food or water. When the enemy vacated the building, he successfully returned to his unit. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT W. VanORDEN, 32926762, Corporal, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counter-attack, Corporal VanOrden served as gunner of a tank destroyer in position in the town. Refusing to be evacuated when his left hand was injured by shrapnel which prevented him from performing his duties as gunner, he changed places with the radio operator and secured additional help to successfully rout the enemy. When the radio operator manned another weapon, Corporal VanOrden returned to his gun and, despite his painful wound, operated it effectively against an attacking enemy force. When forced to abandon their vehicle after they had expended all their ammunition, the crew was subjected to an artillery barrage, causing most of the crew to become casualties. Corporal VanOrden, without regard for his personal safety, rendered first aid to the wounded men and later, under intense fire, secured and directed a rescue party to the wounded. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ JOHN L. SPEAKS, 20131996, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During an enemy tank attack, Technician Fifth Grade Speaks, though trained as a tank destroyer driver, volunteered to assist the infantry in protecting the entrance to the town. Despite intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he remained in a strategic position and effectively fired his rifle upon the foe. When casualties were sustained, he advanced through heavy shelling and evacuated several wounded men to safety. His heroic achievement aided materially in repelling the attack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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JOHN SOWA, 36710138, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 773rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counterattack, Private First Class Sowa served as leader on a tank destroyer in position in the town. Observing that the air-ground identification panel on the rear of the vehicle was serving as a direct target for artillery, mortar and tank fire, he selflessly exposed himself to the hostile fire in crawling outside the vehicle and removing the panel. When a turret machine gun became inoperative, he again subjected himself to intense fire and made adjustments that permitted the gun to go back into action. His heroic service helped hold the town and was in accordance with military tradition. 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:

DAVID I. BROWN, 01045359, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

ROBERT N. CLAWSON, 01047070, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

JACK W. LINDELL, 01044016, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from California.

DOYLE L. TAMBOUGH, 38225042, Staff 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

WILLIAM V. MICKIUS, 20752611, Staff 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 30 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

JOHN H. BRASHEARS, 38236673, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

WILLIAM H. JACKSON, 38108600, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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ULLIN R. MORGAN, 38236747, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

RICHARD A. KASZNIAK, 36621388, Technician Fourth 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

VERNON B RICH, 38108501, Technician Fourth 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

CLOYDE BELLETTI, 38236929, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

ERNEST L. FULTZ, 38236887, 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 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

J. D. SMITH, 38224997, 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 30 June to 31 October 1944. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

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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:

ROSS W. LYON, 0344849, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Belgium during the period 27 January to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

WILSON M. MIDYETT, 0418110, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 1 December 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

HENRY J. DEUER, 01112650, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 26 December 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

PAUL A. TREMLIN, 6557486, First Sergeant, 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 8 June 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Washington.

FRANCIS L. COONS, 38102993, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 28 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

OSCAR C. BROWN, JR., 38103983, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 8 June 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

RAYMOND E. MURRAY, JR., 31154302, Technician Fifth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Maine.

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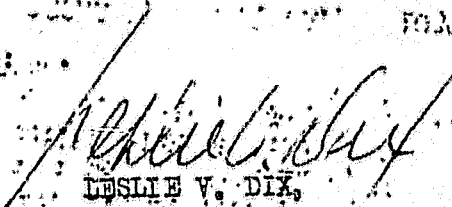
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

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:

✓ GEORGE W. PEPPER, JR., 35272221, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

✓ FAY A. SAIMON, 38094902, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

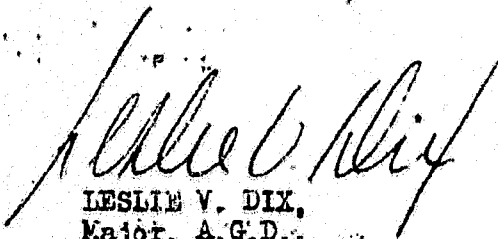
✓ AIMO D. WILLIAMS, 38070721, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

RALPH L. BLAND, 38098428, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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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:

✓ RALPH M. SPRINGER, 0421561, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Illinois.

✓ JAMES C. NORMAN, W2113308, Chief Warrant Officer, 343rd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 16 June to 31 December 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:

✓ VERN CLAYSON, 0503374, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Utah.

✓ FRANK S. HERTZOG, 0522606, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ ALLEN T. O'CONNOR, 0465107, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 10 August 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ JACK W. CHERRY, 02000003, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

✓ JOHN ABRAHAM, 6821527, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

✓ MARION O. SLAPE, 38103965, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ JAMES W. BEAUCHAMP, 6275310, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 16 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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✓ RAYMOND L. MARCUM, 38098816, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

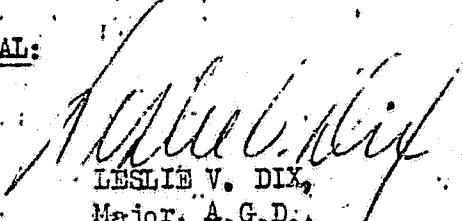
✓ JAMES E. STOKES, 38101916, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ ERIC L. MEDLIN, 34242565, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

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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:

✓ RUSSELL C. JOHNSON, 01172936, Captain, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

✓ ROBERT A. KRUSE, 0374663, Captain, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

✓ JOSEPH J. LESHNOCK, 6803463, Master Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

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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:

✓ WILLIAM D. GOODLETT, 6266680, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 5 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

✓ CYRIL C. BENNETT, 38099165, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 5 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ ROY MEADOWS, 38080059, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 5 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ HUGH V. SMITH, 34137565, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 5 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

✓ JOHN A. TROTTER, 38093879, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 9 June to 1 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ BUD BRUMLEY, 38063673, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 9 June to 1 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

✓ EARL M. WRIGHT, 18086389, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 9 June to 1 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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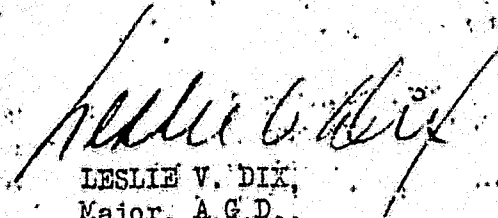
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AWARD OF SILVER STAR -----

REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 59 -----

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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:

EDWARD A. NEWCOMB, 01296073, Captain, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. Captain Newcomb led his company in an assault upon high ground near the town, inspiring his men by his courageous and expert leadership. When a platoon's advance was checked by intense small arms and mortar fire, he led another platoon in a flanking movement which inflicted heavy casualties upon the foe, relieved the pressure upon the halted unit and enabled the company to take the objective. When numerous casualties were sustained during a concentration of artillery fire upon the newly captured position, Captain Newcomb supervised the speedy evacuation of the wounded and directed the company in holding the important ground. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

RAMEY T. ALLAIRE, 38003419, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 9 to 14 November 1944 in the vicinity of Cattenom, France. When enemy artillery fire severed communication wires between an infantry battalion observation post and the assault force across the Mcsalle River, Staff Sergeant Allaire, at risk of his life, made two trips through heavy enemy fire to the river's edge and repaired the breaks. The following day, he repeatedly crossed the flooded river to repair breaks and install new lines. On 12 November, he made numerous trips in a motor launch carrying supplies to the assault forces and later volunteered to lead the three boats of the regiment in regular supply trips across the torrent. His gallant actions contributed immeasurably to the success of the mission and were in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arizona.

II. REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 59. Section III, General Orders Number 59, this Headquarters, 25 January 1945, awarding second Oak-Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star to RAMEY T. ALLAIRE, 38003419, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, is revoked. This award is republished in Section I of these General Orders.

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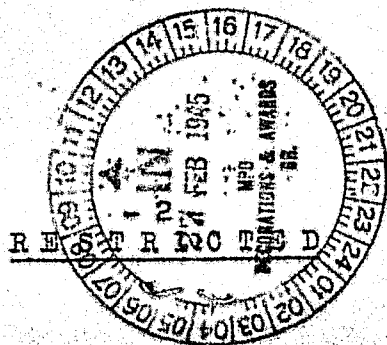
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I--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

RICHARD G. STILLWELL, 021065, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany during the period 8 January to 15 February 1945. 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:

JULIAN H. GEORGE, 08421, Colonel, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 January to 15 February 1945 in Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany. As commanding officer of the 357th Infantry, Colonel George led his regiment in its successful operations in reducing the Bastogne salient and the Ardennes bulge, and in rupturing the Siegfried Line. Without regard for his personal safety or physical rest, Colonel George maintained a high standard of leadership and command which was reflected in the accomplishments of his command. His heroic service made possible the success of the division and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

III--REVOCATION IN GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 22--. So much of Section III, General Orders Number 22, this Headquarters, 9 January 1945 as awards the Bronze Star to JULIAN H. GEORGE, 08421, Colonel, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, is revoked.

