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FO 90, U. S. A.

12 October 1945

GENERAL ORDERS:

NUMBER.....6:

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 Sep 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded Sgt. Floyd L. Bontrager, ASN 58088773, for injuries received in action against the enemy on 15 Nov 1944 in France. Entered service from Oklahoma.

By Order of Colonel PYLE:

OFFICIAL:

*Edward A. Palka*  
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2 November 1945

GENERAL ORDERS:

NUMBER .....7:

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 Sep 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded Major Max Goodman, O-422 387, MC, for injuries received in action against the enemy on 9 April 1945 at Langensalza, Germany. Entered Military service from Massachusetts.

By Order of Colonel SUTTON:

ROY J. SILVERBLATT  
1st. Lt. FA  
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Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 11a AR 600-45, and my authority granted this headquarters in letter, Hq USAFFE, Manila, P.I., file 2205, Miscellaneous AGO Subject "Award of Decorations", dated December 14, 1941, announcements of the following awards are made.

AWARD OF SILVER STAR CITATION WITH OAK LEAF CLUSTER

1. The Silver Star Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded Colonel John H. Rodman (then Lieutenant Colonel) (O-7425), Infantry, US Army for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States on December 25, 1941. On this date, Colonel Rodman commanded the 92nd Infantry, 91st Division (PA) USAFFE. This regiment at the time was in contact with the enemy. At about 11:00 P.M., December 25, 1941, Colonel Rodman was informed that a large dump of ordnance and artillery ammunition located in the old front line had not been destroyed as ordered. Units executing a scheduled withdrawal the hour previously had failed to destroy the dump as their withdrawal had been made under hostile fire. Colonel Rodman with disregard for his own personal safety, led a group of four Americans ten kilometers to the old front line, and personally supervised and directed the destruction of 2500 rounds of 75 mm ammunition, valuable ordnance, and other supplies and small ammunition. The tremendous explosion caused confusion in the ranks of the enemy in the vicinity of the fire, resulting in Colonel Rodman being able to lead his patrol safely back to his own position. By his gallantry in face of hostile resistance valuable supplies were prevented from falling in the hands of the enemy. The act of bravery quickly spread throughout the entire 92nd Infantry which resulted in higher morale, and greatly increased the respect of the Native Officers and men for the American personnel. ✓

2. A Silver Star Citation with Oakleaf Cluster is awarded Captain (then First Lieutenant) B.N. Skardon, Infantry USAFFE, for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States, on January 19, 1942, in the vicinity of Mouban Point, Bataan, P.I. On this date, Captain Skardon was in command of Company A, 92nd Infantry, (PA), USAFFE while clearing the Mouban Point-Mount Silgaugonan Trail, Bataan, PI, of hostile patrols, the company being unable to advance further against hostile force occupying an important trail junction, Captain Skardon with utter disregard for his own personal safety, led a platoon through the jungle to a position where he personally directed flanking fire on the enemy position. By his gallant action, his coolness and courage and ability, he inspired the confidence of the Native troops and officers so that they attacked and drove the enemy from his position.

### AWARD OF SILVER STAR CITATIONS

3. The Silver Star Citation is awarded to Captain B.N. Skardon (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, USAFFE, for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States on the night of December 25, 1941. On this date, Captain Skardon was serving as plans and training officer, 92nd Infantry, 21st Division (PA), USAFFE, on hearing that an Ammunition dump had been abandoned by withdrawing troops earlier in the night, in the face of the enemy, Captain Skardon volunteered to assist in its destruction with four other Americans, he proceeded across the front of the hostile force for ten kilometers assisted in the preparation of the demolition charges, that resulted in the destruction of 2500 rounds of 75 mm artillery ammunition, valuable ordnance and other supplies. In the confusion that followed the explosion Captain Skardon returned with the other four Americans to his own front line. By his gallant action, Captain Skardon prevented valuable supplies from falling into hands of the enemy. This action resulted in higher morale, and naturally increased the respect of the Native officers and men for the American personnel.

4. The Silver Star Citation is awarded 2nd Lieutenant (then Corporal, 31st Infantry, U.S. Army) Calvin D. Quinn, 92nd Infantry, 91st Division (PA), USAFFE, for gallantry in action on January 19, 1942 against an enemy of the United States. On this date, 2nd Lieutenant Quinn was a platoon leader in Company A, 92nd Infantry (PA) operating against the enemy on the Mauban point Mount Silangan Trail, Bataan, PI., when his platoon was held up by hostile fire, he with utter disregard for his own personal safety, crawled forward, outflanking a hostile machine gun and put it out of action by hand grenades. Encouraged by the gallant act, the leadership and courage displayed by 2nd Lieutenant Quinn, his men were greatly inspired and advanced and seized the hostile position.

5. The Silver Star Citation is awarded Major Judson B. Crow, Infantry USAFFE, for gallantry in action on January 20-21, 1942, against an enemy of the United States. On this date, Major Crow was the commander of the First Battalion, 92nd Infantry (PA), USAFFE, in action against the enemy near KP 172, Bagac-Moron Road. At this time his rifle companies and machine gun platoon had been sent on special missions by higher headquarters. He knew that the road to the rear had been cut by hostile forces. Realizing the seriousness of the situation to the rear, he without regard for his own personal safety, and without orders, assembled detachments of engineers, artillerymen, pack troops, and other troops, organized them into units, and personally led them into position in close contact with the enemy. Throughout the night of January 20-21 1942, and all next day with tireless energy, and without disregard for his own safety, he in the face of hostile fire continued to direct personally the fire of the units at a critical time. By his personal supervision, the confidence of the native troops was greatly increased, so that they resisted the attempts of the enemy to widen the penetration.

6. The Silver Star Citation is awarded Captain Henry D. Leitner, Infantry, USAFFE, for gallantry in action on January 19th 1942, against an armed enemy of the United States. On this date, Captain Leitner was in command of Company D, 92nd Infantry, (PA), USAFFE operating in the jungle north of KP 170 on the Bagac-Mouban Road, Bataan, PI. Being informed that hostile units had penetrated to his right rear, cutting off communications to the rear, he immediately led a machine gun platoon, and a section of volunteer riflemen through the jungle and over mountainous terrain to a position to place flanking fire on the hostile position. Throughout the afternoon in face of hostile fire, he with utter disregard for his own personal safety, personally directed the fire and emplacements of his machine guns, and personally led an assault on a hostile machine gun. By his tireless energy, his ability to lead, the above gallant act resulted in the efforts of further penetration by the enemy in his area to be greatly restored.

7. The Silver Star Citation is awarded Major C.J. Browne, (then Captain), Infantry, USAFFE, for gallantry in action on January 23, 1942 in the vicinity of KP 167, Bagac-Mouban Road, Bataan, PI. On this date, Major Browne was placed in command of the 3rd Battalion, 72nd Infantry, (PA), then in contact with the enemy. On arriving in the position of his forward units, he found the hostile force advancing on his position. With utter disregard for his own safety, he took personal charge of a machine gun and drove off a hostile mortar section that was attempting to get into position in his near front. By this gallant action and his coolness and courage, the example set encouraged the native troops to hold their position, to deliver more effective fire, break-up hostile attacks, and finally to attack themselves pushing the enemy back about 800 yards. This action secured the position against further hostile attacks for two days at which time Major Browne's battalion was ordered to withdraw by higher headquarters.

8. The Silver Star Citation is awarded First Lieutenant (then Second Lt) Louis I. Bentz, Jr., for gallantry in action on January 21, 1942 against an enemy of the United States in the vicinity of KP 167 Bagac-Mouban Road, Bataan, PI. On this date, Lieutenant Bentz was the Company Commander of Company B, 92nd Infantry, (PA), USAFFE, operating in a mountainous jungle covering the right of a force astride the Bagac-Mouban Road. On receiving information that a hostile patrol had penetrated the area between his position and the unit on his left, he with utter disregard for his own personal safety, immediately led two squads to that flank and personally directed surprising flanking fire on the hostile unit forcing it to withdraw to the north. By his prompt and gallant action, his initiative, and his coolness and courage displayed under hostile fire, he prevented the penetration of his position. This gallantry greatly inspired the Native troops which made them much more effective to resist future hostile attacks.

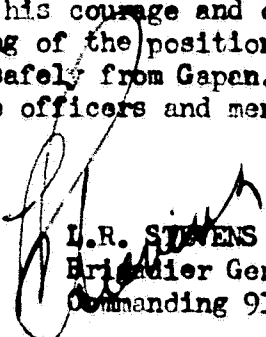
9. The Silver Star Citation is awarded Captain (then First Lieutenant) George H. Cockburn, Infantry, USAFFE, for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States on January 21, 1942, near KP 168, Bagac-Mouban Road, Bataan, PI. On this date, Captain Cockburn was the battalion commander of the 2nd Battalion, 92nd Infantry, (PA) USAFFE. The leading company in an attack against the enemy was stopped thus preventing the rest of the battalion to advance.

Captain Cockburn personally took command of the leading company, and with utter disregard for his own personal safety, personally led the company forward to close contact with the enemy. By his gallant action and his disregard for his ownself, he restored the confidence of the native troops which enabled them to hold their position until ordered to withdraw by higher authority.

10. The Silver Star Citation is awarded Captain Arthur E. Fouret, Inf., USAFFE, for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States on January 29, 1942, near Bagac, Bataan, PI. On this date, Captain Fouret was in command of Company D, 91st Infantry, (PA), USAFFE, he volunteered to personally establish a regimental observation post in the front line of the regimental sector. While this sector was under constant hostile small arm fire and artillery fire, Captain Fouret with utter disregard for his own safety, established the observation post and personally kept the regimental commander informed of the situation. At the same time he observed and adjusted his own friendly artillery fire. This gallant act greatly encouraged the troops in the vicinity of the observation post as well as making possible the delivery of such accurate and close concentrated artillery fire of several artillery battalions that the hostile attack was broken up.

#### AWARD OF PURPLE HEART CITATION

11. The Purple Heart Citation is awarded Colonel Edgar H. Keltner (then Lieutenant Colonel) Infantry, (O-8241), for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States near Gapan, Nueva Eliza, PI, on December 29, 1941. On this date, Colonel Keltner was the regimental commander 92nd Infantry, (PA) USAFFE. About 6:00 P.M., due to the failure of the outpost to hold, the enemy moved unmolested into the town of Gapan, Nueva Eliza, PI, causing the troops in that vicinity to break and stampede south along highway 5. Colonel Keltner was in Gapan at the time. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, he immediately moved to a position about 500 yards south of the town of Gapan, stopped the onrushing troops and forced them to occupy a position astride highway 5 to stop the attack of the hostile force which would allow further withdrawals of men and transportation from the vicinity of Gapan. Colonel Keltner with utter disregard for his own safety, walked along the firing line then subjected to hostile fire encouraging his men to stay in position, and to take careful aim in returning the hostile fire. By his courage and coolness, Colonel Keltner rendered great assistance in the holding of the position which allowed most of the troops and transportation to move safely from Gapan. This act of gallantry was a great inspiration to the Native officers and men. ✓

  
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AWARDS OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 3, War Department, 1926), and under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, paragraph 6 (3) as amended by Change 6, 28 October 1942, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

✓ First Sergeant WILLIAM G. TULARSKI (Army Serial Number 6430726), Company "E", 362nd Infantry, for heroism at Lower Bridge, Deschutes River near Redmond, Oregon on 24 October 1943. In the execution of Problem No. 7 of IV Corps Oregon Maneuvers which called for the crossing of a fast-flowing mountain stream, an assault boat overturned spilling its occupants into the water. Sgt Tularski, whose company had successfully completed the crossing, was standing on the opposite bank and saw the accident. The day was bitter cold and the wind very strong. Fully conscious of the odds he faced, he removed his clothing, entered the flood-swollen stream at the risk of his own life, and saved the life of Sergeant Stanley K Dodds, ASN 37442420, Company "H", 362nd Infantry. The gallantry and bravery which he so nobly demonstrated warrants for him the fullest recognition by his Government. Residence at enlistment: Detroit, Michigan. ✓

Private First Class THOMAS L. HAWKINS, (Army Serial Number 34394850), Company "H", 362nd Infantry, for heroism at Lower Bridge, Deschutes River near Redmond, Oregon on 24 October 1943. During IV Corps Oregon Maneuvers, Problem No. 7 called for a river crossing. Private First Class Hawkins was a passenger in an assault boat used in shuttling men and equipment across the Deschutes River which overturned spilling its occupants into the water. After swimming ashore, he removed his clothing and dived back into the water to rescue Private First Class Andrew C. Gomez, ASN 39686172, Company "E", 362nd Infantry, who had also entered the stream in an attempt to save some of his comrades and was then unable to save himself. Private First Class Hawkins repeatedly dived into the water trying to locate Gomez until he was ordered out of the water by his Commanding Officer. Unmindful of his own safety and in spite of the facts that the day was bitter cold and the water whipped by a high wind, Private Hawkins displayed a high degree of gallantry and bravery by risking his own life in an attempt to save the life of another. Residence at enlistment: Brewton, Alabama.

Private First Class ANDREW C. GOMEZ (Army Serial Number 39686172), Company "E", 362nd Infantry, for heroism. (Posthumously). At Lower Bridge, Deschutes River near Redmond, Oregon, on 24 October 1943. In the execution of Problem No. 7 of IV Corps Oregon Maneuvers which called for a crossing of a fast-flowing mountain stream, an assault boat overturned spilling its occupants into the water. Private First Class Gomez,

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whose company had successfully completed the crossing, was standing on the opposite bank and saw the accident. The day was bitter cold and the wind very high. Fully conscious of the odds he faced, he partially removed his clothing and dived into the flood-swollen stream. In the attempt to rescue some of his comrades, he made the supreme sacrifice. The gallantry and bravery which he so nobly demonstrated warrants for him the fullest recognition by his Government. Residence at enlistment: Hanford, California.

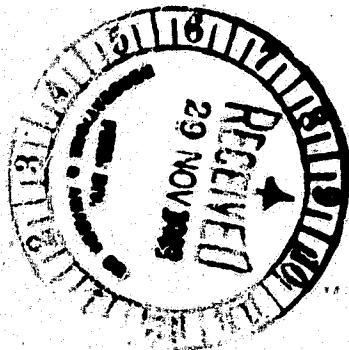
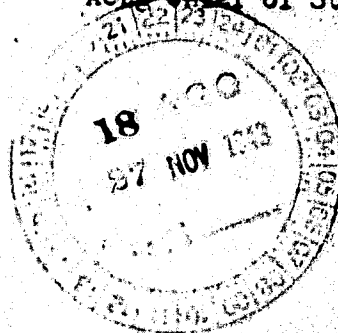
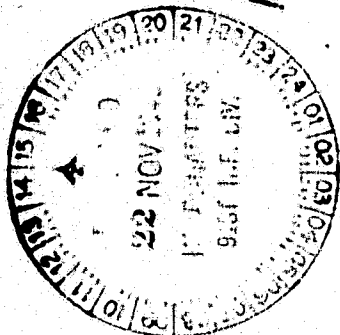
By command of Major General LIVESAY:

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Actg Chief of Staff.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (PRISONER OF WAR)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man, who is a prisoner of war.

VERNON H. BYINGTON, (39902865), Private First Class, Company A, 368d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. When his company was temporarily halted by intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire from well dug-in emplacements in the Gothic Line, Private First Class BYINGTON and five other men volunteered to go forward and neutralize the fire so the company could continue its advance. Moving forward cautiously up the barren and fully exposed slope, he encountered a minefield. By probing with his bayonet and crawling slowly forward he crossed the dangerous area. He next encountered a mass of barbed-wire entanglements which he went through safely even though the enemy concentrated heavy machine gun fire on him as he painstakingly crawled under the wire. Then Private First Class BYINGTON and the other men formulated a plan for surprise and maneuver. After skillfully engaging the enemy in a fierce fire fight, they gradually closed in, finally rushing the positions and completely overcoming the surprised Germans. Three enemy were killed and eight captured. Three heavy machine guns were destroyed and five machine pistols rendered ineffective. Through Private First Class BYINGTON'S gallant action, the company was able to advance and capture its objectives with far less casualties than would have been possible otherwise. Private First Class BYINGTON'S indomitable courage, combat skill and determination in the face of the enemy exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry of the United States Army. Entered military service from Grace, Idaho. Next of kin: Mr. Royal E. Byington, (Giths), Route 1, Grace, Idaho.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

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*See award by 103-7-1-1* **FIRST**  
SERVIN KRIEGER, (O-1305795), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near LaFortuna, Italy. Lieutenant KRIEGER led his platoon to a position 2000 yards behind enemy lines to establish a road block. When an enemy vehicle and a column of infantrymen approached the position, Lieutenant KRIEGER skillfully directed bazooka and small arms fire on the enemy force, destroying the vehicle and routing the enemy. The Germans then brought up tanks and placed direct fire on Lieutenant KRIEGER'S platoon. Refusing to give ground, Lieutenant KRIEGER, by exposing himself boldly to enemy observation and fire, led his men in repulsing the heavy counterattack which followed, taking a heavy toll of the enemy. Another large enemy column attempted to withdraw past his position. Fully aware of the heavy odds against him, Lieutenant KRIEGER led his men in a fierce fire fight. He personally killed three of the enemy and again his men routed the hostile force, inflicting heavy casualties on them. Lieutenant KRIEGER'S gallant action, which cost the enemy more than 25 dead and wounded, completely disrupted the enemy's defensive plan and forced them to withdraw from key positions. His outstanding leadership and exceptional courage in the face of great personal danger are in keeping with the high traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from San Mateo, California.

JOHN P. DAUGHTRY, (34456558), Technical Sergeant, Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 September 1944, near Villanova, Italy. During a night advance on an enemy held position, Technical Sergeant DAUGHTRY'S company encountered a river. As the advance elements approached the stream, six men were injured by mines. Technical Sergeant DAUGHTRY immediately volunteered to go ahead of the company to clear a path for his comrades. Despite the intense darkness, and the unknown positions of the mines, he boldly advanced to the river's edge. Probing carefully and thoroughly, Technical Sergeant DAUGHTRY discovered seven mines and skillfully released their trip-wires and disarmed them. He then made his way along the river bank until he found a path. After wading across the river, Technical Sergeant DAUGHTRY cleared the mines from the opposite bank, making a safe lane for his company to use in crossing the stream. Having completed this mission, he returned to his company and gave them complete and accurate instructions as to the route to take. Technical Sergeant DAUGHTRY'S gallant act made it possible for his company to cross the stream without suffering further casualties. His unselfish devotion to duty, indomitable courage and combat skill exemplify the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Smithfield, North Carolina.

WILLIAM A. BORBA, (39112562), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. In an attack on strongly defended enemy positions, Staff Sergeant BORBA skillfully led three other soldiers in securing an enemy held building, killing five of the enemy with accurate rifle fire and capturing a machine gun. Attempting to drive them out of the house, the enemy subjected the building to intense machine gun, mortar and rocket fire. Two of the men with Staff Sergeant BORBA were killed. Determined to hold the position, Staff Sergeant BORBA and the other men took firing positions at the windows. Under the incessant enemy fire, the building began to crumble. Seeing a portion of the wall about to fall on his comrade, Staff

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Sergeant BORBA, disregarding the intense enemy automatic fire striking all about him, rushed to the other soldier and pushed him aside just as the wall collapsed. Under ceaseless enemy fire, the two men held the house for 24 hours until they were ordered to leave. Staff Sergeant BORBA'S indomitable courage under fire prevented the enemy from regaining a key position and saved his comrade from serious injury. His outstanding leadership and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Niles, California.

HERMAN F. TETER, (6939004), Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 October 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. While working as an aid man with a company that was attacking strongly defended positions near La Fabbrica, Technician Third Grade TETER was notified that a company on his flank had received numerous casualties and needed another aid man. Upon hearing this, Technician Third Grade TETER voluntarily crossed four hundred yards of open terrain, exposed to constant enemy small arms and artillery fire to give additional medical assistance. Working without regard for his own safety, he dressed the wounds of nine seriously injured men and then directed their evacuation to an aid station. When he was satisfied that the regular aid man could take care of the remaining casualties, Technician Third Grade TETER once again crossed the four hundred yards of ground under direct enemy observation only to find a number of new casualties in his company. In his same indomitable manner, he moved from man to man giving first aid and directing their evacuation. Technician Third Grade TETER'S heroic determination, selfless devotion to duty and gallant action under fire exemplifies the finest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Moberly, Missouri.

SAMUEL T. GIBSON, (37228741), Private First Class, 1st Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When the building in which Private First Class GIBSON and his platoon were located was subjected to direct enemy tank fire, it was decided to move from there to a place of better cover. As they attempted to leave the building, they were met by severe enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Immediately Private First Class GIBSON and another man left their place of cover to silence the hostile weapon. Carrying their bazooka, they advanced directly into the fire. Three times Private First Class GIBSON and his companion were driven back by the intense fire. Determined to neutralize the enemy machine gun, Private First Class GIBSON raised himself to a position in full view of the enemy and fired into the position, completely destroying gun and crew. He then turned his weapon on a house in which two snipers were located and with one round, killed one of them, while his comrade took care of the other. Private First Class GIBSON'S gallant act enabled his comrades to maneuver to other positions without suffering casualties. His courage under fire, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Milo, Missouri.

HARRY F. GIFFORD, (20730427), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 October 1944, near C. Fiume, Italy. Staff Sergeant GIFFORD, as acting squad

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leader, was instructed to lead his squad in taking a large house, located on the forward slope of a barren hill. Despite intense enemy artillery and mortar fire and lack of cover, they quickly approached to within 75 yards of the building. Staff Sergeant GIFFORD then ordered his squad to cover him with fire as he crawled toward the house. As he neared a door, he saw it slowly close. Realizing that there were probably Germans inside, Staff Sergeant GIFFORD crawled along the wall until he reached the door, and ordered them to surrender. Receiving no answer he threw in a grenade and three Germans came out. Staff Sergeant GIFFORD directed them to a spot approximately 20 yards from the house. Just then an artillery shell landed, killing one of the prisoners. The other two Germans immediately ran back into the building. Again Staff Sergeant GIFFORD ordered them out of the building. When no one came, he threw in two grenades. This time nineteen Germans walked out and surrendered to him. Staff Sergeant GIFFORD'S indomitable courage, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Steele, Missouri.

HERMAN R. STANISLAV, (37484559), Private First Class, 1st Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When the building in which Private First Class STANISLAV and his platoon were located was subjected to direct enemy tank fire, it was decided to move from that location to a place of better cover. As they attempted to leave the building, they were met by severe enemy machine gun and sniper fire. Immediately Private First Class STANISLAV and another man left their place of cover to silence the hostile weapon. Carrying their bazooka, they advanced directly into the fire. Three times Private First Class STANISLAV and his companion were driven back by the intense fire. Determined to neutralize the enemy machine gun, Private First Class STANISLAV raised himself to a position in full view of the enemy and fired into the position, completely destroying gun and crew. He then turned his weapon on a house in which two snipers were located and, with one round, killed one of them while his comrade took care of the other one. Private First Class STANISLAV'S gallant act enabled his comrades to maneuver to other positions without suffering casualties. His courage under fire, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Linwood, Nebraska.

