

first aid to the wounded man, Sergeant KJELLBERG intrepidly carried him to a cover over mine (gravel) which was swept by enemy fire. Completing his life-saving mission Sergeant KJELLBERG returned to his squad and led it to the company area under the heavy fire. Sergeant KJELLBERG'S great courage in battle reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRANK BENTLEY, 35696268, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Vockingenhausen, Germany. When his platoon encountered heavy flanking fire from entrenched positions, Sergeant BENTLEY crossed a coverless field by himself to engage the dug-in Germans with rifle fire, moving and firing rapidly and relentlessly, Sergeant BENTLEY forced the surrender of an officer and four men. His single-handed assault eliminated the menace of a flank attack on his platoon. The enormous fortitude and brilliant combat skill displayed on this occasion by Sergeant BENTLEY merit great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WILLIAM A. JOLLEN JR, O235125, Captain, INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, and Rheinhausen, Germany. As commanding officer of Company A, Captain JOLLEN displayed consistently superior leadership and great personal courage during the period 2 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. In the initial assault on Fraulautern, in the advance to the Rhine, and in the battle of the Fahr pocket, Captain JOLLEN'S unceasing concern for the safety of his men and his bold, skillful deployment of Company A contributed outstandingly to the great combat success achieved by his organization. The heroic initiative and determined devotion to duty given by him during an arduous period of battle exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

JETHUR L. BARTLETT, O1323276, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. After leading his platoon in a successful attack on one pillbox, First Lieutenant BARTLETT intrepidly moved across an open shell-pounded field to assault a second. Twelve members of the pillbox immediately surrendered in the face of the determined attack, but one tenacious enemy soldier, refusing to surrender, bolted himself in a gun compartment from which he was directing fierce mortar and artillery fire. Quickly examining engineer soldiers, who blasted open the steel door, First Lieutenant BARTLETT dashed into the compartment and captured the stubbornly-resisting German despite the explosive gases which overcame him as he made a thorough search of the bunker. His valiant leadership and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on First Lieutenant BARTLETT and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOSIAH R. BROWN SR, 37742160, Corporal, INF, Company D, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. During the period 20 November 1944 to 15 April 1945 Corporal BROWN performed his varied, hazardous assignments with consistent initiative and courage. In the assault on St. Barbara, after wire communications were almost totally disrupted by artillery

barrages, he made his way through the continuing fire time after time to deliver messages from the platoon command to the machine gun sections. While on reconnaissance for new gun positions in Freulautern, he was frequently in the front lines, skillfully selecting positions which enabled Company D to furnish effective support to the rifle companies. Corporal BROWN'S heroic, devoted service during a long period of combat reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

CAMEL JORDAN JR, 3533354, Private First Class, INF, Company D, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. He courageously driving his jeep through hostile artillery and rifle fire to deliver essential supplies to his machine gun platoon. Private First Class JORDAN distinguished himself by his determined, intrepid performance of duty during the period 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. In Freulautern, after driving his vehicle under intense enemy shelling to within a block of the front lines, he boldly carried large quantities of ammunition and rations the remaining distance by hand. His resourceful, courageous actions under fire exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class JORDAN. Entered military service from Ohio.

EARL C. KIRCHNER, 33697029, Private First Class, INF, Company E, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. As mortar gunner and acting squad leader, Private First Class KIRCHNER contributed outstandingly to the combat success of Company E during the period 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Maintaining a consistently high degree of efficiency in the performance of his duty under hazardous conditions, in Freulautern from 7 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, he voluntarily assisted in the evacuation of several wounded comrades from the battlefield and in the delivery of sorely needed ammunition and supplies under heavy enemy fire. Private First Class KIRCHNER'S fearless, inspiring devotion to duty throughout a difficult phase of combat reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

FRANCIS J. WALTON, 37015783, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 November 1944, and 3 December 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Staff Sergeant WALTON consistently demonstrated a high order of resourcefulness and courage while performing successively the duties of light machine gunner, squad leader, and section leader in the bitter fighting participated in by Company E during six months of almost constant contact with the enemy. Although wounded at Muppy, France on 16 November 1944, while assisting his squad eliminate stubborn sniper and machine gun nests, he heroically refused evacuation and continued leading his men in the fierce action until his company's mission was accomplished. Staff Sergeant WALTON'S bold, resolute leadership and high personal courage reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

POSTER HORTON, 34393404, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the attack on the powerful forts encircling Metz, Private First Class HORTON dis-

played determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with an entangled mass of barbed wire which completely halted the advance, he replaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, his heroic, resolute actions contributed outstandingly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting great credit on Private First Class HORTON and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

GEORGE L. COOPER, 34505371, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the attack on the powerful forts encircling Metz, Private First Class COOPER displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with an entangled mass of barbed wire which completely halted the advance, he replaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, his heroic, resolute actions contributed outstandingly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting great credit on Private First Class COOPER and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

HOSLEY E. MASK, 34392995, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the attack on the powerful forts encircling Metz, Private First Class MASK displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with an entangled mass of barbed wire which completely halted the advance, he replaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, his heroic, resolute actions contributed outstandingly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting great credit on Private First Class MASK and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