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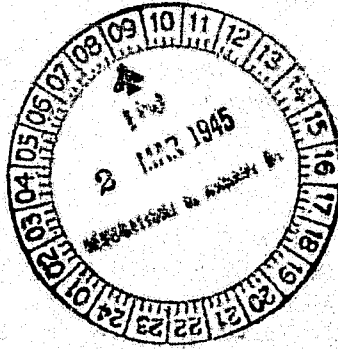
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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

JOHN D. GASKINS, 0384173, Captain, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944 in the vicinity of Malmaison, France. During an attack on fortified positions, the battalion commander was mortally wounded. Captain Gaskins unhesitatingly assumed command. With the assistance of another officer, he proceeded to reorganize the battalion, and at risk of his life, repeatedly crossed an open area under heavy observed fire to contact the various elements of the battalion. After completing the reorganization, he led the battalion in continuing the attack. Though killed in a later action, Captain Gaskins' courageous leadership and complete devotion to duty will be a lasting inspiration to the members of his command. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

CHARLES W. MOELLER, 37631756, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 and 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Birsch, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Moeller moved under heavy artillery fire to guide troops and locate unit commanders. On one occasion when intense artillery shell bursts dispersed an infantry company, he, at risk of his life, located the men and guided them to their proper positions. When not engaged in these duties, he operated a telephone at a Traffic Control Point. Though he was constantly exposed to heavy fire at this position, he remained at his post until he was mortally wounded by artillery fire. His gallantry will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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 R. MELLON, 01312491, First Lieutenant (then second lieutenant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 July 1944 in the vicinity of Pretot, France. During an attack on enemy positions, First Lieutenant Mellon was wounded by machine gun fire. He received treatment for his wound at an aid station and, refusing evacuation, returned to his company. Locating the enemy machine gun the fire of which had wounded him, he, at risk of his life, advanced along a hedgerow while under heavy fire to a position within

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25 yards of the machine gun nest and with accurate carbine fire, killed the three machine gunners. His courageous and selfless action and complete devotion to duty contributed immeasurably to the success of the company's mission. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

FRANK N. GETMAN, 38149067, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During an enemy counterattack, it became necessary to change the positions of two machine guns in order to fire at the attackers. Without hesitation, Staff Sergeant Getman personally changed one position and directed the movement of the second, while subjected to intense artillery, mortar and direct small arms fire. Though painfully wounded in the face during this action, he, at risk of his life, continued to man a machine gun until the counterattack was repelled. He remained with the company and led a platoon to a new position before submitting to evacuation. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

GLYNDOL V. LEWIS, 38231620, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Longvilly, Belgium. During an attack, a rifle company was pinned down by cross fire from two enemy machine guns and then subjected to an intense barrage of artillery and mortar fire. Without hesitation, Staff Sergeant Lewis, at risk of his life, accompanied two companions in a frontal bayonet charge in the face of the direct machine gun fire, killing two of the enemy crew and routing the third. With this threat eliminated, Staff Sergeant Lewis' platoon was able to advance toward the objective, materially aiding the entire company in resuming its movement. His gallantry was a contributing factor in the success of the company's mission and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

RAYMOND J. RICZKUS, 36765326, Staff Sergeant (then sergeant), Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Longvilly, Belgium. During an attack, a rifle company was pinned down by cross fire from two enemy machine guns and then subjected to an intense barrage of artillery and mortar fire. Without hesitation, Staff Sergeant Riczkus, at risk of his life, accompanied two companions in a frontal bayonet charge in the face of the direct machine gun fire, killing two of the enemy crew and routing the third. With this threat eliminated, Staff Sergeant Riczkus' platoon was able to advance toward the objective, materially aiding the entire company in resuming its movement. His gallantry was a contributing factor in the success of the company's mission and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

PETE TORRES, 38006838, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 12 to 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. During an attack on the town, the infantry company which Staff Sergeant Torres and his machine gun section were supporting became temporarily disorganized by intense fire from a numerically superior enemy. At risk of his life, he kept his machine gun section in position, directed accurate

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fire upon the enemy and assisted in the reorganization of the unit. Later, when an enemy patrol attempted to infiltrate through friendly lines, he courageously led his section in an attack upon the hostile group, which resulted in killing 10 enemy and wounding two. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

RUSSELL K. LIND, 37172029, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 October 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When enemy artillery fire cut communication wires between the forward observation post and the battalion, Private First Class Lind, fully realizing the danger involved, volunteered to lay a new wire line. On his first attempt, both wire and telephone were shot from under his arm by sniper fire. Private first Class Lind returned to the battalion, secured another telephone and additional wire and advanced under the continued fire to successfully accomplish his mission. His courageous action restored communication for relaying fire orders and contributed materially to the success of the battalion in holding its position. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

LEO V. PRESTON, 37635016, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. During an enemy counterattack, Private First Class Preston's platoon leader was wounded severely. Without hesitation, Private First Class Preston, at risk of his life, left a position of comparative safety, firing his automatic rifle as he advanced over 50 yards of open ground to reach the wounded man. Continuing to fire at the enemy, he forced their withdrawal. As they retreated, he pursued them through a wooded area, killing or wounding 12. Private First Class Preston's courageous actions saved his platoon leader from certain capture and aided materially in routing the enemy force. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military service from Missouri.

JOSEPH F. SYRCK, 36713650, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Longvilly, Belgium. During an attack, a rifle company was pinned down by cross fire from two enemy machine guns and then subjected to an intense barrage of artillery and mortar fire. Without hesitation, Private First Class Syrck, at risk of his life, accompanied two companions in a frontal bayonet charge in the face of the direct machine gun fire, killing two of the enemy crew and routing the third. With this threat eliminated, Private First Class Syrck's platoon was able to advance toward the objective, materially aiding the entire company in resuming its movement. His gallantry was a contributing factor in the success of the company's mission and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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:

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ROBERT C. DUPUIS, 01310176, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 September 1944 in the vicinity of Malmaison, France. During an attack on fortified positions, the battalion commander was mortally wounded. First Lieutenant Dupuis voluntarily assisted another officer in reorganizing the battalion. He repeatedly traversed open areas under heavy observed fire to contact the various units of the battalion. When the attack was resumed, he advanced in the face of intense fire to locate and register effective fire on the enemy positions. Though he was wounded and evacuated, his courageous leadership was an inspiration to members of his command. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

IV--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 P. ANTARAMIAN, 01314081, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of Hupperdange, Luxembourg. As an infantry company reached the Clerf River, it was subjected to intense machine gun fire from emplacements on the far bank. First Lieutenant Antaramian established an observation post at the river's edge and, despite the hostile fire following his every movement, directed accurate mortar concentrations which silenced the enemy fire and permitted the company to cross the river and destroy the emplacements. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

V--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:

CLARENCE W. LITTLEFIELD, 0331573, Captain, Dental Corps, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of Forêt de Mont Castro, France. When the regimental surgeon was wounded and evacuated, Captain Littlefield, Dental Officer, due to the lack of available medical officers, was signed the duties of the evacuated officer. He displayed unusual initiative and efficiency in the performance of these duties and inspired the members of his medical detachment to greater efforts in caring for the wounded and evacuating them under fire. When two battalion aid stations were in need of medical supplies, he made three trips in a vehicle over a road under heavy observed fire to deliver the necessary items. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

PETE TORRES, 38006838, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 10 November 1944 in the vicinity of Freching, France. When the position of a machine gun section led by Staff Sergeant Torres was attacked by a numerically superior enemy, he rallied and encouraged his men to hold their ground against overwhelming odds. So inspiring was his leadership that the enemy was completely annihilated, and the security of his squad's position

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was maintained. Later, he so skilfully directed his squad in covering the movement of his company to commanding ground that the operation was accomplished without loss of personnel or equipment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

A. M. LITRELL, 37229087, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. An infantry platoon, advancing on its objective, was counterattacked by a numerically superior enemy force. Sergeant Littrell, without regard for his personal safety, remained in his position, despite intense small arms fire, until the enemy, numbering between 35 and 40, advanced through a narrow defile. He then opened fire with a light machine gun and killed or wounded the entire attacking force. His heroic achievement enabled the platoon to continue its advance and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

HARRY C. McAMIS, 34885301, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 January 1945 in the vicinity of Longvilly, Belgium. A company was subjected to fire of all calibers which inflicted many casualties. Technician Fifth Grade McAmis subjected himself to intense fire and administered first aid to many casualties. He then moved two severely wounded men to a place of cover where first aid could be rendered. Although suffering from a wrenched knee, he returned to the company area and continued to render first aid to all casualties. When the company moved to a new position, Technician Fifth Grade McAmis chose to remain with the two casualties. He remained with them in enemy territory approximately five hours until litter bearers were able to evacuate them. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

RALPH CROWL, 37156051, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 and 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of Amanvillers, France. During the attack on the town, Private First Class Crowl operated a forward observation post. Although both hostile and friendly shrapnel fell within five feet of his position, and enemy patrols passed only five yards from his concealment, he maintained constant communication with the artillery and directed effective fire upon key enemy emplacements, equipment and troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