JOSEPH H. KREUSER, (39862771), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944, near San Agato, Italy. When several men fell, seriously wounded, in an exposed position and litter bearers were unable to reach them because of intense fire, Private KREUSER immediately volunteered to enter the perilous area to treat his comrades. With utter disregard for personal safety, he crossed an uncleared minefield, without a guide, to reach one of the wounded men. As Private KREUSER carried him back, the enemy fire grew in intensity. Falling to the ground, he threw himself over the wounded man to protect him. Fragments from a tree-burst 20 yards away dented Private KREUSER'S helmet. With unwavering courage, he again picked up the helpless soldier and carried him to a shallow trench where he administered first aid. With two other men,

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Private KREUSER improvised a litter and carried the wounded man through the undiminished enemy fire to an evacuation point. Private KREUSER'S gallant act enabled the man to receive prompt medical attention. His courage under fire, unselfish humanity and technical skill exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Phoenix, Arizona.

JACOB J. TURKOWITCH, (36839914), Private First Class (then Private), Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Private First Class TURKOWITCH'S outpost position, located on the forward slope of a hill, was subjected to an intense enemy artillery concentration. Realizing that a counterattack might be launched against his emplacement, Private First Class TURKOWITCH refused to move to a place of cover. When the concentration lifted, he noticed a group of 12 Germans ascending the slope toward his position. Private First Class TURKOWITCH immediately threw a grenade in their midst. Reorganizing their badly confused group, the enemy continued up the hill. Private First Class TURKOWITCH again threw a grenade at them. This time the enemy took cover and immediately subjected Private First Class TURKOWITCH to intense small arms fire in an attempt to dislodge him from his position. Refusing to leave, despite the heavy odds against him, he remained in his position for two hours, keeping the Germans from advancing by throwing one well placed grenade after the other at them. Finally the enemy withdrew from the hill. Private First Class TURKOWITCH'S gallant act stopped a serious counterattack and prevented his company's position from being attacked. His courage under fire, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

### III - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

JAMES N. PETERSON, (O-436580), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroism on 30 July 1944, near Palais, Italy. When two enlisted men unknowingly entered a minefield and detonated a mine which mortally wounded one and seriously injured the other, Lieutenant PETERSON, with utter disregard for his personal safety, moved to help the injured men, by using an encircling route and scrutinizing the ground carefully. Later, 12 mines were removed from the area which he had crossed. Upon reaching the wounded men, Lieutenant PETERSON prepared to administer first aid. As he knelt to apply a tourniquet, he detonated a mine, causing the loss of his foot. In his initiative and humane feeling for his fellow men, Lieutenant PETERSON demonstrated the high tradition of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

ROY A. MARACINI, (36403620), Corporal, Headquarters Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroism on 30 July 1944, near Palais, Italy. When two comrades unknowingly entered a minefield and detonated a mine which mortally wounded one and severely injured the other, Corporal

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MARACINI, with utter disregard for his personal safety determined to aid the dying man. Threading his way carefully in the field he made his way to the men. In his courageous attempt to aid others, he himself was wounded. Corporal MARACINI'S initiative and humane feeling for his fellow men demonstrated the high tradition of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Iron Mountain, Michigan.

RAYMOND L. ROBERTS, (37321346), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroism on 30 July 1944, near Palaia, Italy. When two comrades unknowingly entered a minefield and detonated a mine which mortally wounded one and severely injured the other, Technician Fifth Grade ROBERTS, with utter disregard for his personal safety determined to aid the dying man. Threading his way carefully in the field, he made his way to the men. In his courageous attempt to aid others, he himself was wounded. Technician Fifth Grade ROBERTS' initiative and humane feeling for his fellow men demonstrated the high tradition of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Hector, Minnesota.

ALBERT L. FRANKO, (16133029), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroism on 30 July 1944, near Palaia, Italy. After two comrades had unknowingly entered a heavily mined area and detonated a mine which mortally wounded one and severely injured the other, Private First Class FRANKO acted quickly and coolly. He speedily assembled a mine detector nearby and ran to the minefield, where three more casualties had been sustained in attempts to rescue the injured. Private First Class FRANKO, swept a path to the wounded men, administered first aid and prepared them for evacuation. He himself carried one comrade through the field to safety. In his intelligent appraisal of the hazardous situation, his calm successful meeting of the emergency, and his selfless devotion to his comrades, Private First Class FRANKO bespeaks the high tradition of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Clayton, Wisconsin.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (PRISONER OF WAR)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, to the following named enlisted man, who is a prisoner of war.

T. D. BOYD, (18008705), Staff Sergeant, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Fostoria, Texas. Next of kin: Mrs. Clara L. Boyd, (mother), Box 312, Fostoria, Texas.

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, to the following named personnel:

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MAC WILLIAM L. LEWIS, (O-1695630), Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 June 1944, near Montiera, Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

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GUY R. MYERS, (6959302), Master Sergeant, G-3 Section, Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations, from 12 July 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Groves, Texas.

ANDREW J. MOORE, (18009818), First Sergeant, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

LEMUEL D. TURLEY, (18019604), Staff Sergeant (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 June 1944, near Montiera, Italy. Entered military service from Miami, Oklahoma.

LEO J. ZERBEE, (33183187), Staff Sergeant, Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations, from 10-20 October 1944, near Livergnano and Predosa, Italy. Entered military service from Gallitzin, Pennsylvania.

EDWARD O. CATO, (34447540), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 July 1944, near San Martino, Italy. Entered military service from Gainesville, Georgia.

JAMES W. DAVIS, (39402451), Sergeant, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Entered military service from Richmond, California.

JAMES R. KING, (39336890), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company D, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action from 14-15 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Salem, Oregon.

LLOYD A. JOHNSON, (20654826), Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 June 1944, near Montiera, Italy. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

FRANK O'DELL, (R-758050), Technician Fourth Grade (then Private), Headquarters Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations, from 4 August 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the Italian campaign. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas.

CLYDE F. LEE, (34407697), Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 October 1944, near Lolano, Italy. Entered military service from Ocala, Florida.

HAROLD P. RUSSELLE, (39334493), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 July 1944, near Cbianni, Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

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JOHNNIE A. STEWART, (34328688), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action from 5-7 July 1944, near Castellino, Italy. Entered military service from Dickson, Tennessee.

WILLIAM M. VESSEY, Jr., (35321086), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 October 1944, near Futa Pass, Italy. Entered military service from Warren, Ohio.

EUGENE C. FENTON, (12187907), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from New York City, New York.

JAMES H. CASTLE, (20631594), Private First Class, Service Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944, near Sabbioni, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

HENRY C. HARRINGTON, (38179955), Private First Class, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Greenbrier, Arkansas.

BAGULEY D. HOGGAN, (39919398), Private First Class, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 July 1944, near San Pietro, Italy. Entered military service from Murray, Utah.

PAUL E. KEATING, (36705545), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action from 31 October to 1 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

LESTER E. RAGAN, (34486465), Private First Class, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Concord, North Carolina.

JOE CABRAL, (39414641), Private, Regimental Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Empire, California.

ROBERT KELLY, (32483540), Private, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Entered military service from Riverside, New Jersey.

ALFRED F. KISSINGER, (36275493), Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Entered military service from West Bend, Wisconsin.

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JESSE W. KUYKENDALL, (34409438), Private, Company A, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 October 1944, near Loiano, Italy. Entered military service from Winter Haven, Florida.

HAROLD L. SICKLER, (38592726), Private, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Entered military service from Big Cabin, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM O. TALBOT, (35546020), Private, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action from 31 October to 1 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Tiffin, Ohio.

WARREN B. VEATCH, (37678186), Private, Regimental Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Stockport, Iowa.

VI - AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 345, 25 August 1944, the Division Commander has awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque to the following units:

91ST QUARTERMASTER COMPANY, 91ST INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 10 July 1944 to 20 October 1944.

91ST SIGNAL COMPANY, 91ST INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 15 July 1944 to 15 October 1944.

316TH MEDICAL BATTALION, 91ST INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 26 July 1944 to 26 October 1944.

91ST MILITARY POLICE PLATOON, 91ST INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 15 July 1944 to 15 October 1944.

791ST ORDNANCE COMPANY (LM), 91ST INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 10 July 1944 to 20 October 1944.

VII - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

HASKELL H. HUGHES, (O-1540703), Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For

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outstanding performance of duty on 10 June 1944, near Orbetello, Italy. Entered military service from Fort Smith, Arkansas.

PAUL R. KELLEY, Jr., (38403868), Sergeant, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 16 September 1944, near Gagliano, Italy. Entered military service from Columbus, Ohio.

JOHN H. MILLSAP, (33647076), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 347th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 15 October 1944, near Ca Del Fate, Italy. Entered military service from Wandy, Virginia.

STANLEY A. MACALIK, (38283524), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 347th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 19 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Ennis, Texas.

VIII - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 48.

So much of Section I, General Orders No. 48, this Headquarters, 22 November 1944, pertaining to Joe S. Porter, 38592515, Private, Company B, 362d Infantry, is revoked.

So much of Section II, General Orders No. 48, this Headquarters, 22 November 1944, pertaining to George A. Montalvo, 39112349, Private First Class Company K, 361st Infantry, as reads "AWARD OF SILVER STAR", is amended to read: "AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)", and add: "Next of kin: Mrs. Ruth Montalvo, (mother), 145 Bridge Street, Watsonville, California."

So much of Section II, General Orders No. 48, this Headquarters, 22 November 1944, pertaining to Robert R. Houston, 34739639, Private, Medical Detachment, Company K, 361st Infantry, as reads: "AWARD OF SILVER STAR", is amended to read: "AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)", and add: "Next of kin: Mrs. Maggie M. Houston, (mother), Route 4, Loudon, Tennessee."

By command of Major General LIVESAY:

JOSEPH P. DONOVIN,  
Colonel, G.S.C.,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*C. F. PRIMM*  
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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man, who is missing in action.

**JOE S. PORTER**, (38592515), Private, Company B, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Private PORTER, with a comrade, was moving ahead of his platoon during its advance on the enemy held town of Canovetta. There had been no sign of the enemy when the stillness was suddenly shattered by a burst of machine gun bullets that ripped into the platoon, painfully wounding Private PORTER in the legs. His buddy seemed stunned by the burst and froze in his tracks. Mustering all his strength, Private PORTER staggered forward and grabbed the man, pulling him down just as another burst of machine gun fire swept the area. The fire missed the other man, but caught Private PORTER in the chest, wounding him. Private PORTER displayed the greatest courage and gallantry by saving a fellow soldier from certain death. His dauntless spirit reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Milfay, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs. Ida Porter, (mother), General Delivery, Milfay, Oklahoma.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

**CLIFFORD TOMBLIN**, (35447374), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 October 1944, near Livernano, Italy. While attacking strongly defended enemy hill positions, Staff Sergeant TOMBLIN was directed to lead two squads in neutralizing enemy machine gun positions located in caves. Although the first attempt was repelled by intense enemy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire, Staff Sergeant TOMBLIN, realizing the necessity of neutralizing the enemy strong point, attacked again. Despite the heavy volume of fire directed at him, he ordered his men to cover him while he and three other men advanced toward the caves. When he reached the largest cave, Staff Sergeant TOMBLIN jumped from his covered position and boldly assaulted the hostile emplacement alone, firing and throwing grenades into the mouth of the cave.

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His fierce attack so demoralized and disorganized the enemy that the entire force of nineteen surrendered to him. Staff Sergeant TOMBLIN'S gallant act enabled his company to successfully reach its objective. His determination in the face of the enemy, exemplary leadership and outstanding combat skill are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Dingess, West Virginia.

SALVATORE P. GALLOPO, (42002089), Private First Class (then Private), Company D, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. The platoon of which Private First Class GALLOPO was a member had advanced to the top of a ridge, but before the men were able to dig in, the enemy launched a vicious counterattack. Manning a heavy machine gun that was sitting in an exposed position, Private First Class GALLOPO was firing into the enemy forces when a sniper's bullet punctured the water jacket and ricocheted, wounding him in the face. In spite of his injury, he continued to operate the partially disabled weapon, firing it in short bursts. While stopping to allow the barrel to cool, Private First Class GALLOPO used his carbine until the counterattack was broken up with heavy losses to the enemy. Remaining in the open, he stayed on the alert for another counterattack which developed a short time later. Once again his accurate machine gun and carbine fire was responsible for stopping the enemy, enabling his platoon to hold the hill. Under cover of darkness a new gun was brought up and he dug that in position to be ready for another attack. Private First Class GALLOPO'S heroic determination, selfless devotion to duty and combat skill exemplifies the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Lodi, New Jersey.

RICHARD P. MC LEAN, (37573162), Private First Class, Company B, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 30 September 1944, near Monghidoro, Italy. While attacking strongly defended enemy emplacements near Monghidoro, the company of which Private First Class MC LEAN was a member became engaged in an intense fire fight. When the men attempted to drive the enemy from their prepared positions, several hand to hand clashes developed. Twice during the fight Private First Class MC LEAN was wounded by small arms fire, but both times refused to be evacuated. After moving to a new position, he saw a German beating one of his comrades about the head and face with a potato masher grenade. Without hesitating, Private First Class MC LEAN rose to his feet, fully exposed to small arms fire and cross fire from two machine guns, took careful aim and with two shots killed the German, saving his friend's life. Private First Class MC LEAN'S gallant courage, fighting spirit and combat skill exemplifies the highest traditions of the Army of the United States Army. Entered military service from Duluth, Minnesota.

HENRY J. WONDRAK, (36785515), Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 October 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Private First Class WONDRAK was a member of a combat patrol which had as its mission to capture a heavily defended and strategically vital enemy village. Having approached to within a short distance of the hostile positions, the patrol was met by intense fire. Private First Class WONDRAK immediately made his way to an exposed location within 75 yards of the enemy and, by skillfully directing a heavy volume of fire at the Germans and shouting commands in their language, so diverted their

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attention and confused them that six enemy were killed and two captured. Under this excellent covering fire, the rest of the patrol was able to maneuver to better positions. During the ensuing fire fight, Private First Class WONDRAK'S automatic rifle was destroyed by enemy fire and a man near him was seriously injured. Carrying his helpless comrade to a place of safety, Private First Class WONDRAK borrowed his rifle and ammunition and then returned to his former position. Slowing down his rate of fire, but carefully directing each shot, he kept the enemy so engaged that the other members of the patrol were able to evacuate four wounded men and remove the two prisoners to the rear. Private First Class WONDRAK refused to leave his dangerous position until all his comrades had reached safety. His fire was so accurate and well placed that he killed five more Germans. Private First Class WONDRAK'S gallant act enabled his company to capture the town shortly afterwards with only slight opposition. His combat skill, unselfish devotion to duty and outstanding heroism exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Aurora, Illinois.

III - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL.

By direction of the President under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

GEORGE R. ABREU, (O-1305699), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroism on 26 October 1944, near Sasseloone, Italy. The company of which Lieutenant ABREU was a member was bivouaced along a stream when heavy rains caused a flash flood to endanger the vehicles and mess equipment. Organizing crews to rescue the vital equipment, Lieutenant ABREU unhesitatingly waded through icy water up to his neck to hook ropes and cables to the stranded material. Making numerous trips through the raging torrent, he succeeded in moving all of the equipment to high ground. Inspired by his gallant efforts, the men strung cables and aided in winching the vehicles out of danger. The courage and perseverance of Lieutenant ABREU reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Paia Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

WILLIAM A. THORNE, (34456562), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroism on 24 August 1944, near Cusona, Italy. Technician Fifth Grade THORNE and a group of men had been swimming in a deep stream for almost an hour when one of the party, becoming fatigued, sank beneath the surface, unnoticed. When he came up again, Technician Fifth Grade THORNE heard his desperate, water-choked cry for help. Although extremely fatigued himself, he immediately turned and swam toward the drowning man, twenty yards away. Reaching his comrade's side just as he was about to go down again, Technician Fifth Grade THORNE seized him and, despite the great distance and the drowning man's desperate grip, pulled him to shore and safety. He then administered first aid to the helpless man and soon revived him. Technician Fifth Grade THORNE'S unselfish devotion to his fellow soldier and his outstanding courage exemplify the highest traditions of comradeship of the United States Army. Entered military service from Clayton, North Carolina.

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IV - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man: *Enlisted*

PHIL HABERMAN, (42033746), Sergeant, (then Private), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officers:

JAMES A. MCCALLAM, Jr., (O-1296866), Captain, Infantry, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 28 June 1944, near Montingegnilio, Italy. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas. Next of kin: Mrs. Lillian G. McCallam, (mother), 261 Post Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

CLARENCE A. BALANDA, (O-494185), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 July 1944, near Cevoli, Italy. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut. Next of kin: Mrs. Amelia Balanda, (wife), 112 Sunnyside Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut.

VI - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

WILLIAM H. ATKINSON, (O-380582), Captain, Infantry, Headquarters 1st Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 October 1944, near Sasseleone, Italy. Entered military service from Asher, Oklahoma.

CLERON J. WARPENTER, (O-1297678), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 July 1944, near San Pietro, Italy. Entered military service from Crookston, Minnesota.

HARRY W. EDWARDS, Jr., (O-1317505), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company D, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Entered military service from Bradford, Pennsylvania.

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WALTER L. LYNCH, (O-1300667), First Lieutenant, Infantry, 2d Battalion, Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944, near Casola, Italy. Entered military service from Bellows Falls, Vermont.

JOHN A. VOLDBER, (O-1304975), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 August 1944, near Motopoli, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HAL D. SHANNON, (6955780), First Sergeant, Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 September 1944, near Villanova, Italy. Entered military service from San Saba, Texas.

THOMAS E. HOLLY, (38588172), Staff Sergeant, Company K, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944, near Anconella, Italy. Entered military service from Eufaula, Oklahoma.

IRA A. NIESEN, (36535524), Staff Sergeant, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Romulus, Michigan.

WILTON E. STEWARD, (31069258), Staff Sergeant, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17-18 September 1944, near LaPiano, Italy. Entered military service from South Portland, Maine.

JOHN W. SUMPTER, (39688851), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Bakorsfield, California.

CECIL WATTS, (37510907), Staff Sergeant (then Corporal), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Glasgow, Missouri.

HORACE E. BANKS, (34435828), Sergeant, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Brevard, North Carolina.

MARCELO M. GARCIA, Jr., (38250307), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company L, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, near Loiano, Italy. Entered military service from Mercedes, Texas.

CARL H. BONNEY, (37395362), Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Leaterville, Missouri.

JOHN BOBECK, Jr., (36262221), Corporal, Battery B, 347th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near Barbaolo, Italy. Entered military service from Racine, Wisconsin.

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WILLIAM H. HANIS, (3640F411), Corporal, 3d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 July 1944, near Cevoli, Italy. Entered military service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

JOHN JUAREZ, (39266283), Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 347th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near Barbaolo, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

CLIFFORD E. BROWN, (39030491), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guarda, Italy. Entered military service from San Luis Obispo, California.

EDGAR R. LAUBERHEIMER, (12065800), Private First Class, Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944, near Lignano, Italy. Entered military service from Newburgh, New York.

JOSEPH M. LE SUEUR, (39706524), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944, near Mezghidero, Italy. Entered military service from Huntington Park, California.

CHARLES R. NOBLE, (39209504), Private First Class, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Montecelli, Italy. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

WILVIN A. HEECE, (34407830), Private First Class, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 August 1944, near Montopoli, Italy. Entered military service from Black, Alabama.

WILLIAM J. ROCHE, (16036043), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HARRY C. PRETT, (32167620), Private, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Camden, New Jersey.

VITO MARIANO, (32147551), Private, Battery B, 347th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near Barbaolo, Italy. Entered military service from Patterson, New Jersey.

PATRICK F. PEPPER, Jr., (31006987), Private, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 October 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

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EVERETTE N. THORNE, (38517732), Private, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Ca Del Boschi, Italy. Entered military service from Trumann, Arkansas.

LUTHER P. USELTON, (39 598073), Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Barling, Arkansas.

WILLIE B. WILLIAMS, (35774597), Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Charleston, West Virginia.

VII - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

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\* ~~WILLIAM G. STONEY~~, (6-1177728), <sup>Captain</sup> ~~Private~~, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty for the period 12 July 1944 to 22 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

SYDNEY R. MORGAN, (O-1171292), First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty for the period 12 July 1944 to 22 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

ROBERT V. DANIELSON, (36403596), Staff Sergeant, Company K, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 12 September 1944, near Villanova, Italy. Entered military service from Norway, Michigan.

JUNIOR E. JOHNSON, (37313143), Staff Sergeant, Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 13 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Correll, Minnesota.

JOHN D. WORKS, (19181058), Staff Sergeant, Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 13 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

CHARLES W. HAWORTH, (39402620), Sergeant (then Corporal), Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 13 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Lodi, California.

MANNING SEVERANCE, (34407620), Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty for the period 7 July 1944 to 30 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Live Oak, Florida.

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SYLVESTER E. BERGERICH, (36274693), Private First Class, Service Battery, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty for the period 7 July 1944 to 30 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Casonovia, Wisconsin.

HOWARD J. EFF; (36887890), Private First Class, Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 13 October 1944, near Saduranc, Italy. Entered military service from Ottawa Lake, Michigan.

TED H. MURRIS, (34456173), Private First Class, Service Battery, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty for the period 7 July 1944 to 30 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Asheboro, North Carolina.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named personnel:

SEYMOUR DIAMOND, (O-1289877), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944, near Nicchi, Italy. While advancing against heavily defended enemy hill positions, the company of which Lieutenant DIAMOND was a member was subjected to intense sniper fire that threatened to disrupt the entire advance. Quickly organizing a three man patrol, Lieutenant DIAMOND led them forward to destroy the enemy snipers. As they approached the German positions, he deployed his men and boldly advanced alone to attract the enemy fire. Four times snipers shot at him, disclosing their positions, enabling Lieutenant DIAMOND'S men to locate and kill them. Although he was almost hit a number of times, he unhesitatingly continued on the dangerous mission until mortally wounded by sniper fire. Because of his gallant efforts the German riflemen were cleared out of the area and his company continued its attack. Lieutenant DIAMOND'S selfless devotion to duty, courageous action and aggressive leadership was an inspiration to his men and exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from New York, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Dora Diamond, (mother), 504 Grand Street, New York, New York.