JOSEPH A. DEEB, 33407599, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 and 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of Amanvillers, France. During the attack on the town, Private First Class Deeb operated a forward observation post. Although both hostile and friendly shrapnel fell within five feet of his position, and enemy patrols passed only five yards from his concealment, he maintained constant communication with the artillery and directed effective fire upon key enemy emplacements, equipment and troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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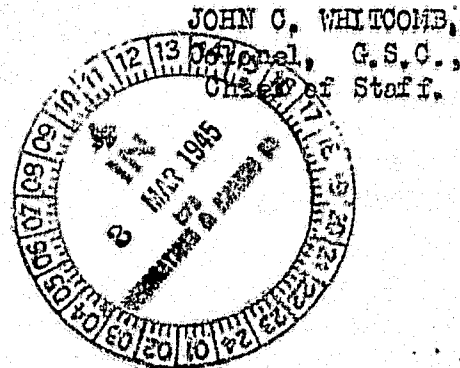
DONALD A. McALPIN, 37118801, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Longvilly, Belgium. During an intense artillery barrage, a soldier was wounded seriously and was lying in an exposed position. Private First Class McAlpin left a position of comparative safety, advanced through the fire to the wounded man and carried him 50 yards to a place of cover. After administering first aid, he directed the evacuation of the casualty. His heroic achievement saved the life of the wounded man and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

JOHN STANGLER, JR., 33474912, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 14 and 15 October 1944 in the vicinity of Amanvillors, France. During the attack on the town, Private First Class Stangler operated a forward observation post. Although both hostile and friendly shrapnel fell within five feet of his position, and enemy patrols passed only five yards from his concealment, he maintained constant communication with the artillery and directed effective fire upon key enemy emplacements, equipment and troops. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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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)

WESLEY H. DONEY, 37708993, Private, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. The communication line between the company and the battalion was cut by artillery fire followed by a counterattack supported by tanks. Private Doney voluntarily advanced under continued artillery fire and examined the wire for the break. While in prosecution of this hazardous mission, he was pinned down by machine gun fire. Private Doney immediately crawled into a nearby ditch dragging the wire with him and successfully located and repaired the break. As a result of his courageous act, the company was able to register effective fire on the tanks which killed or wounded many of the enemy and repelled the counterattack. 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:

ARTHUR B. CAPPA, 37152621, First Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an engagement with the enemy, a platoon became pinned down by fire from a pillbox. First Sergeant Cappa, at risk of his life, charged alone through intense machine gun fire to the emplacement and threw a phosphorous grenade into its embrasure. After the explosion, when the enemy opened the door, he rushed into the stronghold armed with only a pistol and took the eleven occupants prisoner. This courageous act in reducing the strongpoint enabled the platoon to continue its advance without casualties. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

HOBART MUELLER, 37179253, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 29 January 1945 in the vicinity of Stupbach, Germany. During an attack in the town, Staff Sergeant Mueller was given the mission of neutralizing a building containing a group of snipers impeding his company's advance. After planning the attack, he led a small group of men through heavy machine gun and rifle fire and partially encircled the building.

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Then, under his expert leadership, the group closed in, charged the house, killing and wounding the enemy within. Staff Sergeant Mueller's courage and tactical skill were the predominant factors in this successful action. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ WALTER T. MURRAY, 38480450, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. When an infantry squad occupying a building in the town was subjected to a severe counterattack, six men were wounded and the building set ablaze. Private First Class Murray, though suffering from two severe wounds, dragged himself to a window and despite intense mortar and direct small arms fire, remained in the blazing building and held the enemy at bay with automatic rifle fire until the other casualties were evacuated. His courageous action aided materially in saving the lives of six men and enabled the infantry to establish new positions and repel the attack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ HARVEY W. McLAREN, 36840259, Private, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. The communication line between the company and the battalion was cut by artillery fire followed by a counterattack supported by tanks. Private McLaren voluntarily advanced under continued artillery fire and examined the wire for the break. While in prosecution of this hazardous mission, he was pinned down by machine gun fire. Private McLaren immediately crawled into a nearby ditch dragging the wire with him and successfully located and repaired the break. As a result of his courageous act, the company was able to register effective fire on the tanks which killed or wounded many of the enemy and repelled the counterattack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

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:

✓ ARTHUR L. NICHOLS, JR., 0370186, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. When the advance of two assault battalions was impeded by hostile forces, the reserve battalion was ordered to make a wide envelopment of the enemy's right flank and seize the town of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. Lieutenant Colonel Nichols led the battalion over a difficult route to the town of Benouchamps, Belgium. He then made a quick reconnaissance, prepared and directed the attack on Niederwampach across 1500 yards of open terrain under heavy artillery and mortar fire, and succeeded in capturing the objective, along with 306 of the enemy and large quantities of supplies and equipment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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✓ JAMES S. SPIVEY, 0356182, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River bridgehead operations, an enemy salient disrupted contact between two regiments. After making personal reconnaissance under heavy fire, Lieutenant Colonel Spivey led his battalion in an attack upon the enemy position. Inspired by his courageous leadership, his troops took the objective, reduced four pillboxes, captured 72 enemy and one antitank gun, and destroyed one tank. The attack, which was successfully completed without the loss of a man, greatly expedited the expansion of the bridgehead. Lieutenant Colonel Spivey's heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ CHARLES H. KING, 34637827, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 13 January 1945 in the vicinity of Bras, Belgium. The night patrol of which Technical Sergeant King was the leader penetrated 800 yards into hostile territory. Technical Sergeant King deployed his men expertly, helped ambush an enemy patrol and capture 20 of its members, and directed his men in successfully holding their position until daylight when the company advanced and joined them. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

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 N. AXTELL, 01302257, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 29 January 1945 in the vicinity of Stupbach, Germany. While crossing the Our River in an attack on the town, heavy enemy resistance was encountered and Company \* \* was ordered to cross the river and attack the town from another direction. Under the most adverse conditions, First Lieutenant Axtell led the company across the current and skilfully directed the attack on the town. Through his courageous and adroit leadership, hostile resistance was quickly overcome and 50 of the enemy were captured. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Virginia.

✓ MERRITT E. HEIN, 01320457, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 1 February 1945 in the vicinity of Stupbach, Germany. A hostile force holding high ground was impeding a battalion's advance. First Lieutenant Hein, despite the hostile fire centered upon him, led his platoon in a lightning thrust through dense woods and across 50 yards of open field to neutralize the enemy resistance. His heroic achievement enabled the battalion to resume its progress and take its objective and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

✓ SAMUEL L. RODRIGUEZ, JR., 18089846, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 30 January 1945 in the vicinity of Diepert, Germany. When a group of soldiers was observed moving parallel to an infantry platoon, Staff Sergeant Rodriguez carefully worked his way over difficult terrain to their route of advance and identified them as hostile forces. He, without regard for his personal safety, lay hidden until the group neared his

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position and, with accurate fire, killed the platoon leader and one enlisted man, captured two and forced the remainder to disperse. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ **PETE E. GARCIA**, 38103702, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 to 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Technician Fourth Grade Garcia accompanied a carrying party in ferrying supplies across the river. On the far shore, he worked during darkness in knee deep mud, hand carrying supplies to the assault companies through intense enemy artillery and continuous machine gun fire. Technician Fourth Grade Garcia's courageous devotion to duty was a contributing factor in the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

✓ **HERNANDSON SHAW**, 38094191, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 to 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Technician Fourth Grade Shaw accompanied a carrying party in ferrying supplies across the river. On the far shore, he worked during darkness in knee deep mud, hand carrying supplies to the assault companies through intense enemy artillery and continuous machine gun fire. Technician Fourth Grade Shaw's courageous devotion to duty was a contributing factor in the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ **FRUITT COFFMAN**, 38099830, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 to 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Technician Fifth Grade Coffman accompanied a carrying party in ferrying supplies across the river. On the far shore, he worked during darkness in knee deep mud, hand carrying supplies to the assault companies through intense enemy artillery and continuous machine gun fire. Technician Fifth Grade Coffman's courageous devotion to duty was a contributing factor in the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ **EULISS C. COCKMAN**, 34258699, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 to 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private First Class Cockman accompanied a carrying party in ferrying supplies across the river. On the far shore, he worked during darkness in knee deep mud, hand carrying supplies to the assault companies through intense enemy artillery and continuous machine gun fire. Private First Class Cockman's courageous devotion to duty was a contributing factor in the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

✓ **ADOLPH G. GRAT**, 37171733, Private First Class, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 7 to 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During the Saar River

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operation, Private First Class Graf accompanied a carrying party in ferrying supplies across the river. On the far shore, he worked during darkness in knee deep mud, hand carrying supplies to the assault companies through intense enemy artillery and continuous machine gun fire. Private First Class Graf's courageous devotion to duty was a contributing factor in the success of the operation. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ RUSSELL A. NASH, 31432735, Private, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 1 February 1945 in the vicinity of Stuppach, Germany. During a platoon's advance near the town, Private Nash served as a lead scout. Preceding the platoon by approximately 100 yards, he was fired upon by the enemy and wounded severely in the arm. Despite the painful wound, he crawled back to the platoon and, refusing medical aid, guided his platoon leader to a position from which the unit launched an attack that completely destroyed the enemy position. 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 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:

JAMES W. HOERNER, 01325062, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 23 January 1945 in the vicinity of Binsfeld, Luxembourg. After leading his men in a lightning night attack to take the town, First Lieutenant Hoerner, with his company, was subjected to two large scale counterattacks by a force of approximately 200 infantry and five tanks. Selflessly exposing himself to the intense enemy fire, he so inspired his men by his courageous leadership that they overcame the overwhelming odds confronting them, repelled the attacks and held the town. First Lieutenant Hoerner's gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

II--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)

ALVIN G. McCORMICK, 01319150, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 June 1944 in the vicinity of Amfreville, France. When the infantry launched an attack, a rifle platoon, subjected to a heavy mortar barrage, experienced difficulty in moving forward at the scheduled time. Aware of this situation, Second Lieutenant McCormick assumed command of a group of these riflemen, and as a result of his courageous and aggressive leadership, the rifle unit advanced toward its objective. Later, while placing a section of his machine guns in a thickly wooded area, he met 10 riflemen who had become separated from their platoon in the woods. At risk of his life, he led them under intense fire of various calibers to their company. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

III--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:

ROBERT G. SMITH, 0463449, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. First Lieutenant Smith led his platoon under withering enemy fire in three assaults to neutralize a strongly fortified farm house. On the

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third and successful attempt, First Lieutenant Smith advanced with an enemy bazooka, effectively placing his fire. Through his aggressive and adroit leadership, the platoon's mission was attained, 15 of the enemy were killed and 55 were captured. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Florida.

✓ PAUL E. LANDOLT, 39900689, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of Binsfeld, Luxembourg. An infantry platoon occupying three houses on the outskirts of the town was subjected to repeated counterattacks by a numerically superior force. While the platoon leader and a portion of the platoon returned to the base of operations for reinforcements, Technical Sergeant Landolt, without regard for his personal safety, remained in position despite the intense fire. He rallied individual aggressiveness among the men and encouraged them to hold the houses. Due to his courageous and intrepid leadership, the strategic position was maintained until reinforcements arrived, and the enemy routed. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Idaho.

✓ FRANCIS T. MEKSCH, 37153845, Staff Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 December 1944 in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. While advancing toward its objective, a rifle company was pinned down by fire from a pillbox. Staff Sergeant Meksch secured a bazooka and, at risk of his life, moved across the top of the fortification while continually subjected to direct small arms fire, and climbed down to the rear of the embrasure. From this exposed position, he fired two rockets which destroyed the rear of the fortification, wounded one enemy and forced the surrender of the remaining nine. Staff Sergeant Meksch's courageous and determined act enabled his company to proceed toward its objective with a minimum of casualties and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ RAYMOND M. STRUCKHOFF, 37179536, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Lausdorn, Luxembourg. During an engagement with the enemy, Technician Third Grade Struckhoff, at risk of his life, traversed an open area covered by tank, machine gun and small arms fire to locate wounded men and investigate the need for litter bearers. Returning, he led litter squads through the continued fire and supervised the proper disposition of casualties. In order to expedite evacuation, he made repeated trips carrying wounded men on his back to safety. His courageous action saved the lives of several men. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

✓ CHARLES A. CHIODINI, 36774464, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Koenigsmacker, France. During the initial crossing of the Saar River, an infantry company, approaching the crossing site was subjected to heavy artillery fire which wounded Private First Class Chiodini of the weapons platoon. Realizing the urgent need for the ammunition he was carrying, Private First Class Chiodini, disregarding his painful wounds, continued to advance through the intense fire to the crossing site. There, he assisted in paddling a ferry boat across the torrent and not until he had delivered his ammunition to the assembly point would he submit to medical aid. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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ALBERT KEMPE, 37171198, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When Private First Class Kempf attempted to call for support artillery fire during a heavy enemy counterattack, he found that the telephone line was out of order. Without hesitation, he ran through an area subjected to intense machine gun fire to his command post for a radio. Returning through the same hazardous area to his former position, he found the transmitter would not function. Again, he crossed the fire swept area to obtain and return with another radio. He immediately began adjusting artillery fire and completely disrupted the enemy attack. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

CLIFFORD D. MARRIOTT, 37746144, Private First Class (then private), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 January 1945 in the vicinity of Binsfeld, Luxembourg. During a counterattack on the town, Private First Class Marriott was wounded seriously by tank gun fire while stationed in a house firing his rifle at the enemy. Despite painful wounds, he continued to operate his weapon and direct accurate artillery fire upon the foe until falling unconscious. His gallant act inspired his comrades and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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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 D. RICHTER, 0284023, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 January 1945 in the vicinity of Nothum, Luxembourg. While preparing to attack, an infantry battalion was subjected to an intense artillery barrage which inflicted numerous casualties upon the troops. Realizing the need for counter-battery fire to silence the enemy guns, Captain Richter, Liaison Officer, moved to an exposed position and took an azimuth on the direction of hostile artillery fire. Later, while engaged in the hazardous mission of directing effective fire on the enemy artillery emplacements, Captain Richter was mortally wounded by a shell which exploded nearby. The courage and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Captain Richter will be a lasting inspiration to all who witnessed his act. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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:

WILMER T. BECK, 01175036, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisse, France. After the Moselle River crossing, Captain Beck directed the registration of artillery fire, keeping abreast of the shifting lines of battle. When the enemy counterattacked in strength, he held his position, engaging the attackers with pistol fire, and made the necessary adjustments to help repel the foe. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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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:

---JOHN S. TAMAGNI, 39085581, Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Mairy, France. During an enemy armored attack on the town, Sergeant Tamagni moved through intense machine gun fire to a strategic position from which to fire his bazooka. With accurate rocket fire, he immobilized one tank, killed two enemy soldiers and forced the surrender of three more. His gallant act aided materially in repelling the attack and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

---BYRON F. HARNAGEL, 19067805, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 September 1944 in the vicinity of Mairy, France. During an enemy attack on the town, Technician Fifth Grade Harnagel, though trained as a motor mechanic, rushed toward an advancing armored column to a point only 30 yards from the foe and, with accurate bazooka fire, destroyed a half-track vehicle. His courageous act disorganized the enemy convoy and aided materially in repelling the attack. 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:

---MELVIN J. DIEMER, 35337583, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. During a fire mission, a white phosphorus shell exploded prematurely, causing six casualties and setting fire to nearby ammunition and materiel. Despite his own wounds, Corporal Diemer immediately began saving the other casualties out of the dangerous area. Not until all the wounded were given first aid did he submit to medical attention. Corporal Diemer's heroic service saved the lives of two seriously wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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EDWARD J. KOWAL, 31182941, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 and 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. As a member of a forward observer party, Corporal Kowal, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy artillery, machine gun and small arms fire to repair breaks in wire lines. Through his courageous efforts, communications were maintained which enabled the artillery to continue observed fire against enemy positions. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Rhode Island.

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:

SOL BAUER, 01169857, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack in the town by an infantry battalion, First Lieutenant Bauer served as a forward observer. Due to the scattered locations of the enemy position, he, without regard for his personal safety, advanced under heavy fire on numerous occasions to establish new observation posts to effectively direct accurate fire on the foe. As a result of his courageous and determined actions, the hostile fire was silenced which enabled the battalion to advance and take its objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

JAMES M. COLEMAN, 0310458, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 10 to 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. After crossing the Saar River, First Lieutenant Coleman acted as artillery forward observer in support of the infantry. Subjecting himself to intense fire, he maintained constant communication with the artillery and directed the destruction of several key enemy strong points. His heroic service helped weaken the foe for a subsequent infantry attack and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

THOMAS J. MANN, 01169628, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Subsequent to the Saar River crossing, First Lieutenant Mann established an observation post near the town and directed artillery fire upon the enemy. Without regard for his personal safety, he remained in this position, despite numerous shellbursts nearby, and registered such effective fire upon the foe that the infantry was enabled to accomplish its mission with dispatch. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

CARL I. AUSTEN, 02000103, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 27 January 1945 in the vicinity of Leithum, Luxembourg. While performing his duties as artillery forward observer, Second Lieutenant Austen was suddenly subjected to direct fire from an enemy tank. Without regard for his own safety, he held his exposed position and directed fire which caused the tank to retreat and enabled

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the infantry to advance unopposed. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

— DOMINIC E. DeANGELO, 0887635, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Subsequent to the crossing of the Saar River, the advance of the infantry was temporarily impeded by fire from a number of by-passed pillboxes. Second Lieutenant Deangelo, moving through intense shelling from one observation post to another, directed such accurate artillery fire upon the pillboxes that all resistance was neutralized and the infantry was enabled to continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

— COLLE H. COCHRAN, 6378217, First Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Boxhorn, Luxembourg. When Battery \* \* was subjected to a heavy barrage, First Sergeant Cochran organized various elements of the battery and directed them to positions of comparative safety. He then drove a truck loaded with ammunition over a route subjected to intense artillery fire to a position of cover. Despite the continued shellfire, he returned to render any needed assistance to the men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

— LOUIS W. BUDMAYR, 37155069, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Boxhorn, Luxembourg. During a fire mission, an artillery gun section was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. Staff Sergeant Budmayr directed most of the crew to positions of protective cover and, without regard for his personal safety, continued to man the gun with two companions and completed the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