WILLIAM A. LENTZ, (36537468), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When his company had occupied part of a town heavily defended by the enemy, after a long fight, Private First Class LENTZ and three other men were placed in a forward position with a machine gun to cover a road which was the main approach to the company's position. At dusk the Germans counterattacked with heavy fire from machine guns, machine pistols and grenades. Although out off from his company by the fierce enemy assault, Private First Class LENTZ coolly maintained a steady stream of fire, wounding a number of the enemy. When he found it necessary to move to another position,

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he took his weapon with him and continued to fire even after his three comrades had been wounded. Exposing himself to the intense enemy fire without thought for personal safety, he remained alone at his gun until he was mortally wounded by a sniper. Private First Class LENTZ'S gallant action in resisting the enemy attack enabled his company to hold positions from which they later launched a successful attack and secured the objective. His indomitable courage, unselfish devotion to duty and heroic self-sacrifice will remain a constant inspiration to his comrades and exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Royal Oak, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Dessa Lentz, (wife), 17411 Russell Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

RALPH R. SPATZ, (33834028), Private, Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 October 1944, near Monghidoro, Italy. When many of his comrades were wounded by an intense mortar barrage, Private SPATZ volunteered to assist an aid man in caring for the wounded. Leaving his place of cover he advanced into the exposed impact area and, fearlessly disregarding the shells falling all about him, moved from man to man, bandaging their wounds and evacuating them to positions of cover. Many times, when the barrage increased in intensity, Private SPATZ protected the man he was treating from flying shell fragments by covering him with his body. While he was giving aid and comfort to one of his helpless comrades, Private SPATZ was struck by a shell fragment and killed instantly. Private SPATZ'S gallant act resulted in the alleviating of much suffering and the saving of many lives. His courage under fire, unselfish humanity and heroic self-sacrifice exemplify the highest traditions of loyalty of the United States Army. Entered military service from Shartlesville, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen Spatz, (wife), Route #1, Shartlesville, Pennsylvania.

HERMAN W. HATFIELD, (34407708), Private, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near Zena, Italy. When fire from an enemy machine gun on a flank had cut off a squad and the company commander from the remainder of the platoon, Private HATFIELD, an automatic rifleman, immediately left his covered position and went forward to assist his imperiled comrades. On his own initiative, he crawled to a small knoll from which he could place effective fire on the enemy machine gun. With intense automatic fire striking all about him, Private HATFIELD fired several bursts into the enemy position, killing three of the enemy and silencing the machine gun. Courageously refusing to leave the exposed and dangerous position, although the enemy was by now concentrating the bulk of their fire on him, Private HATFIELD continued to deliver effective covering fire while his comrades withdrew. As he raised himself to fire on another enemy emplacement, he was mortally wounded by sniper fire. Private HATFIELD'S gallant act resulted in saving a number of his fellow soldiers from a very dangerous position. His courage under fire, combat skill and heroic self-sacrifice will remain as a constant inspiration to his comrades and exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Bonifay, Florida. Next of kin: Mr. Hozzy Hatfield, (father), Black, Alabama.

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II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

CRAFTON A. PALMER, (O-1540630), Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Lieutenant PALMER, then Platoon Sergeant of a Regimental Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon, was asked to take command of a rifle platoon which was to attack strongly defended enemy positions. Carefully directing his men, Lieutenant PALMER maneuvered them into a position on the enemy flank and led the assault. His plan of attack was so skillfully executed that the enemy was routed and the platoon quickly took the first objective. The company commander then moved forward, under cover of heavy fog, to reconnoiter routes of advance for the next objective. Lieutenant PALMER followed behind with the company. Suddenly the fog lifted, exposing the entire group to enemy observation. The Germans immediately subjected them to intense machine gun, mortar and artillery fire. Lieutenant PALMER, realizing the seriousness of the situation, quickly took charge of the company. Coolly and calmly, he led the men to covered positions. He personally saw to the treatment of the wounded and by encouraging and comforting his men, soon had complete control of the situation. Lieutenant PALMER'S gallant act enabled the company to complete its maneuver without further casualties. His courage under fire, unselfish devotion to duty and outstanding leadership were an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

ROBERT E. FRIES, (1205530), Sergeant, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 October 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Sergeant FRIES was a member of a combat patrol whose mission was to overcome enemy resistance in La Guardia, Italy. As they approached the town they were suddenly met by intense enemy machine gun fire from one of the buildings. The patrol was temporarily halted and immediately took cover. Realizing that the patrol could not complete its mission unless the enemy fire were neutralized, Sergeant FRIES left his place of safety and with complete disregard for personal danger, began crawling across the exposed ground towards the hostile position. Almost immediately he was spotted by the enemy and they quickly directed an intense volume of machine gun fire in his direction. Although bullets were hitting the dirt all around him, Sergeant FRIES never hesitated in his vital task. As he approached closer, the Germans began throwing grenades in a last attempt to halt his advance. Coolly disregarding the intense fire, Sergeant FRIES raised himself to a position in full view of the enemy and threw three grenades in quick succession, all of which landed within the building. Sergeant FRIES' gallant act so terrorized and confused the Germans that they were unable to offer resistance. The patrol, taking advantage of this diversion, moved to much better positions from which they effectively engaged the enemy in a fire fight, causing heavy casualties among them. Sergeant FRIES' outstanding combat skill, exemplary devotion to duty and exceptional personal courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Jackson Heights, Long Island, New York.

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WADE F. RUSSELL, (34456131), Sergeant, Company K, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 August 1944, near San Miniato, Italy. Sergeant RUSSELL was a member of a combat patrol which, while making its way through hostile territory at night, was suddenly subjected to intense small arms and machine gun fire from an enemy occupied house. Realizing the necessity of neutralizing the hostile fire, Sergeant RUSSELL skillfully maneuvered into a position from which he could deliver fire on the building. Although completely exposed to enemy observation and fire, he raised himself and fired two rifle grenades into the building. The grenades were so effectively placed that the enemy were thrown into complete confusion and were unable to offer further resistance. The rest of the patrol quickly moved in and took thirteen prisoners. Unnoticed by the patrol, an enemy officer tried to make his escape. Sergeant RUSSELL, with cool deliberation, killed him before he could reach cover. Sergeant RUSSELL'S gallant act resulted in reducing a vital enemy strong point. His coolness under fire, will to destroy the enemy and outstanding combat skill exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Denton, North Carolina.

III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

ROBERT A. CUZICK, (O-1286614), Captain, Infantry, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from New Albany, Indiana.

JAMES W. PERRY, (37388289), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Broseley, Missouri.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer:

BAILEY B. RAGSDALE, (O-1314548), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 June 1944, near Velletri, Italy. Entered military service from Austin, Texas. Next of kin: Mrs. Vivian Ragsdale, (wife), 2102 Schulle Avenue, Austin, Texas

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (MISSING IN ACTION)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men, who are missing in action:

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✓ JOSEPH J. INCARDONA, (31406395), Private First Class, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Trebbo, Italy. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut. Next of kin: Mrs. Pauline Pugliese, (mother), 9 Chase Park Avenue, Waterbury, Connecticut.

LARON N. RABINOWITZ, (32684101), Private, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from New York, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Lillian Rabinowitz, (mother), 1473 - 44th Street, New York, New York.

VI - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

✓ ROBERT B. THOMPSON, (O-1304967), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21-22 September 1944, near Traversa, Italy. Entered military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

JOHN C. BROOKS, (O-1692919), Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Stapleton, Georgia.

HERMAN SEIBEL, (39458716), Technical Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Entered military service from Moxee, Washington.

ALBERT AMALIO, (39031746), Staff Sergeant, Company G, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 August 1944, near San Croce, Italy. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

✓ KENNETH F. COLLINS, (3266 25), Sergeant, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 29 October 1944, near Guardazza, Italy. Entered military service from Schenectady, New York.

ROBERT H. JOHNSON, (C286626), Staff Sergeant, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Casola, Italy. Entered military service from Trumann, Arkansas.

WILLIAM C. MILLER, Jr., (33380654), Staff Sergeant, Company K, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Gruppi, Italy. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

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**ELWOOD G. SIMOLA**, (36403210), Staff Sergeant, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scurperia, Italy. Entered military service from Mohawk, Michigan.

**WALTER J. BROWN, JR.**, (36273686), Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 September 1945, near Cafaggiolo, Italy. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**GLEN H. McALLISTER**, (39322190), Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 July 1944, near Bagni, Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

**VICTOR P. MISURACA**, (39230870), Sergeant, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Entered military service from San Pedro, California.

**ROBERT R. KAMPH**, (39318803), Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Entered military service from Albany, Oregon.

**EDWARD HEG**, (36279011), Corporal, Battery A, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 30 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Kenosha, Wisconsin.

**FRANK C. PALILIA**, (32972864), Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

**BREMUS V. CARVER**, (39608235), Private First Class, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18-19 October 1944, near Di Sopra, Italy. Entered military service from Floyd, Texas.

**KEITH GRAY**, (39851489), Private First Class Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 June 1944, near Orbetello, Italy. Entered military service from Gallup, New Mexico.

**LEO K. LARUE**, (35740336), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near San Piero, Italy. Entered military service from Newburg, West Virginia.

**RICHARD C. LYMAN GROVER**, (35558745), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18-19 October 1944, near Di Sopra, Italy. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

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ROBERT L. MOORE, (36617137), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Lawrenceville, Illinois.

COVERT H. NEELY, (35758856), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Silver Hill, Pennsylvania.

JACK A. VITALE, (39030765), Private First Class, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, near Paulino, Italy. Entered military service from Campbell, California.

MARVIN E. WHITLEY, (38603162), Private First Class, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18-19 October 1944, near Di Sopra, Italy. Entered military service from Traskwood, Arkansas.

WALTER BETHON, (32648435), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. Entered military service from Ridgewood, New York.

THURMAN C. HATCHER, (33092829), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. Entered military service from Roanoke, Virginia.

BERNARD MASIA, (32662009), Private First Class, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from New York, New York.

JEROME M. STEIN, (18073391), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

#### VII - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

JACK W. RUGGERI, (36435685), Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 3 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Norris, Illinois.

ORVILLE BOREM, (36617317), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 3 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Kankakee, Illinois.

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VIII - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1

So much of Section II, General Orders No. 1, this Headquarters, c.s., as pertains to MERVIN KRIEGER, (O-1305795), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army, is amended to read: MERVIN KRIEGER, (O-1305795), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army.

So much of Section V, General Orders No. 1, this Headquarters, c.s., as pertains to WILLIAM L. LEWIS, (O-1695630), Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army, is amended to read: WILMER L. LEWIS, (O-1695630), First Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army.

By command of Major General LIVESAY:

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**I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officers:

Y CHARLES L. MOHLER, (O-1297922), Captain, Infantry, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When a company commander was wounded, Captain MOHLER, a Regimental Staff Officer, volunteered to lead the company in an attack on strongly defended enemy positions. As the men moved forward, they were subjected to intense enemy machine gun cross fire from high ground to the flanks. Captain MOHLER, his platoon leaders and a messenger with an automatic rifle immediately went forward 200 yards into the impact area to make a reconnaissance. Seeing the potential danger to his men in their present positions, Captain MOHLER took the automatic rifle and sent the messenger back with instructions to maneuver to better positions, while he stayed in position to cover the movement. The enemy immediately counterattacked, laying down an intense concentration of automatic fire, which severely wounded Captain MOHLER. Although suffering intense pain and unable to move, he courageously resisted the attack, firing several magazines at the attackers. Captain MOHLER killed three of the enemy with his accurate fire and forced the others to withdraw. While being evacuated, he was mortally wounded by enemy mortar fire. Captain MOHLER'S gallant act enabled his company to maneuver to better positions without suffering casualties. His combat skill, unselfish devotion to duty and heroic self-sacrifice will remain a constant inspiration to his men and reflect the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Arkansas City, Kansas. Next of kin: Mrs. Aita J. Mohler, (mother), 401 South Third Street, Arkansas City, Kansas.

Y WILLIAM I. MEEK, (O-1310617), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company L, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 September 1944, near Nicchi, Italy. When the advance of his company was temporarily

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halted by an enemy minefield protected by severe enemy mortar and machine gun fire, Lieutenant MEEK and a rifleman crawled forward to locate a route through the minefield. The enemy observed their approach and immediately subjected them to intense automatic fire. Without thought for his personal safety, Lieutenant MEEK fearlessly went forward and cut several trip wires attached to stake mines. Continuing forward, he became the target of enemy snipers. Raising himself for better observation, Lieutenant MEEK saw a sniper about to fire on the rifleman who had been following him. As Lieutenant MEEK raised his carbine to shoot the enemy, he was mortally wounded by another sniper. By his aggressive and courageous action, Lieutenant MEEK succeeded in clearing and indicating a route through which his company later attacked and secured the objective. His outstanding leadership and gallant sacrifice will remain as an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Redondo Beach, California. Next of kin: Mrs. M. J. Meek, (mother), 311 South Elona Street, Redondo Beach, California.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (MISSING IN ACTION)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man, who is missing in action:

BENNIE D. BUCHANAN, (34456591), Private First Class, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944 near Livergnano, Italy. While attacking strongly defended enemy positions, Private First Class BUCHANAN, his company commander and several other men were temporarily cut off from the rest of the company by intense enemy machine gun cross fire. The company commander, who was seriously wounded, directed the company to maneuver to better positions. As the men began the movement, the enemy launched a severe counterattack. Refusing to leave his dangerous position, Private First Class BUCHANAN immediately commenced firing on the attackers, killing three of them. While the other men carried the wounded officer to a more covered position, Private First Class BUCHANAN remained in full view of the enemy, skillfully delivering protective fire until the enemy attackers were forced to withdraw. When he rejoined the small group, their position was subjected to an intense enemy mortar barrage. Without thought for his personal safety, Private First Class BUCHANAN threw himself over the wounded officer to protect him. As he did this, an enemy shell burst nearby, wounding him severely. Private First Class BUCHANAN'S gallant act enabled his company to maneuver without suffering casualties. His combat skill, courage under fire and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Pleasant Hill, North Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Allie J. Buchanan, (mother), Pleasant Hill, North Carolina.

III - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

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✓ ROSS A. NOTARO, (O-1320008), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15-17 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Lieutenant NOTARO, with two rifle squads and a light machine gun section, was defending a position on Monticelli ridge when the enemy launched four successive counterattacks. In spite of intense mortar and machine gun fire, Lieutenant NOTARO moved from man to man and so skillfully directed their fire that the enemy was repulsed with heavy losses. During another assault, five Germans rushed his position, but he killed all of them with an accurately thrown grenade. Because his light machine guns were knocked out, Lieutenant NOTARO decided to maneuver his men to a better defensive position. After directing their movement, he returned to a wounded man, lying in the open, picked him up, and carried him 100 yards under constant mortar and machine gun fire to a covered position. Inspired by his coolness and courage the small handful of men held their vital position for two days against countless enemy attacks. Lieutenant NOTARO'S gallant action and combat skill exemplifies the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ STANLEY F. BOTHMAN, (37314062), Technical Sergeant, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When his platoon was temporarily halted by intense enemy artillery, tank and machine gun fire, Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN moved ahead of his company to establish an observation post in a building nearby. As he entered the house, an enemy tank made a direct hit on the position. The exploding shell caused Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN to lose consciousness. Upon regaining his senses, he began to crawl from the building. He had advanced a short distance when the building was again hit by enemy shell fire, seriously wounding three men who had entered the house. Although severely shaken and dazed, Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN made three trips to the house to evacuate his helpless comrades to a place of safety where he gave them medical aid. Noticing a wounded officer lying in an exposed position over 30 yards away, Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN left his covered position to assist him. As he made his way across the fire swept area, he was wounded by an enemy shell fragment. Despite the severity of his wounds, Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN rushed to the side of the wounded officer and helped him to a covered position. After giving the officer first aid, he improvised two litters and, with the help of another soldier, evacuated the wounded. Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN then returned to his position and assisted his platoon leader in setting up a defensive position. Although weak from shock and exhaustion, he remained with his platoon to direct and control their fire and refused to be evacuated until darkness fell. Technical Sergeant BOTHMAN'S loyalty to his comrades, combat skill and extraordinary devotion to duty were an inspiration to his men and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Hazel, Minnesota.

✓ PHILIP J. KEARNEY, (37435859), Technical Sergeant, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 October 1944, near Disotta, Italy. During an attack, Technical Sergeant KEARNEY led his platoon against an enemy held building. Boldly advancing ahead of his men Technical

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Sergeant KEARNEY observed four enemy placing a machine gun in position. He shot and killed one and captured the other three. Another enemy ran around the corner of the house and was also killed by Technical Sergeant KEARNEY'S accurate fire. Running quickly to the other side of the house, Technical Sergeant KEARNEY surprised and captured another enemy machine gun crew of four men before they could offer resistance. He then skillfully directed his platoon and secured the objective. Technical Sergeant KEARNEY'S aggressive and gallant action resulted in two enemy killed, and seven enemy and two machine guns captured. His outstanding leadership, indomitable courage, and unwavering devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Piateville, Wisconsin.

✓ GEORGE R. BAHR, (37420492), Sergeant, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When Sergeant BAHR'S platoon captured a building which was a key point dominating the approaches to an objective, the enemy immediately counterattacked, subjecting the position to intense machine gun and mortar fire. Exposing himself to the intense fire at an open window, Sergeant BAHR maintained a steady stream of rifle fire on the attackers and skillfully coordinated the actions of his men. After the enemy had placed an intense mortar barrage on the building and failed to dislodge the occupants, they subjected the position to direct tank fire. Fully realizing the great danger, Sergeant BAHR refused to leave his position and continued to encourage his men and to direct their fire. When a direct hit crumbled part of the wall, Sergeant BAHR was struck by the falling debris and knocked unconscious. Although severely shaken and suffering from numerous minor injuries, he recovered his senses in time to observe five Germans creeping toward the building. Quickly returning to his position, he threw a grenade into the enemy group, killing three and wounding two. Although suffering intense pain from his wounds, Sergeant BAHR remained in his exposed position throughout the entire day, firing continuously and directing his squad in driving off five more severe counterattacks. Sergeant BAHR'S outstanding leadership, unselfish devotion to duty and exceptional gallantry in the face of great personal danger are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Estherville, Iowa.

✓ WALTER W. MIZERSKI, (33706671), Private First Class, (then Private), Medical Detachment, 365d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 October 1944, near C. Fiume, Italy. When one of his comrades was severely injured by enemy machine gun fire and lay in an exposed position unable to move, Private First Class MIZERSKI left his place of cover to aid him. Making his way across 400 yards of fire swept terrain he reached the wounded man and expertly administered first aid. Upon hearing a call for help from another man, Private First Class MIZERSKI first dug a slit trench for the man he was treating and then, despite his extreme fatigue, immediately set out to help the soldier who had called him. After having treated seven more men as he crawled along the fire covered road, he saw a wounded man on an exposed piece of ground about 20 yards away. Despite intense enemy fire covering the entire area, Private First Class MIZERSKI boldly made his way to the helpless man and, in full view of the enemy, gave him aid.

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He then half carried and half led the injured soldier over a road under intense enemy fire to a building more than 150 yards away. Private First Class **MIZERSKI'S** outstanding devotion to duty, medical skill and indomitable courage exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

✓ **REE D. MILLER**, (36871081), Private, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15-16 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. When two squads and a light machine gun section were assigned the mission of protecting an exposed flank of their battalion, Private MILLER performed his duties as automatic rifleman in an outstandingly heroic and skillful manner. Although the group was subjected to five severe enemy counterattacks, each of which was more fierce than the former, all were successfully repelled, largely through Private MILLER'S refusal to leave his position and his accurate and relentless fire. When the defenders had suffered heavy casualties and one machine gun was put out of action, Private MILLER skillfully shifted his fire to compensate for the loss. During the fifth and last attack, Private MILLER stood up in his fox hole and, with complete disregard for the intense enemy fire, boldly fired his automatic weapon from the hip and threw grenades at the advancing Germans, successfully driving them back. Private MILLER'S gallant act prevented a serious enemy penetration. His outstanding heroism, determination in the face of the enemy and combat skill exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Lansing, Michigan.

IV - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

✓ **RAYMOND E. HANSON**, (36274472). Staff Sergeant, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, near Gnarduzza, Italy. Entered military service from Blair, Wisconsin.

✓ **ROY LAMBERT**, (39687926). Staff Sergeant, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, near Gnarduzza, Italy. Entered military service from Soper, Oklahoma.

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named personnel:

✓ **ABRAHAM S. VERNER**, (0-1323503), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Sassi, Italy. Entered military service from Peabody, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs Laura Ossoff, (sister), 18 Martinack, Peabody, Massachusetts.

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✓ JOHN C. MYRE, (O-1311536), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 June 1944, near Terniella, Italy. Entered military service from Forrest City, Iowa. Next of kin: Mr. John C. Myre, (father), Forrest City, Iowa.

✓ ARTHUR N. ZACHRISSON, (39322118), Staff Sergeant, Company L, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944, near Casoni, Italy. Entered military service from Camas, Washington. Next of kin: Mrs. Martha Zachrisson, (wife), 425 N. E. Second Street, Camas, Washington.

✓ ERNEST K. NICKEL, (35029406), Corporal (then Private First Class), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 June 1944, near Orbetello, Italy. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy Nickel, (wife), 10617 Hathaway Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

VI - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

✓ PAUL J. MALONEY, (O-166944), Captain, Medical Corps, 2d Battalion Medical Detachment, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 July 1944, near Castellina, Italy. Entered military service from Batavia, New York.

✓ WILLIAM D. WAYLAND, (O-1999109), Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, near Gnardussa, Italy. Entered military service from Bray, California.

✓ OSBORNE E. AMBURG, (38200666), Staff Sergeant, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

✓ WALLACE J. CASTLE, (34456071), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, near Ca di Ricci, Italy. Entered military service from Durham, North Carolina.

✓ CHARLES F. EIKER, (39265589), Staff Sergeant, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near S. Pietro, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

✓ JOHN J. MERCER, (39265329), Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 December 1944, near Sabbioni, Italy. Entered military service from Redlands, California.

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✓ JOSEPH MARINO, (39688056), Technician Fifth Grade, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 December 1944, near Predosa, Italy. Entered military service from San Fernando, California.

KENNETH F. BAIRD, (16099219), Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Mendotta, Illinois.

✓ LUIS G. CAMPOS, (39113200), Private First Class, Company F, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Carpinteria, California.

✓ DAVID M. CULWELL, (39403149), Private First Class, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Alturas, California.

✓ BARNEY E. ESTES, (35896808), Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from New Castle, Indiana.

✓ LEWIS E. FREY, (33833537), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near L'Uomo Morto, Italy. Entered military service from Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

✓ MIKE HEDIO, Jr., (35761751), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near L'Uomo Morto, Italy. Entered military service from Farmington, West Virginia.

✓ JOHN H. HINSON, (34845065), Private First Class, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Kershaw, South Carolina.

✓ MAXIM V. HISNANICK, (13089751), Private First Class, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Grindstone, Pennsylvania.

✓ ROBERT C. HIVELY, (35883393), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944, near Roncastaldo, Italy. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

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✓ KENNETH F. MEEHAN, (31421108), Private First Class, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, near Ca di Ricci, Italy. Entered military service from South Braintree, Massachusetts.

✓ MELVIN L. PITTMAN, (38426665), Private First Class, Company N, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Mt. Guerrino, Italy. Entered military service from Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

✓ VINCENT E. ROGERS, (32942542), Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Mt. Guerrino, Italy. Entered military service from Morristown, New York.

✓ GERALD STALLCUP, (36660460), Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ HERBERT O. TURNER, (20232446), Private First Class, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from North Tonawanda, New York.

✓ WARREN C. HART, (36274935), Private First Class (then Private), Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin.