— LOGAN L. STOEBER, 37154747, Staff Sergeant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Boxhorn, Luxembourg. When Battery \* \* was subjected to a heavy barrage, Staff Sergeant Stoeber organized various elements of the battery and directed them to positions of comparative safety. He then drove a truck loaded with ammunition over a route subjected to intense artillery fire to a position of cover. Despite the continued shellfire, he returned to render any needed assistance to the men. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

— ROY A. BENSON, 38104304, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 29 January 1945 in the vicinity of Stupbach, Germany. Prior to crossing the Our River, a rifle company was receiving continuous rifle and machine gun fire from the far side. Technician Fourth Grade Benson exposed himself to the heavy fire and set up a radio in order to direct artillery fire on the hostile positions. When an enemy bullet damaged the radio, he again subjected himself to the heavy fire to obtain a new part. He then returned through the same dangerous area, repaired the set and continued to maintain communications until all enemy fire was neutralized and an assault force was safely across the

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river. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

— LOUIS E. WILLIS, JR., 38010570, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 1 February 1945 in the vicinity of Stupbach, Germany. A forward observer party was subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Technician Fourth Grade Willis, in order to attain proper radio reception with support artillery, established a radio position in an open area. He remained despite the intense fire in this exposed position during the entire mission and maintained vital communication between the forward observer and the support artillery. His heroic achievement aided immeasurably in the neutralization of the hostile fire and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

— LESTER C. BURKET, 37156179, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of Niederwampach, Luxembourg. During a fire mission, a white phosphorus shell exploded prematurely, causing six casualties and setting fire to nearby ammunition and materiel. Without regard for his personal safety, Corporal Burket quickly moved into the dangerous area and helped evacuate the casualties. Though his clothes were burning, he returned to help bring the fire under control. Corporal Burket's courageous devotion to duty saved the lives of the wounded men and prevented the destruction of a large quantity of materiel. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

— DEWARD E. EFURD, 38099388, Corporal, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 22 January 1945 in the vicinity of Boshorn, Luxembourg. During a fire mission, an artillery gun section was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. Corporal Efurd assisted the chief of section in dispersing most of the gun crew to positions affording protective cover and, without regard for his personal safety, continued to man the gun and completed the mission. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

— WOODROW W. MULLINS, 38063577, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Fort Koenigsmacker, France. An officer was wounded severely while advancing through a heavily mined area. Realizing that the wounded man was in need of immediate aid, Technician Fifth Grade Mullins, without regard for his personal safety, advanced through the mined field to reach the wounded officer, administered first aid and successfully carried him to the aid station. His heroic achievement saved the officer's life and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

— DAVID L. HAMILTON, 39577266, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 1 February 1945 in the vicinity of Stupbach, Germany. During an advance to secure commanding high ground, a forward observer party was subjected to heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private First Class Hamilton, despite the intense fire, assisted the radio operator in establishing communication and, without regard for his personal safety, remained in an exposed position and relayed com-

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mands between the forward observer and the radio operator. His heroic achievement aided immeasurably in the neutralization of the hostile fire and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from California.

— CARROLL H. PAYNE, 38103672, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 29 January 1945 in the vicinity of Stuppach, Germany. Prior to crossing the Our River, a rifle company was receiving continuous rifle and machine gun fire from the far side. Private First Class Payne, left a position of comparative safety and established radio communications to direct artillery fire on the hostile positions. Though exposed to continuous enemy fire, he remained in his hazardous position and maintained contact with the artillery until all enemy positions were neutralized and an assault force was safely across the river. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

— GILBERT HUGHES, JR., 35730837, Private, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 and 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. As a member of a forward observer party, Private Hughes, without regard for his personal safety, subjected himself to heavy artillery, machine gun and small arms fire to repair breaks in wire lines. Through his courageous efforts, communications were maintained which enabled the artillery to continue observed fire against enemy positions. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

— JOHN J. O'BRIEN, JR., 35796487, Private, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Subsequent to the crossing of the Saar River, Private O'Brien assisted in the establishment of an observation post near the town. When wire lines were destroyed by shellfire, he immediately established radio communications with the battalion command post. Despite numerous shellbursts nearby, he remained at his post and assisted in the transmission of artillery fire data. His heroic achievement aided the infantry in taking its objective and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

IV—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:

— SOL BAUER, 01169857, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 344th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 31 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, as Artillery Liaison Observer. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

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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:

CLEETIS C. CLEMENS, 0525488, Chaplain (Captain), Headquarters Special Troops, 90th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 December 1944 in the vicinity of Bouzonville, France. A direct hit by a large caliber enemy artillery shell destroyed an entire section of a building used for quartering troops and caused numerous casualties. After forcing his way through the wreckage and debris, Chaplain Clemens, despite the continuous enemy artillery shelling, worked indefatigably extricating casualties from the wreckage. As a result of his courageous actions, all the wounded men were removed to safety where medical treatment was administered. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Tennessee.

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:

FRED D. PIERCE, 37153711, Corporal, Signal Corps, 90th Signal Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Berle and Doncols, Luxembourg. During an engagement with the enemy, Corporal Pierce was given the mission of delivering important messages to the \* \* Infantry command post. To accelerate delivery, he chose a route over open terrain subjected to enemy observation, though safer routes were available to him. Without regard for his personal safety, he advanced through intense observed artillery and mortar fire and accomplished his assignment with dispatch. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

GERARD P. LUKASIEWICZ, 6879131, Private First Class, Signal Corps, 90th Signal Company, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Berle and Doncols, Luxembourg. During an engagement with the enemy, Private First Class Lukasiewicz was given the mission of delivering important messages to the \* \* Infantry command post. To accelerate delivery, he chose a route over open terrain subjected to enemy observation, though safer routes were available to him. Without regard for his personal safety, he advanced through intense observed artillery and mortar fire and accomplished his assignment with dispatch. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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ORAN J. BARRON, JR., 0452371, Major, Signal Corps, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WENDEL H. BLACK, 17066980, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Headquarters 90th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 18 January to 15 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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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:

ALFRED C. GUTHRIE, 0306707, Major, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 and 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisse, France. During the Moselle River operations, the forward assault forces were vitally in need of ammunition and supplies. Due to the unprecedented flood stage of the river, vehicular travel across the torrent was impracticable. Major Guthrie organized and led a group of tractor drivers to the crossing site, directed the removal of a stalled vehicle, personally accompanied the first tractor across the treacherous current to reconnoiter a safe route for further crossings. Then, despite intense artillery and mortar fire, he directed the movement of six more successful round trips across the torrent. By this action a constant flow of supplies to the forward elements was maintained. 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 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:

LEON CRENSHAW, 0405411, Captain, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 8 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. When fire from pillboxes threatened the flanks of the advancing infantry, Captain Crenshaw established an artillery observation post in a slaughterhouse in order to direct artillery fire on the fortifications. Despite heavy artillery, machine gun and small arms fire, he remained at his post and relayed accurate fire data to the support artillery. His skilful direction of fire enabled the artillery battalion to silence the pillboxes. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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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FRANK A. THOMPSON, 01172313, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 14 and 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Neiderwampach, Luxembourg. During the assault on the town, First Lieutenant Thompson exposed himself to constant artillery, mortar and small arms fire for 25 hours in order to direct artillery fire upon key enemy positions. Although he was wounded seriously by a mortar burst and subsequently evacuated, his courageous actions were of material aid to the battalion in accomplishing its mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

DAVID W. WHITAKER, 38282603, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 14 and 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Neiderwampach, Luxembourg. During the assault on the town, Technician Fourth Grade Whitaker exposed himself to constant artillery, mortar and small arms fire for 25 hours in order to maintain radio communications in support of the battalion forward observer. Although he was wounded by a mortar burst and subsequently evacuated, his courageous actions were of material aid to the battalion in accomplishing its mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

HAROLD R. WILES, 35290305, Technician Fourth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 14 January 1945 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. An enemy shell exploded near a three-man forward observation party, causing a tree to injure and trap an officer, wounding the second member of the party and stunning Technician Fourth Grade Wiles. Quickly recovering his senses, Technician Fourth Grade Wiles extricated the officer, gave first aid to the wounded man and obtained the aid of an infantryman in carrying the two casualties 200 yards through constant shellfire to the safety of a basement. After getting medical aid for the wounded, he returned to the scene of the explosion and recovered valuable observation equipment. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

CLIFFORD A. MUCHMORE, 37155022, Corporal, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 14 and 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Neiderwampach, Luxembourg. During the assault on the town, Corporal Muchmore exposed himself to constant artillery, mortar and small arms fire for 25 hours in order to assist in the operation of a battalion observation post. Although he was wounded seriously by a mortar burst and subsequently evacuated, his courageous actions were of material aid to the battalion in accomplishing its mission. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from South Dakota.