✓ CHARLES R. PORTER, (33678919), Private, Regimental Headquarters Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Freddi, Italy. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

VII - AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, the Division Commander has awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque to the following units:

SERVICE BATTERY 340th FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, 91st INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 1 September 1944 to 31 October 1944.

VIII - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following individuals are commended and hereby awarded ~~Division~~ Citations:

✓ WOODROW A. CORSI, Sr., (36403504), Staff Sergeant, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 12 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Iron Mountain, Michigan.

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✓ ROBERT THANDER, (32107099), Staff Sergeant, Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 13 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Glendale, New York.

✓ CHARLES H. MATTHEWS, (34456372), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 21 October 1944, near Calvano, Italy. Entered military service from Fayetteville, North Carolina.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LIVESLY:

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C. F. PRIMM,  
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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

RUSSELL E. SCOTT, (C-1540766), Second Lieutenant (then Private), Infantry, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 July 1944, near Monsano, Italy. Acting as lead scout for his platoon, Lieutenant SCOTT surprised a large enemy force in bivouac. He killed a sentry with a single shot, and called to his platoon to rush the enemy. Following his lead, they quickly routed the disorganized Germans, killing three more. As a defense was being organized, the enemy counterattacked and, fearing an attempt to encircle his platoon, Lieutenant SCOTT, on his own initiative, crawled alone to cover the flank. Twelve enemy, armed with a machine gun, machine pistols and rifles attacked his position, but, courageously refusing to give ground, he coolly maintained a steady stream of accurate fire on them, killing one and wounding three. As they advanced to within 25 yards, undaunted by the severe fire he rose to his feet and threw two grenades into their midst, which wounded several more and caused the few remaining to withdraw. Lieutenant SCOTT'S courageous display of gallantry in the face of great personal hazard removed a serious threat to his company's position. His initiative, aggressiveness, and unwavering devotion to duty reflects the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Vanceburg, Kentucky.

LOUIS C. FINNELL, (39543000), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Technical Sergeant FINNELL'S platoon had been temporarily halted by an intense enemy artillery barrage and the fire of a by-passed machine gun, when a forward observer notified them of an approaching enemy column of two tanks and four troop carriers. The German vehicles were forming for a counterattack and had moved to a position where artillery fire could not be placed. Voluntarily leaving his place of cover, Technical Sergeant FINNELL ran through intense enemy artillery and machine gun fire to his mortar. Disregarding the extreme danger to which he was subjecting him-



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self, he quickly registered on the enemy column and then fired for effect. Technical Sergeant FINNELL remained at his weapon until the fire mission was completed, forcing the two enemy tanks to withdraw and destroying the four-troop carriers. Technical Sergeant FINNELL'S gallant act removed a serious threat to his company. His courage under fire; outstanding leadership and exceptional combat skill were an inspiration to his comrades and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Corona, California.

TOM E. WILLIAMS, (20741182), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Technical Sergeant WILLIAMS with eleven men was holding a house behind the enemy lines to cover a road block they had established when a German column approached. Believing the building unoccupied, six of the enemy moved towards it. Technical Sergeant WILLIAMS calmly waited until they were almost at the door, then boldly leaped into view and covered them with his rifle, quickly disarming and capturing five. The sixth German, following a little distance behind, attempted to put a machine gun he was carrying into action, but with utter disregard for his own safety, Technical Sergeant WILLIAMS rushed him and knocked him down. Overcome by this aggressive attack, the German quickly surrendered. In a later counterattack, Technical Sergeant WILLIAMS, by exposing himself continually to intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire, skillfully led his men in repelling the attack and personally killed two Germans with accurate rifle fire. His gallant and determined action enabled his company to maintain a strategically important position which completely disrupted the enemy's defensive plans, and forced them to withdraw with heavy losses. Technical Sergeant WILLIAMS' initiative, combat skill, and heroic devotion to duty exemplifies the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Clarksville, Arkansas.

DAVID BAPTISTA, (39401786), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 June 1944, near Torriella, Italy. After a successful attack on strongly defended enemy hill positions, Staff Sergeant BAPTISTA'S company was subjected to a severe enemy counterattack before defensive positions could be organized. As the counterattack increased in strength, the company moved to places of better cover. Refusing to leave the position, Staff Sergeant BAPTISTA, an automatic rifleman, with his assistant, crawled forward twenty yards under severe enemy automatic fire to a position from which he could place effective fire on the attackers. Courageously exposing himself to the intense fire from enemy machine guns and machine pistols, he maintained a steady stream of fire on the advancing enemy. For a long time he held the position by himself, firing magazines as fast as his assistant could load and pass them to him. Staff Sergeant BAPTISTA killed seven enemy and wounded several others with his accurate fire. His gallant act enabled his company to reoccupy the position. Staff Sergeant BAPTISTA'S courage under fire, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Hughson, California.

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ALEX S. GRECZEK, (36309012), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 October 1944, near Monghidoro, Italy. When his company's advance was temporarily halted during a fierce fire fight by direct fire from an enemy tank, Staff Sergeant GRECZEK acted in an outstandingly courageous manner to overcome the enemy resistance. Armed with a grenade launcher, he left his place of cover and made his way through intense enemy automatic and mortar fire to a position from which he could fire on the approaching tank. Although he made a direct hit on the enemy vehicle, it continued to advance. Staff Sergeant GRECZEK then ran back and procured a rocket launcher. Despite the enemy fire, which had at no time lessened, he immediately went back to his former position. Waiting until the enemy tank came within fifty yards of him, Staff Sergeant GRECZEK took careful aim and, with a direct hit completely immobilized the vehicle. Staff Sergeant GRECZEK'S gallant act enabled his company to continue the advance and secure its objective. His combat skill, courage under fire and outstanding devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

EARL B. PRIOR, (36762876), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 June 1944, near Torniella, Italy. After a successful attack on strongly defended enemy hill positions, Staff Sergeant PRIOR'S company was subjected to a severe enemy counterattack before defensive positions could be prepared. When the other members of the company made a temporary change of position because of the fierce enemy fire, Staff Sergeant PRIOR, an assistant automatic rifleman, refused to leave. Crawling forward twenty yards with the gunner to an abandoned enemy position from which effective fire could be placed on the attackers, he loaded magazines and passed them to his partner, who was firing on the Germans. Twice, when ammunition became depleted, Staff Sergeant PRIOR ran through 200 yards of intense enemy automatic fire to replenish the supply. Through Staff Sergeant PRIOR'S gallant action, he and his partner were able to maintain continuous fire on the enemy, routing the attack and enabling the company to reoccupy and secure the position. His courage under fire, unselfish devotion to duty and determination in the face of the enemy are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Mechanicsburg, Illinois.

ARCHIE M. THOMPSON, (3932110), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near Lama, Italy. When his company was temporarily halted by the fire of two enemy machine guns, Staff Sergeant THOMPSON, without thought for his personal safety, crawled forward alone to a point from which he could place effective fire on one of the enemy guns. With accurate rifle fire, he killed the enemy gunner and silenced the machine gun. Staff Sergeant THOMPSON then crawled to a different position, completely exposed to enemy fire, and commenced firing on the second machine gun, neutralizing its fire and allowing his company to make a change of position. Remaining in the exposed area, Staff Sergeant THOMPSON waited until the enemy attempted to fire again and then killed the hostile gunner. When the Germans counter-attacked shortly after, Staff Sergeant THOMPSON, exposing himself continually to severe enemy mortar and machine gun fire, skillfully directed

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his squad and maintained a steady stream of fire on the attackers, personally killing five and wounding three. The counterattack was repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. Through Staff Sergeant THOMPSON'S gallant action, two enemy machine guns were silenced and a serious threat to his company's position was overcome. His exceptional courage, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

RAY H. MANN, Jr., (34893786), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 September 1944, near Poggio, Italy. While attacking strongly defended enemy positions near Poggio, the platoon of which Sergeant MANN was a member was momentarily held up by intense machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Sergeant MANN, on his own initiative, sprang to his feet and, firing his Browning Automatic Rifle, boldly rushed the German emplacement. His deadly accurate fire forced the enemy away from their guns, but they began throwing grenades at him. Undaunted by their fiered resistance, Sergeant MANN continued forward and jumped into the position. Inspired by his determined courage, his platoon attacked the pillbox and aided him in capturing nine Germans. Sergeant MANN'S fearless and determined action removed an important enemy strong point, enabling his platoon to advance and take its objective. His gallantry and heroic devotion to duty exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Canton, North Carolina.

ROBERT D. CARR, (34329638), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. While attacking a heavily defended enemy town, Private CARR, a medical aid man, and several other soldiers took cover in a building from intense machine gun, mortar and tank fire. The enemy counterattacked, bringing up a tank and placing direct fire on the house, which killed five and wounded four of the men. Although he could have withdrawn to a place of safety, Private CARR courageously remained with the four injured men, carrying them to the cellar of an adjoining building, where he skillfully dressed their wounds. Meanwhile the enemy had surrounded and temporarily cut off the company. For one day and two nights he cared for the wounded men, redressing their wounds and making them as comfortable as possible. With enemy all around, he crept out after dark to obtain what water and rations he could find. On the second night, when supporting units drove the Germans from the town, the injured men were safely evacuated. Private CARR'S gallant action in the face of great personal danger enabled his wounded comrades to receive medical attention and be safely evacuated. His indomitable courage, medical skill and unselfish devotion to duty exemplifies the finest traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Gallatin, Tennessee.

II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

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ROY H. ROSE, (33736048), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company E, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 September 1944, near Montegoro, Italy. Entered military service from Portsmouth, Ohio.

JOHN HOMA, (36871354), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Cannon Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

LEO QUIRICONI, (39112111), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

EDDIE F. COUCHMAN, (39458694), Technician Fourth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 30 June 1944, near Radicondoli, Italy. Entered military service from Cowiche, Washington.

FERNANDO LOPEZ, (38168609), Corporal (then Private First Class), 3d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from La Fuente, New Mexico.

DONALD F. MILLER, (37441137), Corporal (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Gilbert, Iowa.

WILLIAM R. JOBE, Jr., (36871364), Corporal (then Private First Class), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 June 1944, near Orbetello, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

LUDWIG C. OSTERZAG, (32987038), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 September 1944, near San Agata, Italy. Entered military service from Jamaica, New York.

RUSSELL L. AMBURGY, (35878610), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 August 1944, near San Miniato, Italy. Entered military service from Fosters, Ohio.

WILLIAM J. BRUNNING, (39340220), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 September 1944, near Livorno Morto, Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

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TONY DE MASCIO, (O-1999110), Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. (For heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy.) Entered military service from Monterey Park, California.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following enlisted man:

HAYDEN E. COBERLY, (38688235), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Pittsburg, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs. Pearl Coberly, (mother), General Delivery, Pittsburg, Oklahoma.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

WILLIAM E. BOEKER, (O-1322878), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Oakford, Illinois.

LLOYD P. STEWART, (37394029), Technical Sergeant, Company E, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Almartha, Missouri.

CLINTON B. WILLIAMS, (39458959), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Coeur d-Alene, Idaho.

CECIL PHELPS, (35706818), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near San Lucia, Italy. Entered military service from Stab, Kentucky.

WARREN O. SMITH, (37320949), Staff Sergeant, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

WALTER C. McDONALD, (14181715), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 October 1944, near Montepiano, Italy. Entered military service from Hartford, Alabama.

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**DUARD B. CONNOR**, (33655372), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, near Ferme, Italy. Entered military service from Coulwood, Virginia.

**JEROME J. CONROY**, (36683481), Private First Class, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, near Paulino, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**MARCUS G. ECKENROBE**, (39705064), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Venice, California.

**WILLIAM H. HOLLAND**, (39108304), Private First Class, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 4 July 1944, near Cocina, Italy. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

**JOHN R. LEPORE**, (31410041), Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

**JOHN M. MARKUS**, (42047261), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 August 1944, near San Miniato, Italy. Entered military service from Yonkers, New York.

**CHARLES F. PAUL**, (35627202), Private First Class, Company L, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, near Lagla, Italy. Entered military service from Washington Court House, Ohio.

**ROBERT BONE**, (39267150), Private, 2d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

**JOHN A. MUNKITTRICK**, (33700146), Private, 3d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

**WILLIAM R. STEINER**, (33429102), Private, 3d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Everson, Pennsylvania.

**LEROY E. VICK**, (37277108), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from Columbus, North Dakota.

**MORELL B. MURRAY**, (33833682), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 August 1944, near San Miniato, Italy. Entered military service from Kaska, Pennsylvania.

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JOHN L. WILSON, (1093638), Private, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 December 1944, near Grappa, Italy. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.

V - COMMENDATIONS:

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

HARRY H. MESSY, (37619603), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 16 October 1944, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from Bourbon, Missouri.

JOHNIE W. PORTER, (39543006), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 12 July 1944 to 31 December 1944; in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Corona, California.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

✓ JOHN E. CALLAGHAN, (O-1325475), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 365d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near Ca di Bortignano, Italy. While leading the attack on an enemy held hill, Lieutenant CALLAGHAN'S platoon was subjected to a terrific artillery barrage that wounded all but 11 men. Quickly regrouping them, Lieutenant CALLAGHAN led them forward and under his inspiring leadership the small handful of men were able to drive the enemy back and take their objective. The Germans immediately placed heavy machine gun and rifle fire on the hill, but Lieutenant CALLAGHAN, without thought for his personal safety, moved from man to man organizing a defensive position and so skillfully directed their fire that the enemy forces were pinned down, allowing the remainder of the company to advance. Then, forming a patrol, Lieutenant CALLAGHAN led them to an adjacent hill and by cleverly out-manoeuvring the Germans, forced them to withdraw. The heroic courage and indomitable leadership of Lieutenant CALLAGHAN enabled his men to advance against overwhelming odds and take their objective. His gallantry and determination exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Cohoes, New York.

✓ CECIL E. SYMPSON, (39113584), Technical Sergeant, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 January 1945, near C. Torriani, Italy. When his company was attacked by a strong enemy raider patrol, Technical Sergeant SYMPSON unhesitatingly exposed himself to heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire and skillfully directed his platoon in repelling two of the attacks. During the third attack a German machine gun crew succeeded in advancing to a small ridge from which they concentrated deadly fire on Technical Sergeant SYMPSON'S platoon position. Realizing the necessity of silencing the gun, Technical Sergeant SYMPSON left his covered position and crawled forward in the face of intense automatic fire. With enemy bullets striking all around him, he boldly rose to his feet and threw three grenades into the machine gun nest, forcing the Germans to withdraw.

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Then, occupying the position himself, he laid down such accurate rifle fire that the remainder of the enemy force turned and fled. Technical Sergeant SYMPSON'S exceptional courage and outstanding leadership was responsible for repelling strong enemy attacks. His gallant action and unwavering devotion to duty exemplifies the finest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Woodland, California.

✓ SAMUEL A. ADAMS, (18019700), Private First Class, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 1 January 1945, near La Fabbrica, Italy. A soldier was wounded during an attack by an enemy raiding party on defensive positions occupied by Private First Class ADAMS' company. Without thought for his personal safety, Private First Class ADAMS ran forward through intense enemy automatic fire to the wounded soldier and carried him to his fox hole. The leader of the enemy rushed Private First Class ADAMS' position, firing a machine pistol. Private First Class ADAMS shot and killed him with a pistol. Another enemy made the same attempt, but was wounded and forced to withdraw by Private First Class ADAMS' accurate fire. When a third enemy rushed at him, Private First Class ADAMS' pistol jammed. Leaping from his fox hole, Private First Class ADAMS knocked a machine pistol from the enemy's hands and engaged him in hand to hand combat. Surprised by this bold attack, the enemy turned and fled. Private First Class ADAMS then carried the wounded soldier through undiminished enemy fire to the platoon command post, where he could receive medical attention. Private First Class ADAMS' gallant and determined action in the face of great personal danger contributed materially to repelling the enemy attack, and enabled his wounded comrade to receive prompt medical attention. His exceptional courage, combat skill and will to destroy the enemy reflects great credit on himself and on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Eugene, Oregon.

✓ AMOS O. CUTHRELL, (34456252), Private First Class, Company K, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 August 1944, near San Miniato, Italy. Private First Class CUTHRELL was a member of a patrol that had moved deep into enemy held territory on a reconnaissance mission when they heard the approach of a German vehicle. Having no idea as to the size of the enemy force, Private First Class CUTHRELL volunteered to go ahead and reconnoiter the situation. Taking a bazooka, he crawled across 175 yards of open, mine infested terrain until he saw a German scout car. As he moved to an exposed position, the enemy observed him and immediately opened fire. Although their machine gun fire was striking all around him, Private First Class CUTHRELL held his ground and fired two rounds that scored direct hits on the vehicle, completely wrecking it and killing three Germans. Because of his courageous action, his patrol was able to complete its mission. Private First Class CUTHRELL'S aggressiveness, gallant efforts and selfless devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Bern, North Carolina.

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NICK STEIN, (37394056), Private First Class, Company E, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near Fenne, Italy. Private First Class STEIN'S company was advancing against enemy positions near Fenne, when it became engaged in a fierce fire fight with Germans defending a strongly fortified house. As the fire fight increased in intensity, making it impossible for his company to advance across the open and exposed terrain, Private First Class STEIN, on his own initiative, moved back a short distance and procured a bazooka. He then crawled ahead of his own troops to a knoll that offered good observation on the enemy and fired a round into the house. His movement immediately attracted enemy attention and they concentrated all of their fire on his position. Ignoring the great personal danger, Private First Class STEIN moved back, obtained another bazooka round, and again crawled to his forward position. Courageously exposing himself to the terrific machine gun and rifle fire, he fired the second round into the building. This so disorganized the enemy that his company was able to reduce the strong point without further opposition. While trying to recover his rifle and join his company, he was seriously wounded. Private First Class STEIN'S heroic devotion to duty, indomitable fighting spirit and gallant action exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Laramie, Wyoming.

II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

JAMES W. PERRY, (37388289), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Brosley, Missouri.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

JACK MITCHELL, (O-1322937), First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company C, 365d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 July 1944, near Leghorn, Italy. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

LYLE W. BULL, (37514259), Technical Sergeant, Cannon Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guarda, Italy. Entered military service from Clark, South Dakota.

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✓ CHARLES A. ROBERTS, (39402105), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action 15 October 1944, near Casalino, Italy. Entered military service from Sacramento, California.

✓ JAMES P. BUNCE, (17180480), Staff Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 28 October 1944, near Livernano, Italy. Entered military service from Springfield, Missouri.

✓ ORVIL M. BURNS, (39321558), Staff Sergeant (then Technician Third Grade), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 June 1944, near Roccastrada, Italy. Entered military service from Salem, Oregon.

✓ SMYLIE MERRIY, (37313514), Staff Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade), Service Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944, near Sabbioni, Italy. Entered military service from Davenport, North Dakota.

✓ WILLIAM CLASPER, (32134651), Private First Class, Company K, 365d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livernano, Italy. Entered military service from Niagara Falls, New York.

✓ RUDOLPH L. COSTELLO, (39686935), Private First Class (then Private), 2d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 27 July 1944, near Pontedera, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

✓ GEORGE B. CURTIN, (39322062), Private First Class (then Private), Company D, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 June 1944, near Montiano, Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

✓ HOYT W. HARPER, (34447447), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), 2d Battalion Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 27 July 1944, near Pontedera, Italy. Entered military service from Gainesville, Georgia.

✓ FRANK W. UPHOFF, Jr., (37514607), Private First Class, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 December 1944, near San Ansano, Italy. Entered military service from Florence, Kansas.

✓ LAWRENCE N. ANDERSON, (38568209), Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 27 November 1944, near Livernano, Italy. Entered military service from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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✓ THOMAS R. HELMS, (34833892), Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 October 1944, near Bigalla, Italy. Entered military service from Abbeville, Georgia.

✓ JAMES E. ROBERTS, (35730189), Private First Class (then Private), Company F, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 October 1944, near Bigalla, Italy. Entered military service from Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

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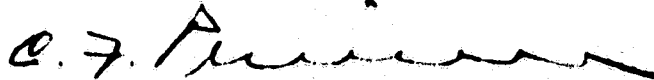
Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following individual is commended and hereby awarded the Division Citation:

✓ ARTHUR D. GLOWNEY, (36536090), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 16 September 1944, near Montecarelli, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

MORRIS GREENBERG, (31424086), Private, Company E, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944, near Scarpria, Italy. Private GREENBERG'S company was attacking strongly defended enemy hill positions. As they approached the German emplacements, they were suddenly subjected to intense mortar, machine gun and artillery fire which caused numerous casualties, including several key personnel and two company aid men. Private GREENBERG immediately left his covered position to give assistance to his helpless comrades. Despite excellent enemy observation and raking machine gun fire he fearlessly moved from man to man giving medical attention to at least six of the more seriously wounded. Private GREENBERG then improvised litters from rifles and clothing and, by his inspiring leadership, encouraged other men to leave their cover to assist him in evacuating the wounded. After supervising the removal of the injured men to a place of safety, he returned to his company area and immediately began to assist in organizing the company to repel any possible counterattack. Moving about boldly under the enemy fire, which had at no time lessened, Private GREENBERG led the men to better alternate positions. When the enemy counterattacked, he took command of a platoon and, by his inspiring leadership, directed his men in successfully repelling the German forces. Private GREENBERG'S gallant act was responsible for the saving of many lives and for holding vital ground. His outstanding courage, skillful leadership and exceptional combat skill are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Chelsea, Massachusetts.

II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

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CHARLES A. ROBERTS, (39402103), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, near Casone, Italy. Entered military service from North Sacramento, California.

III- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

MILTON BELLOW, (O-1175942), First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Battery B, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Provo, Utah.

ELLIOTT H. JURGENSEN, (O-1323327), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

HERMAN A. MILLER, (O-1286530), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company E, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Cohoes, New York.

WARREN M. HERBERT, (34394988), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Monghidoro, Italy. Entered military service from Central, Alabama.

RALPH CASSADA, (34434281), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 October 1944, near Campussano, Italy. Entered military service from Franklin, North Carolina.

WILLIAM E. HARDIN, (34436329), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 June 1944, near Orbetello, Italy. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

RANSY J. JORDON, (34436104), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Jefferson, North Carolina.

HERSHEL W. GRAY, (39194326), Sergeant, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 14-18 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

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GLENN E. SPENCER, (15104158), Technician Fourth Grade (then Corporal), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 July 1944, near Massolla, Italy. Entered military service from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

WILLIAM E. POLLARD, (34394902), Corporal, Anti-Tank Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Gagliano, Italy. Entered military service from Geneva, Alabama.

WAYNE E. KIMBLE, (39317718), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Anti-Tank Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 July 1944, near Chianni, Italy. Entered military service from Pasadena, California.

BARNETT R. SHARP, (33653230), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 July 1944, near Massolla, Italy. Entered military service from Covington, Virginia.

BRADY BROWN, (35760149), Technician Fifth Grade (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 July 1944, near Massolla, Italy. Entered military service from Poe, West Virginia.

MERLE B. BERLIN, (37415873), Private First Class, Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1 October 1944, near Casa del Rio, Italy. Entered military service from Marshall, Missouri.

CAMILO V. CAMARIO, (36420228), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 September 1944, near Poggio, Italy. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

X JOSEPH S. GALATI, (32976053), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 July 1944, near Massolla, Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

BENJAMIN C. KELLEY, (39468304), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 August 1944, near San Maniato, Italy. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

BEN R. RITCHEY, (6395040), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from Loudon, Tennessee.

PEDRO M. RAMIREZ, (39687254), Private, Company D, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 July 1944, near Palaja, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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IV - COMMENDATION (POSTHUMOUS)

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individual is commended and hereby posthumously awarded the Division Citation:

*George A. Anderson*  
GEORGE A. ANDERSON, (36398535), Private, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 11 November 1944, near La Valle, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Dorothy Anderson, (wife), 6032 McCellan, Detroit, Michigan.

V - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

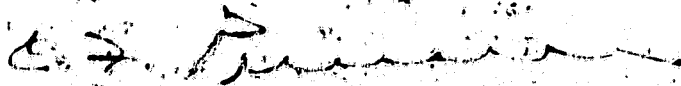
ALBERT J. BROWN, (36405537), Private First Class, Headquarters Company 1st Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 18 November 1944, near La Valle, Italy. Entered military service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

HAROLD E. JONES, (36297106), Private, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 18 November 1944, near La Valle, Italy. Entered military service from Ft. Recovery, Ohio.

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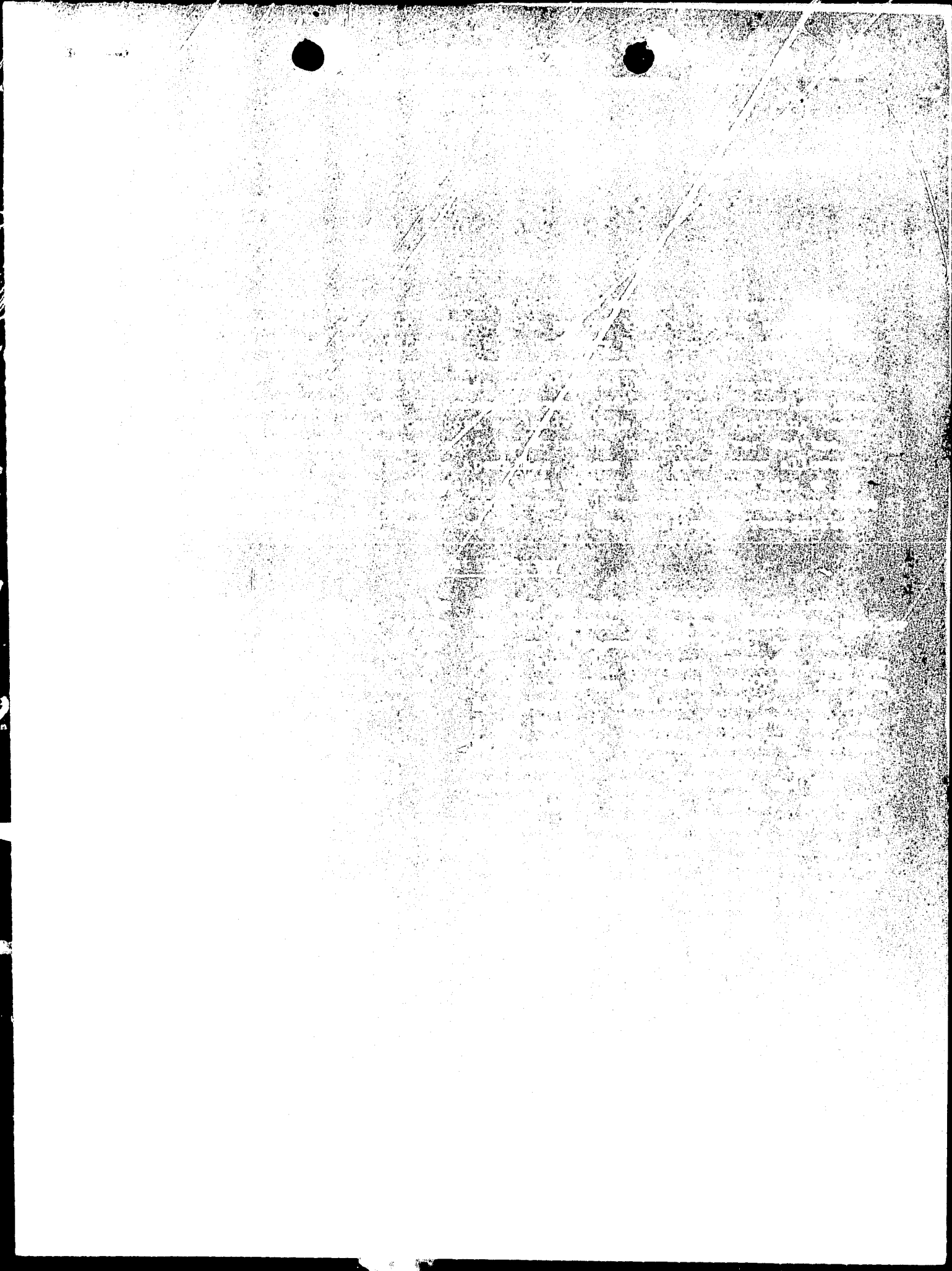
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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 100-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

FREDERICK W. BOOTH, (O-1301419), Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 September 1944, near Le Croce, Italy. When his company commander became a casualty during an attack on enemy hill positions, Captain BOOTH quickly took command of the company. Moving forward through an enemy minefield, covered by enemy machine gun, mortar and sniper fire, he made his way to each platoon. Ordering his men to take cover, Captain BOOTH made a personal reconnaissance of the minefield for a route of advance. He then returned to his company and led them forward to new positions. The enemy immediately subjected the newly-won positions to an intense mortar barrage. Captain BOOTH immediately left his place of cover and, moving forward with a radio to an exposed position, established an observation post. Although he immediately drew machine gun and sniper fire, he remained in his dangerous position to direct artillery fire on the German emplacements. As soon as the enemy were driven from their positions, Captain BOOTH led his company on to take their objective. Captain BOOTH'S gallant act was responsible for capturing a vital objective with a minimum of casualties. His outstanding leadership, exceptional courage and combat skill exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Clear Lake, Wisconsin.

RICHARD A. CIOCI, (35236021), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Staff Sergeant CIOCI, armed only with a sub-machine gun, protected the left flank of his Battalion during three severe attacks launched by the enemy in an attempt to retake vital positions in the Gothic Line. His accurate and relentless fire was instrumental in driving back the Germans with heavy losses. Although a light machine gun near him had been put out of action, Staff Sergeant CIOCI refused to leave his position. Standing up in his fox-hole, completely exposed to enemy fire, he threw hand grenades at the advancing Germans. When the third attack had been repulsed, Staff Sergeant CIOCI crawled back 76 yards to notify his platoon leader of the situation and then volunteered to hold his position on the left

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flank for the night. Early the next morning the enemy attacked again and were successfully repulsed. Later the Germans returned with reinforcements for a fifth attack. Staff Sergeant CIOCI was the first to notice their approach and, after shouting a warning to the other members of his platoon, again exposed himself to enemy fire as he stood up in his fox-hole and, by throwing grenades and firing his sub-machine gun, succeeded in repulsing the enemy. Staff Sergeant CIOCI'S gallant act resulted in the holding of vital positions. His combat skill, devotion to duty and outstanding courage exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Alliance, Ohio.

JOE S. MARTINEZ, (39687113), Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 September 1944, near Nicchi, Italy. While attacking enemy hill positions, Sergeant MARTINEZ'S platoon was fired on from the rear by an enemy machine gun and riflemen who had been by-passed by the leading elements. Sergeant MARTINEZ and three men were wounded by this severe fire and lay within 25 yards of the enemy position. The enemy threw several hand grenades, one of which landed near Sergeant MARTINEZ. Although severely wounded, Sergeant MARTINEZ managed to roll over to the enemy grenade, pick it up and throw it back into the enemy position, killing two men, wounding another, and causing the remainder to abandon the position and flee. Sergeant MARTINEZ'S quick thinking and prompt courageous action prevented further casualties and enabled his platoon to continue the advance. His outstanding gallantry reflects the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Bakersfield, California.

ROBERT P. GROBE, (39421653), Corporal, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. When all the members of a seven-man patrol were seriously injured in an enemy mine field, Corporal GROBE and several other men volunteered to go forward to rescue them. Although the field was large and was covered by intermittent machine gun fire, Corporal GROBE and his companions probed the field for three hours, uncovering 37 mines and finally reaching the wounded men. The injured soldiers were then quickly given first aid and evacuated to the aid station. On the following night, Corporal GROBE learned there were two more men lying in the mine field. He immediately volunteered to go forward and assist them. Taking 8 men with him, Corporal GROBE made his way over the same route he had taken the night before. One man was found dead, but the other could not be located. As they were searching the area, one of the aid men detonated a mine which wounded him seriously. Corporal GROBE immediately took complete charge and calmly and coolly organized the remaining men into two litter teams. He then led his men, who carried the injured soldier, to safety. Corporal GROBE'S gallant efforts saved a number of his comrades from death or capture. His outstanding courage and medical skill exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department and the United States Army. Entered military service from Lebanon, Oregon.

RAYMOND L. SILVA, (39112639), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 4 January 1945, near Montano, Italy. Private First Class SILVA was on guard protecting the entrance to his platoon command post when the members of the outpost became engaged in a fierce fire fight with an eight-man enemy patrol. Suddenly a German, armed

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with a machine pistol, appeared on a ridge only twenty yards from Private First Class SILVA. The two men fired almost simultaneously. The German was killed and Private First Class SILVA received a serious shoulder injury. Despite the intense pain of the wound, he refused to leave his post until four of the Germans were killed. Then he was relieved, Private First Class SILVA volunteered to accompany a litter team to evacuate a wounded man lying further down the ridge. Although every movement of his arm caused him intense pain, he helped carry the injured man up the steep and rocky embankment and down to the Battalion Aid Station. Not until the other man had been given medical attention did he allow himself to be treated. Private First Class SILVA'S gallant efforts helped prevent a serious break-through and enabled a wounded fellow-soldier to receive prompt medical attention. His outstanding initiative, exceptional courage and unselfish comradeship exemplify the high traditions of the Infantry of the United States Army. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

RALPH L. MAXWELL, (34717512), Private, 362 Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 30 September 1944, near La Costa, Italy. When his company was subjected to a severe counterattack following the capture of important positions, Private MAXWELL, with a machine gun squad, moved out ahead of his platoon to prevent the enemy from breaking through. As soon as the weapon had been emplaced, he crawled forward to a slight knoll, under direct observation of the enemy, to observe and direct fire for his squad. The enemy immediately opened fire, wounding him seriously. Noticing another machine gun of his company on the left, Private MAXWELL immediately began directing fire for the other weapon, as well as his own. Although suffering intense pain from his wounds and so close to the Germans that they were throwing grenades at him, he refused to leave his position until the enemy had been repulsed. Private MAXWELL'S gallant act prevented the enemy from retaking vital positions. His determination in the face of the enemy, exceptional combat skill and outstanding courage exemplify the high traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Baxter, Tennessee.

II AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

DAVID EINDLAY, (36538634), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Nicci, Italy. Entered military service from Milford, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Eindlay, (mother), Milford, Michigan

III AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

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JAMES F. JENKS, (O-1185070), First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15-16 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Great Neck, New York.

FRED BRUHNS, (O-1999125), Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Military Intelligence Service, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, while attached to 362d Infantry, from 12 July 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from New York, New York.

BUFORD B. BANKSTON, (W-2119532), Chief Warrant Officer, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 12 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Dawson, Texas.

LYMAN S. BATES, (W-2119538), Chief Warrant Officer, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 4 July 1944 to 15 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Winslow, Arizona.

LINNIE W. EIVENS, (18005373), Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 13 July 1944 to 14 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from McCaulley, Texas.

LUPE T. GALLARDO, (18022745), Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 12 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Brownsville, Texas.

RALPH C. COOPER, (12000706), Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 July 1944 to 5 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Hamonton, New Jersey.

LEOPOLDO GUTIERREZ, (34409073), Staff Sergeant, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 July 1944, near Castellini, Italy. Entered military service from Tampa, Florida.

BEN T. HARRIS, (6955215), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944, near Anconella, Italy. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

ERNEST L. JOHNSON, (37228702), Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Newton, Kansas.

CHARLES C. CLABAUGH, (37681944), Corporal, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Dolliver, Iowa.

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ALVIN J. FATE, (39115394), Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Nicchi, Italy. Entered military service from Marin City, California.

JOSEPH LOZA, (39402528), Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 July 1944 to 5 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Clarksburg, California.

ROSS O. MITCHELL, (37444228), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Clinton, Iowa.

FRANK B. SILVA, (39684084), Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 July 1944 to 5 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Gustine, California.

JOHN A. SONZA, Jr., (39684082), Technician Fifth Grade, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 July 1944 to 5 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Los Banos, California.

DONALD A. TAGLER, (36015500), Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 2 November 1944 to 9 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

MARIO B. ADELPHIO, (36617506), Private First Class, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

WILLIAM E. BARBOUR, (42090449), Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 4 January 1945, near Monzuno, Italy. Entered military service from Lyons, New York.

PAUL BURRELL, (34578422), Private First Class, Medical Corps, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Rogersville, Tennessee.

VIRGIL E. GEHRTS, (39322126), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Nicchi, Italy. Entered military service from Cornelius, Oregon.

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ORVILLE L. GOODWIN, (15361963), Private First Class,  
Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Covington, Kentucky.

NEWTON W. HODGSON, (38478983), Private First Class, In-  
fantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Dekalb, Texas.

CLAUDE C. MARSHALL, (35770340), Private First Class (then Private),  
Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 September 1944, near Covigliano, Italy. Entered military service from Greenup, Kentucky.

RAYMOND B. O'LEARY, (39573391), Private First Class, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

IVAN E. OLNEY, (39458854), Private First Class,  
Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

RAYMOND P. BECK, (35511358), Private, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

MARTIN BROWN, (32954113), Private, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Haddon Heights, New Jersey.

FRANK R. FLORES, (39296553), Private, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Watts, California.

ALIOUS GALLOWAY, (38497539), Private, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Bogalusa, Louisiana.

ADRAIN L. GRANIER, (38487784), Private, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Oscar, Louisiana.

CLARIS J. LE BLANC, (31081505), Private, Medical Corps,  
United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Gardner, Massachusetts.

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ROBERT L. RIGGS, (35901839), Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Middletown, Indiana.

GEORGE F. SCHULTZ, (36750405), Private, Medical Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

IV - AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, the Division Commander has awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque to the following units:

SERVICE BATTERY, 347th FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION, 91st INFANTRY DIVISION for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 5 July 1944 to 26 December 1944.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended; the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

JAMES F. QUINN, (33370763), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. When the advance of his platoon was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun cross fire, Staff Sergeant QUINN, with a companion, voluntarily left his covered position to silence the hostile weapons. Crawling forward under intense enemy automatic fire, they approached one emplacement and, with accurate fire, killed the gunner. Staff Sergeant QUINN and his companion then moved towards another enemy machine gun and, surprising the crew, killed the gunner and his assistant. Observing a third weapon, they made their way to a vantage point and engaged the enemy crew in a fire fight, killing two and wounding a third. As Staff Sergeant QUINN and his companion were about to return to their company position, they saw the enemy attempting to put another machine gun into action. Boldly attacking the position, they captured the gunner and his crew before they could fire their weapon. Staff Sergeant QUINN'S gallant actions resulted in the reduction of serious obstacles to his platoon's advance. His exceptional courage, unwavering devotion to duty and will to destroy the enemy exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Girardville, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Margaret Kulengusky, (sister), Preston Hill, Girardville, Pennsylvania.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

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CHRISTIAN P. HALD, (O-1286479), Captain, Infantry, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Under cover of a heavy fog, Captain HALD led his company, unobserved, to a position 2000 yards behind enemy lines. After cutting the main highway and establishing a road-block, the company went into a defensive position. When an enemy vehicle and a column of Infantrymen approached, Captain HALD skillfully directed the fire of his men, destroying the vehicle and killing or wounding sixteen of the enemy. In another attempt to clear the road, the Germans brought up two tanks and placed direct fire on a building in which Captain HALD and part of his company were deployed, causing several casualties. A large force of the enemy then counterattacked. Determined to maintain his position, Captain HALD called to his men to follow him and rushed from the building in the face of severe enemy fire. Firing a rifle and throwing hand grenades at the attackers, he killed two men. Inspired by his courageous example, Captain HALD'S men succeeded in repelling the attack, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. Captain HALD'S gallant act resulted in holding a vital position. His outstanding leadership, combat skill and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Owatonna, Minnesota.

KENNETH A. JOHNSON, (39542686), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. During an attack on strongly defended enemy hill positions, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON, by skillfully controlling the fire of his platoon and directing their maneuver, quickly secured the first objective. He then went forward with his Company Commander and several other men to reconnoiter routes of approach to the next objective. The small group was far ahead of the company when the enemy suddenly launched a fierce counter-attack, subjecting the men to intense machine gun, mortar and direct tank fire. Refusing to give up his position, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON maintained a steady stream of fire on the attackers, killing several and forcing the rest to withdraw. Although the repulsed Germans were still raking the area with fire, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON, with the help of another soldier, carried his wounded Company Commander across the exposed terrain to a place of cover. Technical Sergeant JOHNSON'S gallant act was materially responsible for reducing a serious threat to his company's position. His exceptional courage, combat skill and unselfish devotion to duty bespeak the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

WILLIAM T. SANSOM, (39544337), Staff Sergeant, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. When the advance of his platoon was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun crossfire, Staff Sergeant SANSOM, with a companion, voluntarily left his covered position to silence the hostile weapons. Crawling forward under intense enemy automatic fire, they approached one emplacement and, with accurate fire, killed the gunner. Staff Sergeant SANSOM and his companion then moved towards another enemy machine gun and, surprising the crew, killed the gunner and his assistant. Observing a third weapon, they made their way to a vantage point and engaged the enemy crew in a fire fight, killing two and wounding a third. As Staff Sergeant SANSOM and his companion were about to return to their company position, they saw the enemy attempting to put

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✓ WILLIAM R. HARVEY, (37575703), Private, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. During an enemy attack on defensive positions occupied by his company, Private HARVEY was severely wounded and his machine gun was destroyed by enemy tank fire. Although suffering intense pain, he refused medical attention and, on his own initiative, ran to another machine gun, the crew of which had suffered many casualties. Taking command of this weapon, Private HARVEY skillfully directed an accurate stream of fire on the attackers, taking a heavy toll of them and helping to repel the attack. He then assisted in reorganizing and strengthening the defensive positions and allowed himself to be evacuated only on direct order of his platoon leader. Private HARVEY'S gallant act resulted in repelling numerically superior forces. His combat skill, initiative and cool courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

✓ LAWRENCE H. POLAND, (35738679), Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 18 October 1944, near L'Isola, Italy. When his company's advance up a barren and unprotected hill was temporarily halted by intense enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class POLAND immediately volunteered to move to a position from which he could fire on the hostile weapon. Armed with a rocket launcher, he began to crawl slowly forward while the enemy machine gunners concentrated a heavy volume of fire on him. Reaching a wall near the enemy position, Private First Class POLAND found it was too high for him to fire over the top. He called for assistance and, when the two men nearest him reached his position, he directed them to lift him to the top of the wall. Although in full view of the enemy and under constant machine gun fire, Private First Class POLAND calmly took aim and with one round killed the entire German gun crew. He then fired five more rounds at the stronghold, completely neutralizing it. Private First Class POLAND'S intrepid act enabled his company to continue its advance. His outstanding combat skill, exceptional courage and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

✓ THEODORE STOROSKO, (33605727), Private, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Private STOROSKO'S squad was directed to clear a building occupied by two enemy snipers whose fire was delaying the advance. Enemy machine gun crossfire was so intense that Private STOROSKO and his squad leader were the only two men able to get near the building. Boldly advancing in the face of this severe fire, Private STOROSKO rushed into the building and killed the enemy snipers with a burst from his automatic rifle. Observing two Germans in another building, he turned his rifle on them, killing both of them. When his weapon was destroyed by a burst from an enemy machine gun located in a house, Private STOROSKO quickly changed position and, with two hand grenades, destroyed the hostile weapon. An enemy self-propelled gun then commenced fire on the building, crumbling the walls. Although seriously injured by falling debris, Private STOROSKO and his squad leader concealed themselves and remained in their position, under intense enemy mortar and artillery fire, until the next day when they were able to rejoin their company. Private STOROSKO'S

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another machine gun into action. Boldly attacking the position, they captured the gunner and his crew before they could fire their weapon. After taking the prisoners back to the company, Staff Sergeant SANSON made a final check of the area alone and captured another German hiding in a defile. Staff Sergeant SANSON'S gallant actions resulted in the reduction of serious obstacles to his platoon's advance. His exceptional courage, unwavering devotion to duty and will to destroy the enemy exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from El Monte, California.

CLAIR C. WYNN, (39022952), Staff Sergeant, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 24 September 1944, near Traversa, Italy. Staff Sergeant WYNN led a small combat patrol up the side of a steep hill to take a German observation post. As he approached the crest of the hill he ordered his men to stay behind. Moving forward under cover of a light fog, Staff Sergeant WYNN set out to locate the enemy position. Suddenly the fog lifted, leaving him completely exposed to the enemy, who immediately opened fire on him. Despite the intense fire striking all about him, Staff Sergeant WYNN refused to give ground and boldly returned their fire, killing three Germans and wounding five others. When the enemy opened fire from another position, he moved behind a large rock and continued the fight. When the remainder of the patrol joined him, Staff Sergeant WYNN personally led an assault on the enemy observation post, capturing five enemy and much valuable equipment. As soon as he had occupied the newly-won position, the enemy laid down an intense barrage of mortar and artillery fire in an attempt to drive out the patrol. Disregarding the danger of the position, Staff Sergeant WYNN refused to leave until the enemy had been driven back by other forces. Staff Sergeant WYNN'S gallant efforts resulted in the taking and holding of a vital position. His coolness under fire, inspiring leadership and determination in the face of the enemy are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Moccasin, California.

ELMER G. SPENCER, (39902893), Technician Third Grade, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 19 September 1944, near Gagliano, Italy. When the leading elements of his company were temporarily halted by intense enemy machine gun fire, Technician Third Grade SPENCER immediately left his place of cover to give aid to three men who were seriously wounded. Making his way through a hail of small arms fire, he reached the side of one wounded man thirty yards away. After expertly dressing his wounds, Technician Third Grade SPENCER carried him to a place of safety. Although the enemy was now subjecting the area to a severe artillery and mortar barrage, showering him with shell fragments, Technician Third Grade SPENCER continued towards the other men. After giving them medical attention, he carried them to a covered position. Technician Third Grade SPENCER then went back two miles to inform litter bearers of the location of the helpless men and to arrange for their evacuation. Technician Third Grade SPENCER'S gallant act enabled the wounded men to receive prompt medical attention. His exceptional medical skill, outstanding courage and unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the high traditions of the Medical Department of the United States Army. Entered military service from Grace, Idaho.