KENNETH A. GARNER, 35146643, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 and 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisse, France. During the Moselle River operation, vehicular traffic over the swollen river became impracticable. Despite the continuous enemy artillery shelling and the raging torrent making the operation extremely hazardous, Technician Fifth Grade Garner drove an M-5 tractor towing trucks and trailers loaded with supplies over the river approach road and across the bridge to the east side of the river. His selfless

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and courageous action resulted in the expeditious delivery of critically needed food and ammunition to front line troops and the evacuation of wounded and prisoners on his return trips. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

NICK H. HOLLIDAY, 38102821, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 and 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisso, France. During the Moselle River operation, vehicular traffic over the swollen river became impracticable. Despite the continuous enemy artillery shelling and the raging torrent making the operation extremely hazardous, Technician Fifth Grade Holliday drove an M-5 tractor towing trucks and trailers loaded with supplies over the river approach road and across the bridge to the east side of the river. His selfless and courageous action resulted in the expeditious delivery of critically needed food and ammunition to front line troops and the evacuation of wounded and prisoners on his return trips. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

JOHN F. HOLLWECK, 16050435, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 11 and 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gavisso, France. During the Moselle River operation, vehicular traffic over the swollen river became impracticable. Despite the continuous enemy artillery shelling and the raging torrent making the operation extremely hazardous, Technician Fifth Grade Hollweck drove an M-5 tractor towing trucks and trailers loaded with supplies over the river approach road and across the bridge to the east side of the river. His selfless and courageous action resulted in the expeditious delivery of critically needed food and ammunition to front line troops and the evacuation of wounded and prisoners on his return trips. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

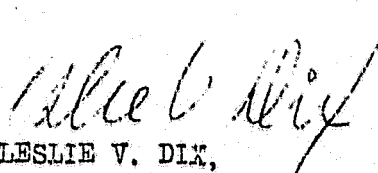
IV--AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

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 12 December 1944 to 23 January 1945, as Artillery Liaison Observer. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

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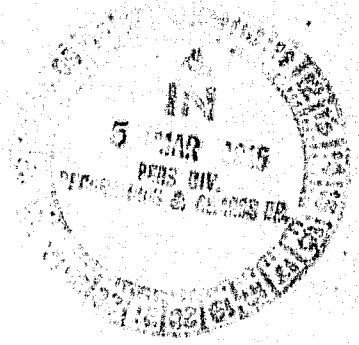
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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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:

GLENN R. DAVIS, 0293819, Major (then captain), Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 7 to 10 June 1944. During the initial stages of the invasion of France, Major Davis landed on the Normandy beaches with the advance party of the 90th Division Artillery and selected an assembly area for his battalion. At risk of his life, he then advanced through intense artillery, mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to locate infantry elements in need of artillery support. Upon completion of this hazardous mission, he returned to his organization and led the artillery observers through continued shelling to their assigned units. His courageous action facilitated the timely registration of accurate artillery fire in support of infantry troops. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

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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:

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~~KENNETH REIMERS, 0271586, Lieutenant Colonel, Field Artillery, 713d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement from 29 August to 4 September 1944 in the vicinity of Jonchery sur Vesle and Witry des Rheims, France. During the drive across northern France, Lieutenant Colonel Reimers employed the organic transportation of a supporting artillery battalion to transport infantry troops. At risk of his life, he reconnoitered routes for an infantry battalion and spearheaded the drives on the towns over roads not previously swept for mines. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.~~

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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:

JOSEPH W. COPELAND, 6230964, Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, the advance of an infantry company was temporarily halted by fire from a pillbox. Sergeant Copeland, with a companion, advanced at risk of his life through intense fire of various calibers to the stronghold and partially destroyed it with a demolition charge. He then secured another charge and, by detonating it in the embrasure of the installation, killed two enemy and forced the surrender of the 12 remaining occupants. His gallant act enabled the infantry to continue its advance and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

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:

STEPHEN BROCK, 35145162, Corporal (then private), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 6 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During an attack on the town, heavy fire from a pillbox wounded the leader of an engineer squad and impeded the advance of the infantry platoon to which the squad was attached. Corporal Brock at once assumed command of the squad and, at risk of his life, advanced through intense fire and placed a demolition charge against the fortification. The ensuing explosion breached the aperture of the pillbox, enabling the infantry to charge the stronghold, kill two enemy and capture eight. Corporal Brock's intrepid leadership and dauntless determination enabled the platoon to continue the advance and capture the objective. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

DELBERT HODGKISS, 35870310, Corporal (then private), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 October 1944 in the vicinity of Maizieres les Metz, France. When fire from a fortified house impeded the advance of the infantry, Corporal Hodgkiss, at risk of his life, subjected himself to the heavy fire, and with a flame thrower, traversed an open area near the building. In order to gain an entrance, he directed two infantrymen in demolishing one side of the house and a surrounding wall with explosive charges. As he approached the stronghold, a hand grenade bounced off his flame thrower and exploded nearby. He killed the grenade thrower

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and then set the house on fire. Through his courageous and aggressive action several enemy were killed and 7 were captured. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

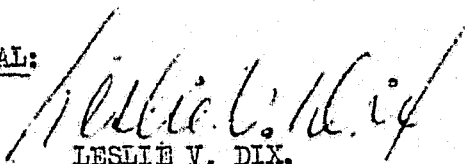
ELWOOD PEYTON, 39338998, Corporal (then private first class), Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Volunteering to destroy an active enemy pillbox with a demolition charge, Corporal Peyton moved with a companion over 100 yards of open ground, subjected to intense enemy mortar fire. Upon reaching the fortification, he placed the charge and then sought cover from the expected blast. When the fuse refused to ignite the charge, he risked his life and attached another. When this one also failed, he again ran across the open ground and used a match to light it. This attempt successfully destroyed the fortification. The courage and determination of Corporal Peyton enabled the infantry to capture 12 enemy and resume its advance. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Washington.

BEN H. MADDOX, JR., 6255789, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. During an attack on the town, the advance of an infantry company was temporarily halted by fire from a pillbox. Private First Class Maddox advanced at risk of his life through intense fire of various calibers to the stronghold and assisted in partially destroying it with a demolition charge. He then secured another charge, and, by detonating it in the embrasure of the installation, he killed two enemy and forced the surrender of the 12 remaining occupants. His gallant act enabled the infantry to continue its advance and was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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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:

CHARLES P. BEARD, 0365039, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, First Lieutenant Beard volunteered to lay a wire line across the swollen river and establish critically needed communications between the forward infantry units and the rear. Working from an assault boat under heavy artillery fire, he supervised the laying of the wire across the raging current to the battalion command post on the far side. Later, when the wire was severed by shell fragments, he advanced through the continued fire, reconnoitered the line and repaired the break. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Indiana.

JAMES E. KOEHLER, 35297477, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 December 1944 in the vicinity of Doncols, Luxembourg. During an attack on enemy positions, heavy machine gun fire caused numerous casualties and impeded the advance of Sergeant Koehler's platoon and the company to which it was attached. Sergeant Koehler immediately assumed command and brought machine guns and riflemen forward to establish an effective firing line. When a machine gunner was wounded, he personally manned the weapon, and, despite intense fire, continued to operate the gun, inflicting heavy casualties on the hostile forces until wounded seriously. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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:

QUINCY E. COBLE, JR., 34996748, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 January 1945 in the vicinity of Sulez, Luxembourg. During an attack on a mill, Private Coble manned a machine gun in support of an advancing platoon. Though wounded seriously, he remained at his gun and continued to return effective fire which killed the entire crew

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of an enemy machine gun. By his courageous and selfless devotion to duty, he materially aided the infantry in capturing 142 enemy and attaining its objective. His heroic achievement 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:

ARLIE F. BAILEY, 18029276, First Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, First Sergeant Bailey volunteered to lay a wire line across the swollen river and establish critically needed communications between the forward infantry units and the rear. Working from an assault boat under heavy artillery fire, he assisted an officer in laying the wire across the raging current to the battalion command post on the far side. Later, when the wire was severed by shell fragments, he advanced through the continued fire, reconnoitered the line and repaired the break. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

MELVIN P. GAREN, 37169713, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 15 to 22 December 1944 in the vicinity of Dillingen, Germany. Serving as the only aid man for a company during the Saar River operations, Technician Fifth Grade Garen distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. Working under artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he administered medical treatment to numerous wounded men and carried many casualties to places of safety. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

LEWIS W. BAKER, 35002053, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 5 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

JOHN HORBACH, 371554, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Wyoming.

JOHN W. BOTTENLAMP, 17050526, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 28 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

ROBERT L. BOND, 37179690, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 6 - 11 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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DALE W. TOTEMEYER, 37190493, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 2 June 1944 to 28 January 1945. 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:

✓ EDWARD L. MADDEN, 31190394, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 17 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. During a counterattack, it was believed that two wounded men had been left in a position now occupied by the enemy. Corporal Madden, voluntarily and without regard for his own safety, advanced through heavy artillery, mortar and tank fire and reached the hostile position. After talking to enemy officers, he learned that the casualties had already been evacuated. His heroic act in an attempt to aid his wounded comrades was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Connecticut.

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:

✓ FRANCIS E. STREET, W2109589, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

GABRIEL W. GORASKO, 37172061, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ WILLIAM B. LASHLEY, 37404639, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 7 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

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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:

ARNEY H. SCROFCE, 34435095, Technical 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 6 to 13 June 1944 and 28 July to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

WILLIAM S. HUMEHANSKY, 33139971, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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:

LESLIE M. EDWARDS, 01321898, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 21 August 1944 to 25 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Maryland.