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Award of Bronze Star Medal . . . . . ✓

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✓ AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

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✓ JOSEPH V. MANTO, (32171709), Technical Sergeant, Company F, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 January 1945, near Ca Del Monte, Italy. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

AUGUSTINE M. SAMANIEGO, (38347659), Private, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 27 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. During an attack on heavily defended enemy positions, Private SAMANIEGO, with two other men, went forward to reconnoiter for routes of advance. Just as he observed an enemy rifleman on an outpost, Private SAMANIEGO was subjected to severe enemy machine gun fire. Disregarding the heavy fire, he skillfully maneuvered close to the German rifleman, wounded him and took him prisoner. Private SAMANIEGO then continued towards the enemy machine gun and, with accurate fire, killed the gunner and silenced the weapon. The enemy immediately began to place another machine gun in action. Without hesitation, Private SAMANIEGO opened fire on them. Although the enemy returned his fire with hand grenades and intense rifle fire, he remained in his exposed position, drawing their fire, so his two companions could move unobserved to a flank. As soon as they were in position, all three men rushed the enemy emplacement, wounding two Germans and capturing the entire crew. Private SAMANIEGO'S gallant actions enabled his platoon to take their objective without suffering casualties. His exemplary initiative, devotion to duty and courage under fire are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Bronte, Texas. Next of kin: Mrs. Rebecca O. Samaniego, (mother), P. O. Box 67, Bronte, Texas.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

WALTER G. BALL, (O-414490), Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Infantry, 2d Battalion Headquarters, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. When his Battalion became engaged in a fierce fire fight for possession of a key defensive

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position in the enemy's defensive line, Colonel BALL went forward under intense enemy sniper and mortar fire to establish an observation post. Disregarding warnings from his men, he climbed a sheer cliff and from an exposed position adjusted fire on the enemy and directed the movements of his Battalion. Although enemy sniper and artillery fire struck all about him, he remained in his exposed position until the attack was progressing satisfactorily. Later during the attack, while leading his men forward, Colonel BALL personally captured an enemy sniper. Colonel BALL'S aggressive leadership was an incentive to his men and contributed materially to the success of the attack, during which the enemy was routed and suffered heavy casualties. His outstanding leadership, devotion to duty and exceptional courage are in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

✓ JAMES F. KENNY, (39113530), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company C 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 October 1944, near Loiano, Italy. In command of a squad, which was part of a scout platoon with the mission of capturing a house 1200 yards to the front, Staff Sergeant KENNY moved his group, under cover of fog, to within 15 yards of the building. When the enemy suddenly opened up with machine gun fire from both flanks, the squad was cut off from the rest of the platoon and Staff Sergeant KENNY was isolated from his men. Shortly afterwards the fog lifted, exposing the entire group. Immediately the enemy, with advantage of position and numerically superior forces, began a counterattack. After ordering one man back to the platoon leader to request that smoke be laid on the position, Staff Sergeant KENNY directed the men of his squad to throw ammunition and grenades to him. For over 30 minutes, by using the ammunition thrown to him, he held off the enemy force until smoke was placed on the position. Under cover of the smoke, Staff Sergeant KENNY rejoined his squad and led them to safety. As he was moving about the area, guiding his men, he came upon two of his comrades who had been seriously wounded. Disregarding the intense fire, Staff Sergeant KENNY carried them to a house nearby. After dressing their wounds, he returned to his squad to direct their maneuver. Staff Sergeant KENNY'S gallantry, combat skill and devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Crockett, California.

✓ CHARLIE L. GOAR, (34395272), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Sergeant GOAR'S company had cut behind enemy lines and, after establishing a road block, was subjected to several severe enemy counterattacks. During the first attack Sergeant GOAR, a heavy machine gunner, coolly waited until the enemy was only 75 yards away and then subjected them to severe fire, taking a heavy toll and causing them to withdraw. The enemy attacked again with tank support. While firing on the attackers, Sergeant GOAR'S weapon was destroyed by direct tank fire. Knocked unconscious by the enemy shell, he regained consciousness a few minutes later to find a man near him severely wounded by the same burst. After carrying his injured comrade to a house nearby for treatment, Sergeant GOAR secured a carbine and, immediately returning to join the fire fight, maintained accurate fire on the enemy until the attack was repulsed. He

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then aided in the reorganization of the defense and manned a light machine gun, the crew of which had become casualties. Sergeant GUR'S gallant efforts were largely responsible for reducing a serious threat to his company's position. His courage, skill and inspiring example exemplify the high traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Athens, Alabama.

III- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

✓ RONALD E. McADAMS, (O-294974), Major, Infantry, Headquarters 2d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 12 July 1944 to 3 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Pilot Point, Texas. \*

✓ GORDON H. STEVENS, (O-1301554), Captain, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat, from 25 September 1944 to 29 September 1944, near Coviglio, Italy. Entered military service from Hudson, New York. \*

✓ JAY F. RAZOR, (O-1295317), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Service Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 28 September 1944, near Pietramala, Italy. Entered military service from Burbank, California.

✓ PORTER S. MILLER, (6658272), Technical Sergeant, Company E, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Tell City, Indiana.

✓ ARNOLD L. EIDE, (37313768), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 September 1944, near Sartone, Italy. Entered military service from Tioga, North Dakota.

✓ CLARENCE E. SMITH, (34447522), Sergeant, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Gainesville, Georgia.

✓ LUTHER L. BOYD, (34378880), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 September 1944, near Futa Pass, Italy. Entered military service from Paris, Tennessee.

✓ CLYDE M. HEND. EKSON, (36271752), Private First Class, Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Cornucopia, Wisconsin.

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✓ BERNARD J. H. NELSON, (36275035), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944, near Livornano, Italy. Entered military service from Spring Valley, Wisconsin.

✓ ERNEST F. REAL, (39031007), Private First Class, Company G, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 26 October 1944 to 20 November 1944, near Livornano, Italy. Entered military service from Volta, California.

✓ LAWRENCE W. SOULE, (31352962), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 July 1944, near C-Di Strido, Italy. Entered military service from Woburn, Massachusetts.

✓ RUFUS E. TIDWELL, (34328705), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 28 December 1944, near Livornano, Italy. Entered military service from Burns, Tennessee.

✓ EDWARD A. YOUNG, (32243335), Private First Class, Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Grant, Virginia.

IV - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-85, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

~~JOHN J. CARRON, (0-1540600), First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 12 July 1944 to 24 January 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Santa Barbara, California.~~

✓ JOHN J. CARRON, (0-1540600), First Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 15 September 1944 to 17 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from Pocatello, Idaho.

✓ ELBERT D. MURDOCK, (39055259), Staff Sergeant, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 17 October 1944, near Livornano, Italy. Entered military service from Celeste, Texas.

✓ GEORGE R. BEERMANN, (37442588), Technician Fourth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 12 July 1944 to 25 January 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Pocahontas, Iowa.

✓ MATTHEW L. COMO, (39686949), Technician Fourth Grade, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 17 October 1944, near Livornano, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

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✓ PAUL H. REED, (39194309), Technician Fifth Grade, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 17 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Morton, Washington.

✓ WED O. TUCKER, (39316995), Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 10 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, near Barbarolo, Italy. Entered military service from Grants Pass, Oregon.

✓ FOY E. COX, (39637492), Private First Class, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 17 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Madera, California.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

✓ **CLAUDE E. MATTHEWS**, (20544839), Technical Sergeant, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near C. Pietra, Italy. In the absence of an officer, Technical Sergeant MATTHEWS led a ten man patrol in the capture of a town which was being used as an enemy Battalion Command Post. After a bitter, morning-long fight along the ridges leading into the town, Technical Sergeant MATTHEWS skillfully deployed his men in two groups and led them under cover of rockets and anti-tank grenades until he was within hand grenade range. Throwing hand grenades, he led his men in an attack which was so audacious that the 40 defenders of the town fled in confusion, leaving behind much valuable equipment including a radio and many papers. In the assault seven Germans were killed and five were captured. Immediately, under cover of an intense mortar barrage, the enemy counterattacked, but Technical Sergeant MATTHEWS had organized the positions so skillfully that the Germans were driven back. He and his men successfully held the position for three hours until support reached them. In his initiative, superior leadership and combat skill, Technical Sergeant MATTHEWS exemplifies the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Fairmont, West Virginia.

✓ **WILLIAM N. RICHARDSON**, (36876162), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 15 October 1944, near Casalina, Italy. Staff Sergeant RICHARDSON'S squad was given the mission of clearing an enemy-held building. Realizing the importance of surprise, he led his men to within 50 yards of the building, under cover of a heavy fog. Deploying his squad to cover him, Staff Sergeant RICHARDSON rushed the building alone. As he threw two hand grenades inside, one of the enemy ran out. Staff Sergeant RICHARDSON killed him instantly with a burst from his sub-machine gun. Firing his weapon, he entered the building and quickly captured six Germans before they could offer effective resistance. Questioning his prisoners, Staff Sergeant RICHARDSON learned the position of an enemy machine gun. Moving forward alone, he skillfully maneuvered close to the enemy gun and, with several bursts of accurately placed fire, forced the enemy machine gunners to abandon their position. Staff Sergeant RICHARDSON'S

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✓ MILLARD S. LANGFORD, (37394118), Master Sergeant, Headquarters 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 1 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

✓ LESTER H. RODGERS, (39402209), Technical Sergeant, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Ca di Bortignano, Italy. Entered military service from Stockton, California.

MICHAEL GIANNONE, (39684068), Staff Sergeant, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 3 June 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Los Banos, California.

✓ STEWARD A. RHOADES, (37266532), Staff Sergeant, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 November 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Union, Nebraska.

✓ KENNEDY L. GRAVES, (37229223), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Casa Bianca, Italy. Entered military service from Pomona, Kansas.

✓ WILLARD C. BURTON, (39458729), Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Judge Advocate Section, Headquarters 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Spokane, Washington.

THEODORE A. TAUSCH, (19176798), Technician Fourth Grade, G-2 Section, Headquarters 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

✓ STANLEY E. TWEED, (35800810), Corporal, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Ca di Bortignano, Italy. Entered military service from Coxton, Kentucky.

✓ HOWARD M. BURGI, (36708496), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Ca di Bortignano, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

✓ GILBERTO LUMA, (38442156), Private First Class, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 June 1944, near Scalvaia, Italy. Entered military service from El Paso, Texas.

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✓ **GRANVEL M. MURRAY**, (37445349), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from Des Moines, Iowa.

✓ **ROY M. FUCKETT**, (37388221), Private First Class, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Benton, Missouri.

✓ **VERNON E. RICE**, (35650176), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Ca di Bortignano, Italy. Entered military service from Hitchens, Kentucky.

✓ **RAYMOND M. SWITZER**, (33654486), Private First Class (then Private), Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Newcastle, Virginia.

✓ **LESTER R. KREYER**, (6915287), Private First Class (then Private), Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 July 1944, near C Di Strido, Italy. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

✓ **JESSE T. LANEY**, (34859539), Private, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 January 1945, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Kannapolis, North Carolina.

III - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

✓ **RODNEY A. AHLBERG**, (O-1036820), Captain, Chemical Warfare Service, Headquarters 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 1 May 1944 to 1 February 1945, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Boulder, Colorado.

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✓ **RUSSELL W. WARD**, (10025526), Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 12 July 1944 to 2 February 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Waukegan, Illinois.

✓ **ROY R. BALL**, (35161898), Technician Fifth Grade, 91st Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 10 July 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Hobart, Indiana.

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ALFRED P. BUSCHER, (37395613), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 29 September 1944, near Piamaggio, Italy. Entered military service from Linn, Missouri.

HENRY B. EVANS, (35426081), Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 29 September 1944, near Piamaggio, Italy. Entered military service from Parkersburg, West Virginia.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

LON D. CHAFFIN, (34886822), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 351st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Staff Sergeant CHAFFIN'S squad was directed to secure a building which commanded his company's flank. As the squad approached the house, they were subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire. Realizing the necessity for prompt action, Staff Sergeant CHAFFIN crawled to the side of his automatic rifleman, took the rifle and boldly rushed the building alone. Disregarding the intense fire striking all about him, he stood up in full view of the enemy and fired his automatic rifle into their midst. Taken completely by surprise, the Germans were unable to offer effective resistance. Four were killed and the rest fled in disorder. Staff Sergeant CHAFFIN then quickly organized a defense and held the position against two strong enemy counterattacks. By his gallant and intrepid action, Staff Sergeant CHAFFIN secured his company's flank and enabled the company to maintain strategically important positions. His aggressiveness, initiative and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Gainesboro, Tennessee.

RAY W. NOAKES, (37393683), Private, Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 October 1944, near Bodigano, Italy. When the advance of his company was temporarily halted by intense enemy mortar fire, Private NOAKES, heavy machine gun section leader, immediately left his place of cover to move to an exposed position from which he could direct fire on two enemy machine guns which were preventing the evacuation of a large group of casualties. Although the direct target of the two enemy weapons, he courageously moved from one position to another, in full view of the enemy, directing the fire of his section at enemy emplacements. When the fire of the machine gun on the left flank had been neutralized, Private NOAKES moved to another exposed position on the right flank and

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directed the fire of his section on the remaining enemy weapon. With the neutralization of the second gun, the company was able to evacuate the wounded men. Private NOAKES then directed his section to fire tracers at the enemy positions. Guided by this fire, the company mortars were able to locate the enemy emplacements and, with accurate fire, destroyed them. Private NOAKES' gallant efforts enabled his wounded comrades to receive prompt medical attention and allowed his company to continue the advance. His courage under fire, inspiring leadership and combat skill are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Rolla, Missouri..

KELLY R. JENKINS, (33048159), Sergeant, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 9 October 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Sergeant JENKINS was second in command of a squad assigned the mission of attacking a strongly defended enemy position. Moving out under cover of darkness they approached the enemy emplacement. As they came close, they were observed by the enemy, who immediately opened fire on them with machine guns, severely injuring Sergeant JENKINS and two other members of the squad. Disregarding the pain of his wounds, Sergeant JENKINS shouted orders to the other men to evacuate his two comrades. Refusing medical attention for himself, he remained in his position delivering an accurate and relentless stream of fire at the enemy position, killing five Germans and wounding several others. As the squad moved in for the assault, the squad leader noticed that Sergeant JENKINS was so severely wounded that he could not walk. Protesting strongly that he didn't want to give up his position, he was ordered to the rear. Sergeant JENKINS' gallant act was an inspiring example to his men. His courage under fire, disregard for personal injury and determination in the face of the enemy are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Gloucester County, Virginia.

EUGENE C. MARTIN, (34436330), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company M, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 September 1944, near Casa Nova, Italy. When a numerically superior enemy force engaged the leading elements of his company in a fierce fire fight, Sergeant MARTIN, a machine gunner, quickly moved his weapon into position and opened fire. Before the enemy could take cover, four were killed and two injured. The enemy immediately opened fire from another flank. Although enemy fire was striking the ground less than a foot from him, Sergeant MARTIN quickly moved his machine gun to another position and, with an accurate and intense stream of fire, forced the Germans to abandon their position. The enemy, deceived as to the disposition and size of the forces facing them because of Sergeant MARTIN'S skillful placement of fire, quickly moved their main body to the rear. This maneuver allowed Sergeant MARTIN'S comrades to rush forward and capture twenty prisoners. Sergeant MARTIN'S gallant efforts removed a serious threat to his company's position. His combat skill, courage under fire and devotion to duty exemplify the high traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

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II - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

FREDERICK W. NELSON, (36809689), Corporal (then Private First Class), Company H, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroism on 8 January 1945, near Villa La Torre, Italy. When a can of gasoline was spilled near an open fireplace in a room which eight men were occupying and the room was instantly transformed into a blazing furnace, Corporal NELSON, groping his way through the smoke and flames, stumbled out of the room to join the men who were trying to extinguish the blaze. Noticing one of his comrades, blinded by the smoke and flames from his burning clothes, groping around the blazing room in search of the doorway, Corporal NELSON, fully aware of the great danger, reentered the room and led the man to safety. Just a moment afterwards, two hand grenades exploded in the room. Once outside the building, Corporal NELSON quickly rolled the man in a snow-bank, effectively extinguishing the flaming clothing. Corporal NELSON'S heroic act won for him the admiration of all who saw it and brought great credit on himself and on the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Viroqua, Wisconsin.

III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

WILLIAM C. GOENNE, Jr., (O-447685), Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 June 1944, near Radicondola, Italy. Entered military service from Davenport, Iowa.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

MERVIN KRIEGER, (O-1305795), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, near Trebbo, Italy. Entered military service from Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

EUGENE M. MILEWSKI, (O-1323597), First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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LLOYD E. CHANDLER, (39802964), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, near Monzuho, Italy. Entered military service from Roxburg, Idaho.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

CLIFFORD E. FITZSIMMONS, (38588048), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Sallisaw, Oklahoma. Next of kin: Mrs. Agnes I. Fitzsimmons, (mother), General Delivery, Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

HUBERT S. SIMPSON, (34436446), Private, Company B, 366d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Queroota, Italy. Entered military service from Concord, North Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Hazel Simpson, (wife), Route 1, Box 509-A, Concord, North Carolina.

V - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

JOHN M. CHARGIN, (O-466578), Captain, Field Artillery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 12 July 1944 to 19 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

ALEX R. RHODES, (O-407684), Captain, Infantry, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 June 1944, near Orbetello, Italy. Entered military service from Kittanning, Pennsylvania.

DONALD T. KELIHER, (O-1308964), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Oswego, New York.

JOFFRE M. KIALY, (O-1525847), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 19 September 1944 to 22 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Miami, Arizona.

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BILLIE O. RAGSDALE, (O-377242), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 15 October 1944, near Ca Del Fatto, Italy. Entered military service from Eureka, Missouri.

MALCOLM E. NICHOLSON, (W-2122943), Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Service Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 12 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Medford, Oregon.

JAMES J. BAUER, (39031168), Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 7 July 1944 to 27 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

MORRIS KAPLAN, (38204174), Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 916th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 3 June 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Houston, Texas.

ERNEST L. AVERY, (34458088), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Winterville, North Carolina.

JAMES C. GUGE, (39398988), Staff Sergeant, Company E, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 1 July 1944 to 11 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Stockton, California.

JOSEPH L. MOORE, (18018670), Staff Sergeant, Company A, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 2 June 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Lubbock, Texas.

JAMES L. PFAU, (36405425), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company E, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

GARLAND B. LANE, (36110613), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

DANIEL J. DALTON, (39108273), Technician Third Grade, Finance Section, Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

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JOSEPH A. CLARKE, (37100764), Sergeant, Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, near Monsuno, Italy. Entered military service from Hardy, Arkansas.

THOMAS L. FAWCETT, (33660799), Sergeant (then Private), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Opequon, Virginia.

JOHN J. REICHEL, Jr., (39031251), Sergeant, Regimental Headquarters Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 26 September 1944, near Mt. Fredii, Italy. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

JEFFERSON J. SNODGRASS, (39401996), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Querceta, Italy. Entered military service from Happy Camp, California.

JEROME J. CYPHER, (16133752), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 2 November 1944 to 9 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Medford, Wisconsin.

RALPH J. GRIGGS, (39032225), Private First Class, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 19 October 1944 to 24 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Entered military service from San Francisco, California.

JAMES H. HODGES, (34886902), Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Seymour, Tennessee.

FELIX JARAMILLO, (39265261), Private First Class, Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1 January 1945, near Monsuno, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

GERALD A. MARCH, (39166029), Private First Class, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 19 October 1944 to 24 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

GRANT MDSLEY, (35677749), Private First Class, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 19 October 1944 to 24 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Entered military service from Febworth, Kentucky.

HEBURN H. MUNSTERMAN, (39403282), Private First Class, Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 19 October 1944 to 24 October 1944, near Canovetta, Italy. Entered military service from Yuba City, California.

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JOSE A. REYES, (39287114), Private First Class, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Pasadena, California.

FRED W. SKEN, (39914643), Private First Class, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Sadurano, Italy. Entered military service from Tremonton, Utah.

HOMER L. SHARP, (37228882), Private First Class, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Triplett, Missouri.

SAMUEL E. JONES, (35348164), Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Findlay, Ohio.

JOSEPH A. RICCI, (42047038), Private First Class (then Private), Regimental Headquarters Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 6 September 1944 to 17 September 1944, near Soarperia, Italy. Entered military service from New York, New York.

VI - COMMEMORATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

*Rec. by GO # 19 - Mar. 25, 1945*  
~~\*ALBERT SIMON, Jr., (D-1166375), Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters 916th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 2 June 1944 to 15 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.~~

*Rec. by GO # 37 - May 31, 1945*  
~~\*ARTHUR W. BATTIN, (D-1183466), First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 12 April 1944 to 14 February 1945, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Town Square, Pennsylvania.~~

*Rec. by GO # 17 - Mar. 14, 1945*  
~~\*LON D. CHAFFIN, (3-1000000), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 26 December 1944, near La Fahbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Gainesboro, Tennessee.~~

VERNARD J. NEUTER, (37435894), Sergeant, Company B, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 10 September 1944 to 12 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Charlotte, Iowa.

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FRED CROGHAN, (39401719), Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 10 September 1944 to 12 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Palermo, California.

LYLE E. BALTZ, (36272837), Technician Fifth Grade, 91st Quartermaster Company, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 10 July 1944 to 1 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Kendall, Wisconsin.

WALDO O. AUSTIN, (36274508), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 15 September 1944, on Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Independence, Wisconsin.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LIVESAY:

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Colonel, G.S.C.,  
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I - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

**HORACE D. BRIGHAM, (33098938), Private First Class, 91st Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, United States Army.** For gallantry in action on 9 January 1945, at Di Sotto, Italy. Private First Class BRIGHAM was advancing ahead of a reconnaissance patrol, acting as flank security, when he suddenly came upon a two man enemy machine gun nest which had been set up as an ambush for his comrades. Dropping to the ground, he attempted to open fire on the Germans with his sub-machine gun, but, because of intense cold, the weapon would not function. Just as the two enemy gunners were swinging their machine gun around to fire on the patrol, Private First Class BRIGHAM rushed the position, throwing his weapon into the face of one German, knocking him unconscious. As the other enemy reached for his rifle, Private First Class BRIGHAM brought him down with a flying tackle. During the ensuing hand to hand struggle an alarm was given and an enemy flare went up, bring the struggling figures and the patrol into full view. Two enemy snipers immediately opened fire. Private First Class BRIGHAM, realizing that the patrol could not come to his assistance, maneuvered the struggling German between himself and the snipers, this diverting their fire from the remainder of the patrol. By this time, the other German had regained consciousness, but Private First Class BRIGHAM toppled him into the dugout with a well placed kick. The second German was finally overcome as Private First Class BRIGHAM beat his adversary's head against a beam until he was unconscious. Enemy mortar shells then began falling on the position and, in the confusion, Private First Class BRIGHAM made his escape. Private First Class BRIGHAM'S gallant act saved his comrades from a dangerous ambush. His combat skill, outstanding courage and will to destroy the enemy exemplify the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel:

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FERDINAND A. BOLING, (O-1316823), Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livernano, Italy. Captain BOLING'S company was directed to secure a heavily-defended hill which dominated enemy positions nearby. Advancing in the face of intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire, Captain BOLING personally led the attack. He threw several hand grenades into an enemy emplacement and captured two Germans armed with machine pistols. When a heavy enemy artillery and mortar barrage, and cross-fire from enemy machine guns temporarily halted the attack, Captain BOLING, by exposing himself continually to this severe fire, directed and adjusted artillery fire on the enemy emplacements. Then, skillfully maneuvering his platoons against German strong points, he led the assault. Shouting encouragement, pointing out targets and moving continually among his men under all types of enemy fire, Captain BOLING skillfully led the company in routing the enemy. He personally captured four Germans in the final assault and, with the company, which captured 20 more, successfully secured the objective. Captain BOLING'S gallant and determined action in the face of great personal danger was directly responsible for the success of the attack and the capture of a vital objective. His outstanding leadership, combat skill and unwavering devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Clyde, Kansas.