EMORY M. ORNELLES, 01318694, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 17 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Hawaii.

RICHARD L. TATEM, 01325945, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 9 September 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

CHARLES A. WYTHE, 0309562, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June to 4 July 1944 and 11 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

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JOHN E. ATKINS, 6862173, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

CARREL F. BASLEY, 38146719, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June to 7 August 1944 and 24 August 1944 to 12 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

EDWARD G. REAMES, 6253460, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June to 9 September 1944 and 11 January to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

WOODROW W. WEGER, 39266824, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June to 16 September 1944 and 19 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from California.

JEROME C. WESTON, 17034959, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 25 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

HOWARD E. BOWEN, 36116928, 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 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

THOMAS S. CROWDER, 37011037, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 to 9 June 1944 and 4 September 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

ERHART L. DREIER, 37172700, 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 6 to 10 June 1944 and 24 July to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Washington.

JOHN V. GILSTRAP, 37156703, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June to 4 July 1944 and 21 August 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

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CHARLES A. HEINSLER, 42028775, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 23 July to 20 August 1944 and 13 November 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from New York.

KENNETH G. HORN, 37118849, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 19 June to 10 September 1944 and 22 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

JAMES E. McCURRY, 18103462, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June to 12 November 1944 and 30 November 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

CLAUDE K. OSLIN, 37107892, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

CARL L. HASH, 37492230, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June to 11 November 1944 and 2 December 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

LOUIE SCHAAF, 37169587, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

JOHN W. SIMMONS, 34473385, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 28 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

CHARLES A. SUMPSTER, JR., 18030361, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JOSEPH CUCIOTTA, 31032469, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Massachusetts.

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WILLIAM L. BRAMLEY, 37179823, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June to 13 November 1944 and 6 December 1944 to 27 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

CHARLES M. CATALDO, 33710703, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 5 July 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

JACK W. COCHRAN, 6580461, Sergeant, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 18 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from California.

CHARLES E. DANFORTH, 31265613, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 16 January 1945. Entered Military Service from New Hampshire.

WESLEY L. DECHERT, 38094775, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JESSIE C. HARRIS, 38146539, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June to 4 July 1944 and 10 September 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

SEYMUR W. KNIGHT, 33679485, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 21 July to 17 September 1944 and 30 September 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

FRED YACK, 32828539, Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 5 July 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from New York.

DONALD BERKENFAS, 37189149, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 14 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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LEON A. MAANUM, 37171602, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

GEORGE J. MARTEN, 42010864, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 24 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from New Jersey.

ARCHIE D. SULTON, 37107738, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 14 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

CHARLES F. GLASWANN, 37340383, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 July 1944 to 2 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

WALTER M. MOORE, JR., 34890004, Corporal, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from South Carolina.

ROBERT H. KRAFFT, 32532144, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from New York.

HARRY L. MANLEY, 37190030, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

LAWRENCE V. RENNER, 37171740, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

ROBERT R. ROGERS, 38094183, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

FUSEMO J. SAAVEDRA, 38013925, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

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SAM Y. SANCHEZ, 38093965, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

LEON SANFORD, 38147037, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

HARRY J. STAFFORD, 33394866, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

HAROLD N. TENNYSON, 37370242, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 14 August 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

R. L. WEBB, 38147326, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 12 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

JAMES G. ABERNATHY, 37117824, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

WOODROW E. WEAVER, 37172959, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

S. E. BOHNER, 38147343, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

HERMAN L. BUSSE, 38125072, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 11 August 1944 to 25 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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GRAFTON B. CRAWFORD, 34473937, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June to 3 July 1944 and 21 September 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Mississippi.

STANLEY S. GRABOWSKI, 33709019, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 5 July 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

VERNON W. HEFTY, 37154838, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 7 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

WILLIAM W. HESS, 35067893, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 24 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

DONALD A. LOGAN, 37124506, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

JOHN B. McCLAVY, 37190415, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

ARCHER M. MILLER, 37171988, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 7 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

CLINGMAN G. MYERS, 34434903, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 27 January 1945. Entered Military Service from North Carolina.

VICTOR L. NELSON, 37118962, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 19 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

JAMES D. PUSKAR, 33692367, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

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LASORA V. RAMIREZ, 38094839, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WARREN C. RAMSEY, 33690231, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 27 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

CHARLES L. RELOVSKY, JR., 35773179, Private First Class, Medical Department, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 17 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

RAY O. ROLAND, 37155552, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

WARREN H. ROOT, 37428389, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 16 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

AARON C. SEVERIN, 37265192, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

JOHNNY E. THOMPSON, 35760693, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France and Germany during the period 6 June to 31 December 1944. Entered Military Service from West Virginia.

JESSIE C. WALLACE, 38089777, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

WENDLIN WOLFE, 37172413, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 7 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

PAUL M. ZIGLAR, 17161500, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg during the period 13 June to 16 July 1944 and 13 November 1944 to 27 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

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

MITCHEL GOLDENTHAL, 025482, Captain, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany during the period 15 December 1944 to 10 February 1945. Entered Military Service from District of Columbia.

FRANCE M. LATSON, 38099863, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany, France, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 7 November 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

ARTHUR E. BUER, 3727330, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Luxembourg during the period 20 January to 2 February 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

CLYDE B. HROCH, 37012590, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Luxembourg during the period 20 January to 2 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

WILLIAM W. HEINO, 37171943, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 9 June 1944 to 9 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

JAMES E. REEVES, 38098708, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany, France, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 1 November 1944 to 9 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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ESTON E. SAXON, 34024112, Technician Fourth Grade, Corps of Engineers, 315th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany during the period 5 December 1944 to 2 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Florida.

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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:

✓ CASPER L. BERNER, 0475101, Captain, Medical Corps, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Wisconsin.

✓ RICHARD A. HILL, 13081332, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Texas.

✓ MAYNARD B. KITZMAN, 37172426, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 9 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

✓ FRANKLIN L. KEMP, 37154856, Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 9 June 1944 to 4 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Kansas.

✓ GEORGE J. RICHTER, 37173185, Sergeant, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

✓ JAMES E. MILBURN, 38148939, Technician 4th Grade, Medical Department, 315th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France during the period 8 June to 13 September 1944. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

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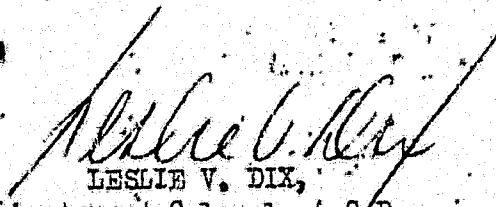
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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

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:

WILLIAM S. FAY, 01171998, Captain (then first lieutenant), Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from California.

JOHN I. WHITE, JR., 01165156, Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 29 September 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

MILLER H. FINK, 01177387, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters 90th Division Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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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:

ALBERT G. FERLBACH, 33309774, Technician Third Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Pennsylvania.

PAUL A. PATTERSON, 37172536, Corporal, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

JOSEPH V. RUIZ, 39085577, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 345th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany during the period 8 June 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered Military Service from California.

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22 February 1945

AWARD OF OAK-LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR-----	<u>SECTION</u> I
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 Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

X ARLIO H. KNOWLES, 0374661, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 20 October 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

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:

X ROBERT E. MOORE, 0325718, Major, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 20 October 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered Military Service from New Mexico.

X LEWIS G. FAUBLE, 0367038, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

X IRL W. SMITH, 0399271, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

X DONALD E. THOMSON, 0408035, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Iowa.

X ROBERT E. L. WILSON, III, 0339967, Captain, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 10 June 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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X JAMES V. BEVIS, 34614676, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 24 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Alabama.

X HAROLD J. HORNBACK, 16142909, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

X JOHN I. MARSHBANKS, 38104212, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 9 November 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

X V. J. SWAN, 38099961, Corporal, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 9 November 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Louisiana.

X JOE HEGLER, JR., 33104273, Technician Fifth Grade, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 10 June 1944 to 14 January 1945. Entered Military Service from Colorado.

X CARMINE N. VITTEZIANO, 32194891, Private First Class, Field Artillery, 915th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany and Luxembourg during the period 9 November 1944 to 14 January 1945. 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:

X FREDERIC W. LEMM, W2119969, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium during the period 26 August 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

X JOSEPH C. GRAY, 36058123, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany during the period 29 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

X JESSE M. SEAY, 35104098, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany during the period 3 July 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Kentucky.

X EUGENE A. SAID, 37461491, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, 712th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany during the period 29 June 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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23 February 1945

SECTION

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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, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ARTHUR WUOLLE, 3717020, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Sergeant Wuolle, as a voluntary member of a hand carrying party, repeatedly traversed a route under heavy fire of various calibers, carried critically needed supplies and ammunition to the front line troops and assisted in evacuating casualties to the rear. When the supply party was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, he, with five remaining members of the group, delivered the supplies to the rifle units and evacuated the wounded infantrymen. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Minnesota.