WILLIAM J. REGNER, (O-25395), Captain, Infantry, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livernano, Italy. Refusing assistance because of the great danger, Captain REGNER made a personal reconnaissance of a hill under direct enemy observation and fire to find a route of advance for his company. Twice he was forced to take cover from enemy machine gun fire, crawl back down the hill and begin search for a new route. On the third trip, a sniper and an enemy mortar observer with a radio were captured singlehandedly by Captain REGNER, thereby stopping the intense shelling to which his company and the adjacent company were being subjected. Returning to his company, after discovering a suitable route, he led the first group up the hill swept by machine gun fire. In the ensuing action, 17 prisoners were taken, and two mortars and a great quantity of enemy ammunition and equipment were captured. Captain REGNER'S gallantry made possible the taking of the objective. His combat skill, outstanding leadership and exceptional courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Infantry and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

FRANK J. MEYER, (35100125), First Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. After penetrating deeply into enemy lines, First Sergeant MEYER'S company established a road block on the enemy's main axis of approach. Several officers had been wounded and First Sergeant MEYER had been given command of a platoon. Quickly organizing his men in position near a building, he skillfully directed the fire of his men on an approaching enemy column, killing three and scattering the others. The enemy reorganized and counter-attacked. Aply directing his men and controlling their fire, First Sergeant MEYER led his platoon in repelling the attack. Seeking to contact another unit, First Sergeant MEYER encountered an enemy patrol. Acting quickly, he spoke in German and ordered them to follow him. They did, and as he approached his platoon, First Sergeant MEYER shouted the alarm and dove for

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cover. The platoon opened fire and routed the enemy. Later, when six enemy approached the building, First Sergeant MEYER repeated his ruse and called for them to come into the house. Four were captured as they entered the building. The other two broke away and alerted a large force of enemy who immediately counterattacked, under cover of heavy automatic, bazooka and rifle grenade fire. Exposing himself continually to this severe fire, First Sergeant MEYER led his men in repelling the attack, personally accounting for four of the enemy with accurate rifle fire. Knocked down by an exploding enemy grenade, he rose and killed an enemy attempting to climb in a window. Inspired by his bold and aggressive action, the platoon again repelled the attack and forced the enemy to withdraw. Through First Sergeant MEYER'S gallant and intrepid action, the enemy was forced to abandon prepared positions at a heavy cost of killed, wounded and captured. His quick thinking, indomitable courage and combat skill reflect great credit on himself and on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from St. Meinrad, Indiana.

*Letter (with you) by Lt 20 - Mar 29, 1945*

\*ALFRED AKERS, (37231616), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 5 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Sergeant AKERS led an eight man patrol into an outpost 500 yards in front of his company command post. As soon as the outpost had been established, it was subjected to a severe counterattack by numerically superior enemy forces. During the ensuing fire fight, one of the Germans shouted, in English, to cease firing. Sergeant AKERS, immediately detecting the attempted ruse, quickly warned his companions and told them to continue firing. As the Germans approached closer to the position, they began throwing numerous grenades, one of which landed in the center of the patrol. Sergeant AKERS, realizing the great danger, immediately dropped his weapon and, shielding the other men with his body, attempted to kick the grenade into a hole. The grenade exploded just a moment too soon and severely wounded Sergeant AKERS in the hip. Despite the intense pain of his wound, he picked up his rifle and returned to fire at the enemy. Sergeant AKERS' gallant actions saved his comrades from serious injury. His combat skill, courage under fire and outstanding leadership are in keeping with the traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Joplin, Missouri.

III- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men.

HENRY J. BRAY, (36403513), Staff Sergeant, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17-18 December 1944, near Livorno, Italy. Entered military service from Vulcan, Michigan.

DOUGLAS V. BURKE, (16132792), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17-18 December 1944, near Livorno, Italy. Entered military service from Spooner, Wisconsin.

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IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

LLOYD J. INMAN, (O-1286492), Captain, Infantry, Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 July 1944, near Leghorn, Italy. Entered military service from Metropolis, Illinois.

JOSEPH W. BONE, (O-1319257), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 6 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Royal Oak, Michigan.

STEPHEN L. KISH, (O-1286140), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 July 1944, near Chianni, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

JAMES M. ROBERTSON, (W-2119536), Chief Warrant Officer, Finance Office, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 30 September 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

OSCAR FREY, (39111673), Staff Sergeant, Company F, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 11 May 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

PHILLIP KRAMER, (32006941), Staff Sergeant, Company H, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944, near Roccastrada, Italy. Entered military service from Bronx, New York.

HAROLD N. SNIDER, (36617227), Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant), Cannon Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 5 June 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Flatrock, Illinois.

STEPHEN P. SPACKER, (36269263), Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 July 1944, near Chianni, Italy. Entered military service from La Crosse, Wisconsin.

*WIE name amend by Me # 20 - Mar. 29, 1945*  
FRY FRENCH, (34328775), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 1 October 1944, near Piamaggio, Italy. Entered military service from Halls, Tennessee.

ERNEST P. PENLEY, (34437398), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 October 1944, near Monghidoro, Italy. Entered military service from Morgantown, North Carolina.

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JAMES P. BRYANT, (35872896), Sergeant (then Private), Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 July 1944, near Leghorn, Italy. Entered military service from Kampton, Kentucky.

ROBERT L. HUBBARD, (37536278), Sergeant, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Castel De Torre, Italy. Entered military service from Wichita, Kansas.

ANTHONY J. ROSITANO, (39403167), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 3 July 1944 to 25 August 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Fairfield, California.

RAY B. SENSENIG, (33802640), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 October 1944, near Queroeto, Italy. Entered military service from New Holland, Pennsylvania.

GARFIELD SLOAN, (15041628), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near C. Torre, Italy. Entered military service from Hindman, Kentucky.

CHARLIE L. BROCK'S, (39402585), Corporal, Company H, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944, near Roncastaldo, Italy. Entered military service from Lodi, California.

CLYDE L. FORSON, (39542982), Corporal, Company H, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 October 1944, near Roncastaldo, Italy. Entered military service from Sunnymead, California.

HOWARD A. COWELL, (37651784), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Farno, Italy. Entered military service from Marshalltown, Iowa.

ROBERT A. DRATH, (39234580), Technician Fifth Grade, Regimental Headquarters Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 July 1944, near Pisa, Italy. Entered military service from Tacoma, Washington.

CHARLES D. KRITCHMAN, (34328692), Technician Fifth Grade, Regimental Headquarters Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 July 1944, near Chianni, Italy. Entered military service from Dickson, Tennessee.

PETER F. BAZIDLO, (32025304), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Entered military service from Syracuse, New York.

VINCENT A. CAPPIELLO, (32875683), Private First Class, Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from New York, New York.

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WILLIE P. CLARK, (31351863), Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near C. Torre, Italy. Entered military service from Brewer, Maine.

VIRGIL E. HARRISON, (36768298), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 30 September 1944, near Mt. Freddi, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

GRANT O. HVELSUND, (37266563), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarpria, Italy. Entered military service from Albion, Nebraska.

PAUL J. KACHAIPER, (36262485), Private First Class, Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

HARRY M. INTSON, (37313227), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Sinai, South Dakota.

JOSEPH P. MARDESICH, (39113347), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 July 1944, near Leghorn, Italy. Entered military service from Cupertino, California.

JESSE SOSEY, (36976494), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Ca Della Tatto, Italy. Entered military service from Middletown, Ohio.

FLOYD L. VINYARD, (34329757), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Farno, Italy. Entered military service from Dickson, Tennessee.

CECIL D. BAZER, (37339181), Private First Class (then Private), Company H, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Mt. Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Snyder, Colorado.

CALVIN C. NOLEN, (35115724), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Hamilton, Ohio.

CAL TERRY, (34378974), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Farno, Italy. Entered military service from Oueda, Tennessee.

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HARRY W. DUFFY, (42021222), Private, Medical Detachment, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Fenne, Italy. Entered military service from Lookport, Niagara, New York.

JAMES D. LEYDA, (35340245), Private, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 December 1944, near C. Tianollo, Italy. Entered military service from Wellsville, Ohio.

RALPH H. THOMPSON, (33766705), Private, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Houtsdale, Pennsylvania.

HARRY S. WARD, (3574278), Private, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 August 1944, near San Miniato, Italy. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

V - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NO. 18, 1944

So much of Section III, General Orders Number 18, this Headquarters, 16 August 1944, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to COLONEL WILLIAM F. MAGILL, Jr., 07251, Infantry, 363d Infantry, United States Army, is rescinded, a higher award (Legion of Merit) having been granted by the Theater Commander for the same period and activities.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LIVESAY:

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I - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

FRANK J. MEYER, (35100125), First Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 October 1944, near Trebbo, Italy. When a platoon leader and a platoon sergeant became casualties, First Sergeant MEYER volunteered to take command of the platoon in a night attack. Advancing well ahead of his men, First Sergeant MEYER was subjected to fire from an enemy outpost. Disregarding the intense fire, First Sergeant MEYER boldly rushed the position alone. Throwing a hand grenade and firing several bursts from his sub-machine gun, he caused the enemy to flee in confusion and abandon a machine gun. Pressing the attack, First Sergeant MEYER observed an enemy machine gun in a building and silenced it with one round from a rocket launcher. Then, skillfully leading his men in a frontal assault, he directed them in overwhelming the enemy defenders, killing one and captured five more of the enemy. When the enemy counterattacked shortly after, First Sergeant MEYER, by continually exposing himself to all types of enemy fire, coolly and expertly directed his men in repelling the attack. First Sergeant MEYER'S gallant action contributed materially to the success of a difficult night attack in which his company secured a strategically important objective. His indomitable courage, outstanding leadership and unselfish devotion to duty brought great credit on himself and on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from St. Meinard, Indiana.

II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

NATALIE PLATA, (36727605), Sergeant, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 17 October 1944, near Gruppi, Italy.

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When an attack on strongly defended enemy positions was temporarily halted by intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire, Sergeant PLATA, a heavy machine gun squad leader, voluntarily carried his weapon forward alone and placed it in position on a small knoll which afforded good observation and fire. The enemy immediately subjected the knoll to intense machine gun and mortar fire. Although, twice, enemy mortar barrages were directed on his exposed position and three enemy shells exploded within ten yards of him, Sergeant PLATA courageously refused to seek cover. Locating an enemy machine gun, he silenced it with concentrated accurate fire, killing two of the enemy. Sergeant PLATA then switched fire to an enemy observation post in a building and forced the Germans to abandon the position. Following this, enemy mortar fire became noticeably less accurate. For three hours he remained in the dangerous exposed position, giving accurate supporting fire to the attacking troops. Sergeant PLATA'S gallant action in silencing an enemy machine gun and rendering an enemy observation post ineffective allowed the riflemen to continue the advance, and contributed materially to the success of the attack. His indomitable courage, coolness under fire and selfless devotion to duty exemplify the high traditions of the United States Armed Forces. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mr. Joseph Plata, (brother) 5151 Archer Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

*Station amended by HQ 79-27 June 1945*  
JOHN C. STARR, (33682965), Private, Company B, 365th Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 14 October 1944, near Querceto, Italy. Private STARR, an automatic rifleman, was in position on the left bank of a hill which had been receiving intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire from several directions. Suddenly he noticed activity about an enemy mortar position about 250 yards below him. Private STARR, realizing that the enemy might be preparing for a counterattack, left his covered position and, on his own initiative, started down the fire-swept hill side to investigate. Crawling alone up to the emplacement, he surprised and captured six prisoners. After bringing the Germans back single-handedly to his platoon command post, Private STARR quickly returned to his fox hole. Shortly afterwards he was killed by a direct hit from an enemy mortar shell. Private STARR'S gallant act deprived the enemy of a vital position. His outstanding combat skill, extraordinary initiative and heroic self-sacrifice will remain a constant inspiration to his comrades and exemplify the high traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine Starr, (mother) Route 1, Sharon, Pennsylvania.

III- AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers:

ALTON V. GLOOR, (O-132368), First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company C, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. During an attack on strongly fortified enemy hill positions, a platoon led by Lieutenant GLOOR

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was subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire from the front, flanks and rear. Quickly formulating a plan of attack, Lieutenant GLOOR moved forward to a building near the top of the hill. Although enemy fire was so intense that his clothing was pierced five times, he advanced toward an enemy building, firing his carbine. When his weapon was damaged by enemy fire, Lieutenant GLOOR picked up a rifle and two grenades from a fallen soldier. After throwing a grenade into the building, he was fired upon by an enemy machine gun, only a few yards away. Lieutenant GLOOR turned quickly and fired his rifle into the enemy position, killing the gunner and wounding two of the crew. Observing the enemy in the building attempting to flee, he threw his last grenade at them, wounding another. Lieutenant GLOOR then led his platoon into the building, administered first aid to the wounded and quickly formulated a plan of defense. The enemy counterattacked fiercely several times, but so skillful was Lieutenant GLOOR'S defense that each attack was driven off with severe losses to the enemy. Throughout this defensive action, he was constantly moving among his men, in complete disregard for enemy fire, controlling their actions and directing their fire. Lieutenant GLOOR'S gallant actions were directly responsible for the success of the attack. His outstanding leadership, will to destroy the enemy and combat skill exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Gonzales, Texas.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

GEORGE H. MOORE, (0-1323017), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Querceto, Italy. Entered military service from Fairfield, Alabama.

EFRAIN A. DURAN, (6281090), Technical Sergeant, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 October 1944, near Querceto, Italy. Entered military service from Rio Grande, Texas.

CLAUDE E. PENNINGTON, (39902626), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, near La Fabrica, Italy. Entered military service from Twin Falls, Idaho.

CHARLES N. SPERBECK, (32243120), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 November 1944, near La Fabrica, Italy. Entered military service from Haddonfield, New Jersey.

ROBERT H. BAUER, (39322137), Staff Sergeant, Company C, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 1 October 1944 to 4 January 1945, in the Italian campaign. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

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LON D. CHAFFIN, (34886822), Staff Sergeant, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Gainesboro, Tennessee.

CHARLES E. FERGUSON, (37137022), Staff Sergeant, 791st Ordnance (LM) Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 22 February 1945. Entered military service from Adrain, Missouri.

JOHN E. FOWLER, (39401699), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Vallejo, California.

PRESTON C. HAYES, (38441915), Staff Sergeant, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from Hobbs, New Mexico.

LEROY BROWN, (38519082), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 27 September 1944, near Querceto, Italy. Entered military service from Monroe, Louisiana.

CHARLES C. COY, (36444255), Sergeant, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 December 1944, near San Ansano, Italy. Entered military service from Mattoon, Illinois.

FRED W. FORRESTER, (34378483), Sergeant, Company H, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 December 1944, near San Ansano, Italy. Entered military service from Butler, Tennessee.

MILUM D. WILLIS, JR., (34491236), Sergeant (then Corporal), Company G, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 July 1944, near Bagni, Italy. Entered military service from Kyles Ford, Tennessee.

JOHN FISHER, (35206431), Corporal, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 September 1944, near Futa Pass, Italy. Entered military service from Fairmont, West Virginia.

JOHN J. HACKETT, (36732416), Corporal, Anti-Tank Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near l'Uomo Morto, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

THEODORE K. C. CHING, (39103752), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters and Service Company, 316th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 21 February 1945, in the Italian campaign. Entered military service from Berkeley, California.

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BENNIE G. MOEN, (37436990), Technician Fifth Grade, Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 December 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Austin, Minnesota.

CLIFFORD N. FOX, (37313494), Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 September 1944, near Futa Pass, Italy. Entered military service from Ellendale, North Dakota.

JOHN LAPUZZ, (32061669), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Searperia, Italy. Entered military service from Paterson, New Jersey.

ELMER W. LINDAHL, (36932282), Private First Class, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Wither, Wisconsin.

WILEY P. MANGUM, (38479481), Private First Class, Company L, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 12 September 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the Italian campaign. Entered military service from Groveton, Texas.

CARL G. MORRIS, (35832513), Private First Class, Company L, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near C. Sega Galloni, Italy. Entered military service from Lisbon, Ohio.

ARTHUR M. OLSON, (37313489), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Crookston, Minnesota.

ROSCOE PERRY, (34447431), Private First Class, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 July 1944, near Fonsacco, Italy. Entered military service from Gainesville, Georgia.

VIRGIL G. PETERSEN, (37266070), Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944, near Roncastaldo, Italy. Entered military service from Bradshaw, Nebraska.

JOHN D. REID, (39902628), Private First Class, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1944 to 1 October 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from Dietrich, Idaho.

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EDWARD R. TAMMARO, (32924595), Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 4 November 1944, near La Croce, Italy. Entered military service from Barstow, New Jersey.

ALAN J. WALLACE, (37571522), Private First Class, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 15 September 1944 to 1 October 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

ALBERT M. GINSBACH, (37489825), Private First Class (then Private), Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 2 October 1944, near Monte Piano, Italy. Entered military service from Belle Fourche, South Dakota.

JAMES C. MARTIN, (34874720), Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from Quitman, Mississippi.

EUGENE H. ORGILL, (39902954), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 1st Battalion, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Pocatello, Idaho.

HUGH F. CRUMBY, (34376599), Private, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Selmer, Tennessee.

J. D. PIERCE, (34760433), Private, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from New Holland, Georgia.

KARL C. HOSTERT, (37676392), Private, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 January 1945, near Lucca, Italy. Entered military service from Cascade, Iowa.

V - AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, the Division Commander has awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque to the following unit:

HEADQUARTERS AND SERVICE COMPANY, 516th ENGINEER BATTALION, 91st INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 15 July 1944 to 15 November 1944.

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VI - COMMENDATION

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named enlisted man is commended and hereby awarded the Division Citation:

ERMON E. SPARRS, (18014848), Staff Sergeant, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 1 May 1944 to 26 February 1945, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

VII- AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NO. 15, 1945

So much of Section VI, General Orders Number 15, this Headquarters, *OK* 28 February 1945, as awards a Division Citation to Staff Sergeant LON D. CHAFFIN, 3488822, 361st Infantry, United States Army, is rescinded, a higher award (Bronze Star Medal) having been granted for the same period and activities.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LIVESAY:

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

RICHARD C. PLOCH, (36536494), Private First Class, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. When the advance of his platoon was temporarily halted by intense enemy mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, Private First Class PLOCH, without thought for his personal safety, immediately left his place of cover to aid in neutralizing the German fire. Crawling through intense fire, he dragged his light machine gun to an exposed position from which he could fire on the enemy. Although under full observation and fire of the Germans, Private First Class PLOCH continued to deliver an accurate and relentless stream of fire at the attackers until they were forced to withdraw. Refusing to leave the dangerous position, he continued to fire on the enemy for several hours until he was mortally wounded. Private First Class PLOCH'S gallant action prevented a serious break-through and gave his company sufficient time to organize for an attack. His outstanding courage, determination in the face of the enemy and heroic self-sacrifice are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Infantry and the United States Army. Entered military service from Grosse Pointe Pk, Michigan. Next of kin: Mrs. Augusta L. Ploch, (mother), 529 Barrington Road, Grosse Pointe Pk, Michigan.

II - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

EUGENE B. CHDATE, (39120634), Private, Service Company, 753d Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroism on 25 December 1944, near San Benedetto, Italy. Awakening from a sound sleep to find his tent, blankets and clothing afire, Private CHDATE immediately made his way outside and extinguished the flames on his clothes, sustaining severe burns as he did so. Then realizing that his tent mate was still asleep, Private CHDATE re-entered the

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test, grasped his friend's bedroll and pulled him out into the snow where he put out the fire and summoned assistance. In his attempt to save his fellow soldier's life, Private CHASE sustained second degree burns covering an estimated 35% of his body surface. Private CHASE'S heroic and selfless action in an attempt to save the life of a comrade reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Berkeley, California.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

FORREST E. COCKRELL, (34430080), Private First Class, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action from 24 June 1944 to 2 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Mooreville, North Carolina. Next of kin: Mrs. Julia Cockrell, (wife), 41 College Street, Mooreville, North Carolina.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

HENRY M. RUBLE, (0-468395), Captain, Infantry, Regimental Headquarters, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 2 June 1944 to 28 February 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Bertram, Texas.

WALTER H. BOONE, (0-2685602), First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, 91st Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

DALE M. BOYD, (0-410538), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Company C, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Quarceto, Italy. Entered military service from Cidham, South Dakota.

FERRY L. CERRY, (6959367), First Sergeant, Company C, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 27 June 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Buna, Texas.

RALPH G. PEARSON, (37322183), Staff Sergeant, Company D, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 1 May 1944 to 10 February 1945, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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**BOOKER BOWMAN**, (34435803), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Mount Airy, North Carolina.

**ROALD O. OLSEN**, (39186778), Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 September 1944 to 22 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Toppenish, Washington.

**JAMES J. DREW**, (36616352), Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**IRA R. KASDORF**, (36616894), Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**DANIEL H. SCHRODER**, (19180950), Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

**HARVEY F. BLACKWELL**, (37229377), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Tonganoxie, Kansas.

**CARL E. HABERL**, (33101038), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 and 13 December 1944, near C. Stella, Italy. Entered military service from Latrobe, Pennsylvania.

**DAVID MANOUKIAN**, (39264856), Technician Fifth Grade, Company B, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 9 January 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Pasadena, California.

**CLARENCE G. WARD**, (34434422), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from High Point, North Carolina.

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THOMAS B. CARTLEDGE, (34084032), Private First Class, Medical Department, 806th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 and 13 December 1944, near C. Stella, Italy. Entered military service from Columbus, Georgia.

MARSH W. CHRIST, (39051207), Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 September 1944 to 22 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

JOHN GARSHE, Jr., (34450579), Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Derry, Louisiana.

D. C. GREEN, (38228942), Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Bluff Dale, Texas.

FRANKLIN A. HIGHLEY, (37673952), Private First Class, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Iowa Falls, Iowa.

CHARLES K. HOWE, Jr., (36671333), Private First Class, Anti-Tank Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Ponzalla, Italy. Entered military service from Flint, Michigan.

NORMAN LANG, Jr., (38500265), Private First Class (then Private), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Varnado, Louisiana.

THOMAS H. LEWIS, (34441361), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 11 November 1944, near La Valle, Italy. Entered military service from Cordele, Georgia.

JOHN M. MAYERS, (38487240), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Lafayette, Louisiana.

GLEN W. MYERS, (35555219), Private First Class, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from South Bend, Indiana.

IDEL D. TEMPLETON, (34378652), Private First Class, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Hartsville, Tennessee.

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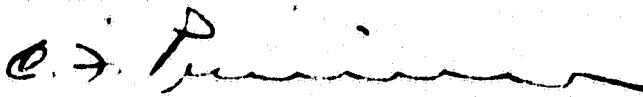
DANIEL V. DI FABIO, (42012279), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 11 November 1944, near La Valle, Italy. Entered military service from Elisabeth, New Jersey.

LOUIS G. MEYER, (57229551), Private, Company B, 316th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 22 January 1945, near Siolo, Italy. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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GENERAL ORDER NO. ....19

ORIGINAL ORDER - 1/1/

Award of Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal . . . . .	I
Award of Bronze Star Medal (Posthumous) . . . . .	II
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I - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

JOSEPH MCISA, (39031230), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

CHARLES H. MILLER, (39514071), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Miles City, Montana. Next of kin: Mrs. May Miller, (mother), Box 583, Miles City, Montana.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (MISSING IN ACTION)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man, who is missing in action.

JOHN T. MCKENNE, (32798629), Private First Class, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Casole, Italy. Entered military service from Baldwin, New York. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary McKenne, (mother), 70 Wallace Avenue, Baldwin, New York.

IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

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PAUL R. JEFFREY, (O-583781), Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, Headquarters Special Troops, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 28 February 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Revere, Massachusetts.

ALVIN W. LAIRD, (O-348912), Major, Corps of Military Police, 91st Military Police Platoon, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 15 July 1944 to 28 February 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

ROBERT H. HUNTER, (O-86923), Captain, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 26 February 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from East Prairie, Missouri.

ALBERT SIMONS, Jr., (O-1166375), Captain, Field Artillery, Headquarters, 916th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 3 June 1944 to 10 March 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Charleston, South Carolina.

VERNON W. BENDA, (W-2131817), Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Headquarters 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 28 February 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

EILEEN D. DUNN, (36274707), Technical Sergeant, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Vallappero, Italy. Entered military service from Lone Rock, Wisconsin.

HERBERT O. KILSON, (36271026), Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 14 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Cedarburg, Wisconsin.

GLENN W. PARROTT, (6293292), Staff Sergeant, Company L, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 13 September 1944 to 11 November 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Sudan, Texas.

MAURICE J. WEAVER, (37228670), Staff Sergeant, Company B, 351st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 December 1944, near Tienelli, Italy. Entered military service from Waverly, Missouri.

EARL C. HELPERT, (5374552), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company F, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Reading, Pennsylvania.

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SHERWOOD E. DENHAM, Jr., (34407288), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Casale Lazzari, Italy. Entered military service from Tampa, Florida.

JOSEPH C. SCHROER, (35873205), Sergeant, Company F, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Cincinnati, Ohio.

JAMES V. SKALA, (37266259), Sergeant (then Corporal), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 30 October 1944 to 15 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Ord, Nebraska.

EUGENE C. FISCHKE, (37313791), Technician Fifth Grade, Service Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Webster, South Dakota.

OSWALD M. ALBERS, (37573799), Private First Class, Company F, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

D. E. ALEXANDER, (39901860), Private First Class (then Private), Regimental Headquarters Company, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 July 1944, near Pontedera, Italy. Entered military service from Panguitch, Utah.

HENRY G. HAILLES, (34872059), Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Shubuta, Mississippi.

ALFRED A. HOLMES, (39518634), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Rosefield, Louisiana.

HAROLD E. KIRSCH, (36406175), Private First Class, Service Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Cheboygan, Michigan.

CHARLES A. LIEB, (33763941), Private First Class, Company A, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 November 1944, near La Piano, Italy. Entered military service from Barnaboro, Pennsylvania.

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LINCOLN A. LYNCH, (35706130), Private First Class, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Whitley City, Kentucky.

WILBERT H. MAGER, (36697144), Private First Class, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Casa Lazzari, Italy. Entered military service from Tinley Park, Illinois.

JIM MATYKA, (36274400), Private First Class, Service Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Riv Lake, Wisconsin.

JOHN N. PEATHER, (33683942), Private First Class, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Titusville, Pennsylvania.

LE V. SPARKMAN, (34729096), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Doyle, Tennessee.

ROBERT SUMMERVILLE, Jr., (35808636), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 December 1944, near Tienella, Italy. Entered military service from Mayfield, Kentucky.

HARRY J. THOMAS, (33705254), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Querceto, Italy. Entered military service from Vandergrift, Pennsylvania.

FRANK L. VALENZUELA, (38004148), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Douglas, Arizona.

ERNEST A. VIEHR, (35546819), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Harper, Ohio.

ALBERT L. BROWN, (38699855), Private, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Ca di Razzone, Italy. Entered military service from Ararillo, Texas.

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ERNEST B. WILLOZZI, (33704851), Private, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Livorno, Italy. Entered military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

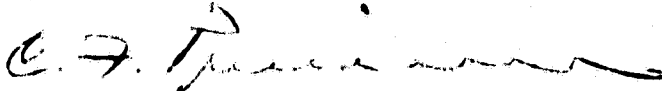
V - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NO. 15, 1945

102 So much of Section VI, General Orders Number 15, this Headquarters, 28 February 1945, as awards a Division Citation to Captain ALBERT SIMONS, Jr., O-1166375, 916th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, is rescinded.

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GENERAL ORDERS  
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- Award of Silver Star . . . . . I
- Award of Bronze Star Medal . . . . . II
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- Amendment to General Orders No. 16, G.S. . . . . IV

I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

THOMAS W. STEWART, (35130826), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company L, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 13 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Technical Sergeant STEWART was advancing with his platoon when it was pinned down by a heavy concentration of machine gun and small arms fire which was coming from an enemy held building. Crawling forward under the covering fire of his comrades, Technical Sergeant STEWART and another man reached the side of the house. Technical Sergeant STEWART threw a grenade through a window but it failed to explode, and one thrown by his companion was immediately thrown back and exploded nearby. Although badly shaken by the explosion, they threw several more grenades into the building, timing them to explode before the enemy could throw them back. Moving cautiously to the door, Technical Sergeant STEWART jumped inside, surprising three of the enemy who quickly surrendered. The grenades had killed five other Germans. In the process of searching the building, he surprised 25 more Germans who also surrendered immediately to him. After sending the prisoners to the rear, Technical Sergeant STEWART reorganized his men and brought such intense fire on the adjacent buildings that the enemy was forced to abandon their positions. Technical Sergeant STEWART'S determined and aggressive actions were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Berea, Kentucky.

RAYMOND L. LAUSTEN, (36403078), Sergeant, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 26 June 1944, near Lariano, Italy. As his company was preparing a defense of newly won positions it was suddenly subjected to intense enemy machine gun fire. Realizing the need for quick action, Sergeant LAUSTEN, without thought for his personal safety, boldly rushed the enemy position. Although the enemy concentrated their fire on him, Sergeant LAUSTEN continued to move forward and with accurate rifle fire killed one of the enemy and wounded another. Disorganized by this bold assault, the Germans abandoned the machine gun and fled, thus eliminating a serious threat to the com-

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pany's position. Sergeant LAUSTEN'S courageous and determined action in the face of enemy fire reflect great credit on himself and on the Infantry of the United States Army. Entered military service from Cooke, Michigan.

## II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

JOHN F. SULLIVAN, (O-1317835), Captain (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 September 1944, on Mt. Freddi, Italy. Entered military service from Passaic, New Jersey.

BURL B. MARTIN, (O-1540767), Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Monongah, West Virginia.

JOHN W. SIMPKINS, (34328669), Technical Sergeant, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Casa Bianca, Italy. Entered military service from Charlotte, Tennessee.

LEO R. ZYKOWSKI, (36617050), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 June 1944, near Tornarella, Italy. Entered military service from Marinette, Wisconsin.

ARTHUR N. BENNETTS, (39402423), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Azusa City, California.

JOHN N. FIELDS, (38067604), Staff Sergeant, 91st Signal Company, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 12 July 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Abernathy, Texas.

CLARENCE E. HARRISON, (34395224), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Cullman, Alabama.

HAROLD F. ESSELENJEGGE, (37394324), Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), 91st Military Police Platoon, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 19 April 1944 to 9 September 1944, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

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CLARENCE R. ALSTON, (39686332), Sergeant (then Private), Company A, 316th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 June 1944, near Velletri, Italy. Entered military service from Porterville, California.

RALPH T. BRYANT, (34447623), Sergeant, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 13 September 1944, near Casa Bianca, Italy. Entered military service from Dewey Rose, Georgia.

IR. E. DHOOGHE, (39093381), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Oswego, Oregon.

HENRY C. REIMER, (37313969), Sergeant, Cannon Company, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 November 1944, near Farns, Italy. Entered military service from New Ula, Minnesota.

ISIDRO E. TAPIA, (38441622), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 October 1944, near Ca Di Sulini, Italy. Entered military service from Caballo, New Mexico.

WILLIAM C. WOODRUFF, (37535906), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Scurperia, Italy. Entered military service from Bevir, Missouri.

HENRY F. DZIEDZINSKI, (34409247), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 7 November 1944, near San Clemente, Italy. Entered military service from Hialeah, Florida.

JOSEPH M. RODRIGUEZ, (39386981), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington.

HOLLY G. HARRISON, (39031129), Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Entered military service from Oakland, California.

RICHARD H. CULBERTSON, (39337988), Private First Class (then Private), Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 October 1944, near Lanina, Italy. Entered military service from Portland, Oregon.

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**MARVIN S. MERRITT**, (34328660), Private First Class (then Private), Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Woodbury, Tennessee.

**LOUIS W. THOMPSON**, (39112282), Private First Class, Company E, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944, near Pescara, Italy. Entered military service from Topeka, Kansas.

**WALTER C. ZUPON**, (28314530), Private First Class, Company B, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Scarperia, Italy. Entered military service from Pequot Lakes, Minnesota.

**HAROLD F. VINCENT**, (34871873), Private, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 November 1944, near La Guarda, Italy. Entered military service from Pascagoula, Mississippi.

### III- COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named individuals are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

**VERNON A. JOHNSON**, (W-2119544), Warrant Officer Junior Grade, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 1 May 1944 to 1 March 1945, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Snyder, Texas.

**JOHN LIEHL, Jr.**, (36271810), Technical Sergeant, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 10 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**JACK M. NISBETT**, (38060000), Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 12 July 1944 to 11 March 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Fluvanna, Texas.

**ALVIN J. PATE**, (39113394), Sergeant, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 10 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Marin City, California.

**VICTOR E. FITZPATRICK**, (32776154), Sergeant (then Corporal), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 24 October 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Bayonne, New Jersey.

**GEORGE F. RESELE**, (33681302), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 10 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Sharon, Pennsylvania.

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JOHN R. MAYS, Jr., (37351767), Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 24 October 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Lyons, Kansas.

FRANCESCO FRANCIOSA, (31363901), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 26 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Malden, Massachusetts.

MARVIN P. HUELS, (36358308), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 26 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Morton Grove, Illinois.

JOSEPH D. JORDAN, (38532148), Private First Class (then Private), Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 12 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

WILLIAM A. SCHMINDER, (37573755), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 10 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

WILLIAM W. SMITH, (33047118), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 10 October 1944, near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Montebello, Virginia.

HERBERT W. FRANCIS, (36672340), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 26 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Danville, Illinois.

EMILIO C. MESSINA, (32991599), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 26 December 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Brooklyn, New York.

GEARL W. MEUSHAW, (33904163), Private, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 24 October 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Baltimore, Maryland.

IV - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NO. 16, U.S.

So much of Section II, General Orders No. 16, this Headquarters, as pertaining to ALFRED AKERS, 37231616, Sergeant (then Private First Class), Co E, 363d Infantry, as reads: "AWARD OF SILVER STAR", is amended to read: "AWARD OF SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)", and add: Next of kin: Miss Ruth Clemons (widow) Iron Gates, Joplin, Missouri.

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So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 16, this Headquarters, as pertains to IVY FRENCH, (34328775), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company E, 363d Infantry, United States Army, is amended to read: IVIE FRENCH, (34328775), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company E, 363d Infantry, United States Army.

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I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following named personnel

GEORGE J. BRUEHL, (O-1317754), First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 June 1944, near Montieri, Italy. During an attack, Lieutenant BRUEHL and a squad of men were given the mission to cut a road used by the enemy and establish a road block. After he had placed his men in position Lieutenant BRUEHL observed two enemy on the road. He immediately crept forward and with accurate fire killed one and wounded the other. When an enemy truck approached he directed fire on it, killing two of the enemy and forcing the other to abandon the vehicle. Later, when he observed six Germans attempting to move an anti-tank gun, Lieutenant BRUEHL directed an intense volume of fire on them. Soon after, the enemy brought a tank forward and placed heavy machine gun and direct tank fire in Lieutenant BRUEHL'S position. Disregarding this intense fire, Lieutenant BRUEHL directed his men to fire anti-tank grenades which forced the tank to withdraw. His gallant and determined action disrupted the enemy's communications and forced them to withdraw. Lieutenant BRUEHL'S aggressiveness, combat skill and exemplary leadership reflects great credit on himself and on the American Soldier. Entered military service from Shiocton, Wisconsin.

GILDO R. YEPEZ, (56682955), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 7 March 1945, near Ca di Rasone, Italy. Private First Class YEPEZ and two other men established a listening post 400 yards in advance of the company outpost. Visibility was very poor due to rain and snow. Upon hearing a strange noise, Private First Class YEPEZ and one of his companions went forward to investigate. Two hundred yards from their post they came upon a trench which led to a German bunker. One German was standing in the doorway of the emplacement and the two men opened fire on him. As the wounded German fell, another appeared at the side of the bunker, the men immediately shifted their fire to him. When he also fell, the two men boldly charged the position and threw two hand grenades inside. By this time

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all the surrounding enemy emplacements were aroused and directed machine gun, small arms fire and hand grenades at them, forcing the two men to withdraw. The enemy placed machine gun and rifle fire on the route previously traveled by Private First Class YEPEZ and his companion, making it necessary for them to find a new one back to their position. The combat skill, aggressiveness and will to destroy the enemy displayed by Private First Class YEPEZ exemplifies the highest tradition of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chicago, Illinois.

FRANCIS R. PARIS, (31296790), Private First Class, Company I, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 March 1945, near Ca di Rassone, Italy. Private First Class PARIS and two other men established a listening post 400 yards in advance of the company outpost. Visibility was very poor due to rain and snow. Upon hearing a strange noise, Private First Class PARIS and one of his companions went forward to investigate. Two hundred yards from their post they came upon a trench which led to a German bunker. One German was standing in the doorway of the emplacement and the two men opened fire on him. As the wounded German fell, another appeared at the side of the bunker, the men immediately shifted their fire to him. When he also fell, the two men boldly charged the position and threw two hand grenades inside. By this time all the surrounding enemy emplacements were aroused and directed machine gun, small arms fire and hand grenades at them, forcing the two men to withdraw. The enemy placed machine gun and rifle fire on the route previously traveled by Private First Class PARIS and his companion, making it necessary for them to find a new one back to their position. The combat skill, aggressiveness and will to destroy the enemy displayed by Private First Class PARIS exemplifies the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Lawrence, Massachusetts.

STANLEY A. SZAFIARSKI, (36274394), Private First Class, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. During an attack on heavily defended enemy hill positions, Private First Class SZAFIARSKI'S platoon was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Ordered to maneuver to more covered positions, the platoon encountered a barbed wire entanglement covered by fire from an enemy machine gun. Determined to silence the enemy gun, Private First Class SZAFIARSKI voluntarily crawled forward under severe enemy mortar fire to a position only 75 yards from the German gun, from which he could fire effectively. Although he became the target for enemy snipers and machine gunners when he exposed himself, Private First Class SZAFIARSKI, without thought for his personal safety, raised himself and coolly placed an accurate volume of rifle fire on the position, killing the entire German gun crew. As he returned to his platoon he was wounded by sniper fire. Through Private First Class SZAFIARSKI'S gallant and decisive action his platoon was able to maneuver to better positions without suffering casualties. His exceptional courage under fire and unwavering devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and on the United States Army. Entered military service from Rib Lake, Wisconsin.

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II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL (POSTHUMOUS)

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

ADAM GUIDROZ, (38487782), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Casa Bianca, Italy. Entered military service from Mix, Louisiana. Next of kin: Mrs. Lucia Guidroz, (mother), Mix, Louisiana.

ERNEST H. COLUMBUS, (39207317), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 October 1944, near Anconella, Italy. Entered military service from Seattle, Washington. Next of kin: Mr. William Columbus, (father), 361 Hallady Street, Seattle, Washington.

III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named personnel:

JOHN S. MANSFIELD, (O-373030), Major, Infantry, Headquarters 3d Battalion, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 10 September 1944 to 23 December 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Kittanning, Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND A. HUGER, (O-467924), Captain, Medical Corps, Medical Detachment, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 4 July 1944 to 1 March 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from St. Louis, Maryland.

BEN L. SHEPPARD, (O-524426), First Lieutenant, Infantry, Cannon Company, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 September 1944, near Futa Pass, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

DONALD R. KAISER, (O-1540684), Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant), Infantry, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Dubuque, Iowa.

DAVID O. MAC KAY, III, (O-1692950), Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant), Field Artillery, Battery B, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944, near Pallerano, Italy. Entered military service from Provo, Utah.

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RUSSELL B. SCOTT, (0-1540766), Second Lieutenant (then Sergeant), Infantry, Company I, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 10 October 1944, near Livergnano, Italy. Entered military service from Vanceburg, West Virginia.

HUBERT A. SERIGHT, (39122119), Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 July 1944, near Ponsacco, Italy. Entered military service from Berkeley, California.

WOODSON Y. OWEN, (37394036), Staff Sergeant, Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 16 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Pontiac, Missouri.

LOUIS M. BETTI, (39687446), Staff Sergeant, Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 27 September 1944, near Monticelli, Italy. Entered military service from Bakersfield, California.

GENE P. MORRIS, (39136540), Staff Sergeant, Battery A, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 9 September 1944 to 3 March 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Vallejo, California.

STEWART R. LUSK, (35204633), Staff Sergeant, Company A, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17-18 September 1944, near Casal, Italy. Entered military service from Herndon, West Virginia.

LOWRY B. FARING, (36881300), Sergeant (then Private First Class), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Di Sotto, Italy. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

ARMAND J. DUPRE, (31405246), Sergeant (then Private), Company F, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 September 1944, near Mt. Beni, Italy. Entered military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

WARREN C. JORDAN, (34378682), Corporal, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 10 June 1944 to 9 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Michie, Tennessee.

CLAYTON G. MOSELEY, (39191462), Corporal, Headquarters Battery, 346th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat from 11 September 1944 to 22 October 1944, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from South Bend, Washington.

LYLE E. STEWART, (36536249), Corporal, 91st Quartermaster Company, 91st Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations from 10 July 1944 to 1 March 1945, in the Italian Campaign. Entered military service from Detroit, Michigan.

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EPHRIAM J. SINGLETON, (34438404), Corporal, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Mount Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Shelby, North Carolina.

LLOY G. LEECH, (39543383), Corporal (then Private), Battery B, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944, near Pallerano, Italy. Entered military service from Redondo Beach, California.

LESTER RUPP, (39321440), Corporal (then Private First Class), Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 12 November 1944, near La Fabbrica, Italy. Entered military service from Canby, Oregon.

NOAL D. MC CLURE, (34328798), Technician Fifth Grade, Battery B, 348th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 9 October 1944, near Pallerano, Italy. Entered military service from Cottage Grove, Tennessee.

WILLIAM W. TURNER, (38602946), Private First Class (then Private), Company K, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944, near Anconella, Italy. Entered military service from North Little Rock, Arkansas.

WILBUR F. MORGAN, Jr., (33898883), Private First Class (then Private), Company K, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 4 October 1944, near Orzale, Italy. Entered military service from Crisfield, Maryland.

ERNEST C. BETCHER, (39614159), Private First Class, Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 15 September 1944, near Mount Calvi, Italy. Entered military service from Kalispell, Montana.

FREDERICK J. PRIER, (36538387), Private First Class, Company M, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 October 1944 near La Fortuna, Italy. Entered military service from Saginaw, Michigan.

JAMES GUIDA, (37704493), Private First Class, Company B, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 September 1944, near Vallappero, Italy. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

BENJAMIN A. LA PORTE, (39112541), Private First Class, Company A, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 September 1944, near Futa Pass, Italy. Entered military service from San Jose, California.

HUGH W. NEILL, (39618256), Private First Class (then Private), Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 September 1944, near Necchi, Italy. Entered military service from Windham, Montana.

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ANTHONY P. DE PAROLIS, (31379928), Private First Class (then Private), Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944, near Anconella, Italy. Entered military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

RAYMOND K. SNIDER, (37494173), Private First Class (then Private), Cannon Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 October 1944, near Anconella, Italy. Entered military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

HORTON L. KINDER, (38344787), Private First Class (then Private), Company K, 363d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 8 July 1944, near Cecina, Italy. Entered military service from Perryton, Texas.

#### IV - AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 345, 23 August 1944, the Division Commander has awarded the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque to the following unit:

SERVICE COMPANY, 363D INFANTRY, 91ST INFANTRY DIVISION, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks in Italy, for the period 4 July 1944 to 4 January 1945.

#### V - COMMENDATIONS

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following named personnel are commended and hereby awarded Division Citations:

WILLIAM M. NEWBOLD, (O-1695632), First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) Medical Administrative Corps, Medical Detachment, 361st Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 10 November 1944, near La Guardia, Italy. Entered military service from Los Angeles, California.

CARMINE TOMACELLI, (6955833), Staff Sergeant, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty from 1 May 1944 to 15 March 1945, in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Plymouth, New Hampshire.

LEONARD E. CURRIER, (39322258), Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 4 November 1944, near Pastempi, Italy. Entered military service from Lebanon, Oregon.

CAMERON VANDERHENST, (36895582), Private First Class, Company I, 362d Infantry, United States Army. For outstanding performance of duty on 16 February 1945, near Dol Vanto, Italy. Entered military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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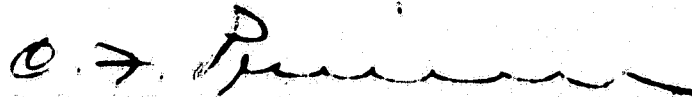
VI - AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS NO. 34, 1944

So much of Section III, General Orders No. 34, this Headquarters, 10 October 1944, as awards a Bronze Star Medal to Master Sergeant CAREL S. BLASS, 6247053, Headquarters Battery, 91st Infantry Division Artillery, United States Army, is rescinded, a higher award (Legion of Merit) having been granted by the Theater Commander for the same period and activities.

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