BERNARD R. JONES, 38098862, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Jones, as a voluntary member of a hand carrying party, repeatedly traversed a route under heavy fire of various calibers, carried critically needed supplies and ammunition to the front line troops and assisted in evacuating casualties to the rear. When the supply party was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, he, with five remaining members of the group, delivered the supplies to the rifle units and evacuated the wounded infantrymen. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Texas.

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, as amended, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

JOHN LANFRANKI, 36480594, Staff Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 8 to 10 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. Staff Sergeant Lanfranki led a patrol of five men through heavy shellfire to assault and capture an enemy pillbox, taking its 10 occupants prisoner and capturing two machine guns intact. For the next two days, he directed his men in successfully holding the fortification against five counterattacks. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Illinois.

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HERBERT L. HICKS, 35792894, Sergeant (then private first class), Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Sergeant Hicks, as a voluntary member of a hand carrying party, repeatedly traversed a route under heavy fire of various calibers, carried critically needed supplies and ammunition to the front line troops and assisted in evacuating casualties to the rear. When the supply party was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, he, with five remaining members of the group, delivered the supplies to the rifle units and evacuated the wounded infantrymen. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

WILLIAM L. PYLE, 35094102, Sergeant, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Sergeant Pyle, as a voluntary member of a hand carrying party, repeatedly traversed a route under heavy fire of various calibers, carried critically needed supplies and ammunition to the front line troops and assisted in evacuating casualties to the rear. When the supply party was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, he, with five remaining members of the group, delivered the supplies to the rifle units and evacuated the wounded infantrymen. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Oklahoma.

STANLEY L. BUDO, 37404828, Private First Class, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 11 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operations, Private First Class Budo, as a voluntary member of a hand carrying party, repeatedly traversed a route under heavy fire of various calibers, carried critically needed supplies and ammunition to the front line troops and assisted in evacuating casualties to the rear. When the supply party was subjected to an intense artillery barrage, he, with five remaining members of the group, delivered the supplies to the rifle units and evacuated the wounded infantrymen. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Missouri.

CHARLES J. EHRENSBERGER, 33434216, Private, Infantry, 357th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 6 to 9 December 1944 in the vicinity of Pachten, Germany. During the Saar River operation, Private Ehrensberger distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service. He worked tirelessly under heavy artillery and mortar fire, transporting supplies across the torrent to the front line troops. Though wounded during a trip across the river, he refused to be evacuated for medical treatment until the mission was completed. His heroic service 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, as amended, a Bronze Star is awarded posthumously to:

OSCAR C. FINKBEINER, 0519644, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 11 June 1944 in the vicinity of Picaucville, France. During an attack on enemy positions near the town, the company's advance was impeded by fire of various calibers. Second Lieutenant Finkbeiner, voluntarily and without regard for his personal safety, drew fire upon himself in order to determine the location of hostile machine guns. Though he was mortally wounded, his courageous and selfless action enabled his platoon to silence the machine gun and continue its advance. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Arkansas.

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, as amended, a Bronze Star is awarded to:

FRANK A. SCHMIDT, JR., 01299633, First Lieutenant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 15 to 20 January 1945 in the vicinity of Oberwampach, Luxembourg. While holding a position in the town, First Lieutenant Schmidt's platoon was subjected to fierce counter-attacks from all sides by a strong force supported by tanks and self-propelled guns. Moving from building to building under direct fire, First Lieutenant Schmidt encouraged the men to remain in position and continue firing at the enemy until every attack was repelled. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan.

HARL M. RALEY, 35604394, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Neiderwampach, Luxembourg. An infantry company moving down a hillside was pinned down by machine gun fire. Staff Sergeant Raley voluntarily ran back up the hill under the intense fire to a mortar position and directed effective fire on the enemy. Upon resuming the advance, the company was again pinned down by fire from a concealed machine gun. Staff Sergeant Raley deliberately moved into an exposed area, drew fire on himself and thus ascertained the enemy position. His courageous action inspired the men to continue the attack and seize the company's objective. His heroic achievement was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Ohio.

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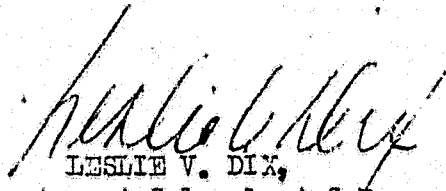
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ALF O. SKAR, 37568324, Technician Fifth Grade (then private first class), Medical Department, 358th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations from 15 July 1944 to 24 January 1945 in France, Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg. During this period, Technician Fifth Grade Skar distinguished himself in the performance of outstanding service as a Medical Aid Man. Despite intense enemy fire, he, without regard for his personal safety, worked indefatigably as he administered first aid to the wounded who were in need of his services. His heroic service aided in saving the lives of wounded men and was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

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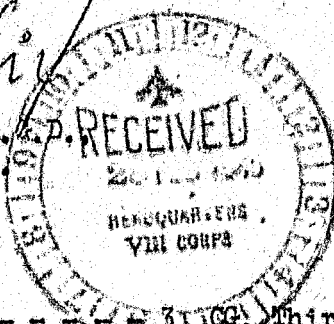
The Third Battalion, 358th Infantry, is cited for extraordinary heroism in the face of the enemy in France. During the period 10 - 12 July 1944, the officers and men of this organization displayed great courage, endurance and dogged determination in the attack through the dense Forest de Mont Castra, France. The position known as the "Mahlman Line" was part of the main enemy defensive line. It consisted of dug-in positions, cunningly camouflaged in the tangled underbrush and other devices which utilized to the fullest the natural defensive qualities of the area. Despite repeated fierce enemy counterattacks the Battalion relentlessly drove forward and eliminated a battalion of parachute infantry and a company of parachute engineers, both of which were part of the elite 5th German Parachute Division. By the end of the first day the Battalion Commander and 11 of the 17 Company officers were casualties but the advance had progressed to within 75 yards of the initial objective. The following day the remnants of the three rifle companies, one of which had only 20 men, were reorganized into one composite company with a strength of 126 men and commanded by a Lieutenant. In a renewed charge the depleted Battalion overran the objective, killed 40 enemy, captured 8 machine guns, bazookas and mortars. On 12 July 1944, as it left the forest the Battalion, retaining its aggressiveness, fought with exceptional daring and great skill and took successive objectives. The Battalion's break through the enemy's main position contributed materially to the Division's advance. The inspiring leadership of its officers and the gallantry displayed by all ranks were in accordance with highest military tradition.

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I--AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, 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, as amended, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, an Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously to:

JOHN K. Mc GUIRE, 42023405, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 November 1944 in the vicinity of Kerling, France. While leading a patrol on a reconnaissance through hostile lines, Staff Sergeant Mc Guire, upon entering a pillbox, surprised and captured 10 occupants. When he noticed enemy troops closing in on the stronghold, he placed his men in strong defensive positions and dispatched one man to the command post to secure assistance. Despite heavy fire he, at risk of his life, effectively fired a machine gun at the advancing troops and killed or wounded 30 and forced the remaining enemy to surrender. Though he was killed in a later action, his courageous leadership will be a lasting inspiration to all his comrades. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from New York.

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, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

JAMES E. HEGG, 6858025, First Sergeant, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hunting, France. During a counterattack, a company command post was subjected to heavy machine gun fire. First Sergeant Hegg obtained a sub-machine gun, voluntarily advanced to an exposed position and opened fire upon the foe. Despite the hand grenades and intense fire now directed at him, he held his position and continued to fire so effectively that he neutralized the hostile machine gun fire, killed approximately 20 of the enemy and wounded innumerable others. His gallantry was in accordance with high military tradition. Entered Military Service from North Dakota.

III--AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL--. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45 and Section I, Circular 6, Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

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DONALD G. GORTON, 0268295, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroism aboard the United States Navy Transport, Susan B. Anthony, in the English Channel off the coast of Normandy on 7 June 1944. Lieutenant Colonel Gorton commanded a battalion which was on board the troop ship when it struck a mine. When the ship commander ordered the boat abandoned, Lieutenant Colonel Gorton worked in rapidly flooding holds, evacuating all injured personnel and passing weapons to the troops. During the transfer to an LST, he clung to the rail of the rescuing craft with one hand and personally assisted approximately 200 men from the destroyer on board. His selfless, courageous and untiring performance assisted the evacuation of the sinking ship without the loss of a man. Entered Military Service from Nebraska.

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, as amended, the Bronze Star is awarded to:

ROSCOE LORENTZ, JR., 36414226, Private First Class, Infantry, 359th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic service in support of operations on 14 and 15 October 1944 in the vicinity of Amanvillers, France. During the battle near the town, Private First Class Lorentz occupied an observation post 1200 yards ahead of friendly front lines. Although shrapnel fell five feet from his position, and enemy patrols passed only five yards from his concealment, he held his post and directed effective artillery and mortar fire that killed, wounded or effected the capture of numerous enemy and destroyed key emplacements and equipment. His heroic service was in accordance with military tradition. Entered Military Service from Michigan

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AWARD OF FIFTH 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, as amended, in addition to the Air Medal and four Oak-Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a fifth Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

EDWARD C. HICKS, JR., 01183537, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 343d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period 22 December 1944 to 26 January 1945 as Artillery Liaison Pilot. Entered Military Service from Oregon.

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