SPENCER W. SPILLARD, 34390226, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the attack on the powerful forts encircling Metz, Private First Class SPILLARD displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with an entangled mass of barbed wire which completely halted the advance, he replaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, his heroic, resolute actions contributed outstandingly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting great credit on Private First Class SPILLARD and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

JAMES E. BOND JR., 35503975, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the attack on the powerful forts encircling Metz, Private First Class BOND displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied

the first assault wave. Confronted with an entangled mass of barbed wire which completely halted the advance, he replaced his comrades skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, his heroic, resolute actions contributed substantially to the success achieved by the First Battalion, well earning great credit in private First Class BOLL and in the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

EDWARD A. SHELTON, 1612480, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany, when an intense artillery mortar barrage pounded an advance supply and ammunition distributing point, Private First Class SHELTON unhesitatingly crossed an open field still being shelled to render first aid to an officer wounded in the barrage. First lifting a heavy branch of a shattered tree off the fallen officer, Private First Class SHELTON, assisted by three comrades, carried the wounded man to a covered position where he was given immediate treatment by a medical officer. His courageous and timely actions in saving the life of an officer exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class SHELTON. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOHN W. HUNT, 36354143, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Augustdorf, Germany. Although separated from his platoon during an attack near Metz on 8 November 1944, Private First Class HUNT quickly emplaced his mortar and, after reporting his position to Company B's command post, remained throughout many hours of heavy enemy shelling to place accurate fire on menacing enemy concentrations. Later, on 2 April 1945, after suggesting the conversion of his group into a machine gun squad when additional fire power was acutely needed, Private First Class HUNT performed brilliantly as gunner. The highly effective fire delivered by Private First Class HUNT and his comrades furnished cover for a troublesome left flank, enabling Company B to throw its full strength into the main thrust, which cleared Augustdorf quickly and with a minimum of loss. His skillful, fearless actions reflect great credit on Private First Class HUNT and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR  
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SECTION III - AWARD OF COLLEGE CLUSTER

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

BENJAMIN F. BALDRIDGE, 35870140, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oedinghausen, Germany, when his squad leader was cut down by hostile machine gun fire, Private First Class BALDRIDGE moved forward and with no regard for his own safety covered the wounded soldier's evacuation with automatic rifle fire. Then, advancing again, he began a relentless, single-handed assault on the machine gun position. Firing his automatic rifle with powerful accuracy, he silenced the enemy weapon and captured nine Germans. His intrepid actions under heavy enemy fire are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class BALDRIDGE. Entered military service from Virginia.

WILLIAM C. BARBER, 38687536, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Frenlaudem, Germany. Boldly assaulting the first of two machine guns which flanked a pillbox, Private First Class BARBER grenaded the enemy position, killing one German, wounding two and silencing the weapon. Firing an automatic rifle rapidly and accurately, he rushed the second machine gun position, silencing it also. Private First Class BARBER'S fearless actions in the face of intense enemy fire resulted in the complete elimination of the pillbox' protection, facilitating its capture shortly thereafter. His courageous conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

ROBERT G. HADGERAVE, 0327450, Captain, INF, Company I, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. By his own gallant and aggressive example Captain HADGERAVE inspired the men of Company I with an indomitable determination to reduce enemy resistance in strong positions along the west bank of the Moselle River. Although seriously wounded, he remained with his troops in the thick of a fierce engagement until his evacuation was ordered by the battalion commander. The staunch, fearless leadership given by Captain HADGERAVE is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Texas.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

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JOHN L. BAXTER SR, 3118946, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

CHARLES F. BILLETT, 01117104, Second Lieutenant, CE, Company B, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 March 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

JAMES H. LALICH, 37448042, Technician Fourth Grade, CE, Company A, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

FRANK J. JAHM, 16093460, Staff Sergeant, CE, Company C, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CHARLES F. LINDBERG, 19015912, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Oregon.

ROBERT G. SMITH, 39285322, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

CARL V. MAZUGA, 36359386, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

GLENN J. THURMON, 37287469, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JOSEPH L. GROSS, 38020358, Master Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

IVAN MC KEMMA, 17032266, Technician Third Grade, LD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 5 April 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

JOHN A. JONES, 01167926, Captain, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Florida.

PRESLEY K. HOFFMAN, 37213256, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

ALFRED H. KRAS, 0376086, Captain, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

G. W. WILEY, 6249166, First Sergeant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 5 December 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN S. WRIGHT, 37209765, Sergeant, MD, Company B, \*\*\*\*Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 December 1944. Entered military service from Missouri.

ELMER A. LUECK, 36247333, Corporal, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 20 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

WILLIAM K. YOUNGBLOOD, 01165808, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

W. C. HUTCHENS, 35038856, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 20 February 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOHN F. WHITELY JR, 01180747, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JACOB W. THAMES, 35438367, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

CHARL D. BRIDENBACH, 35362441, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

HERBERT D. MARSH, 32579179, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

III. Award of Oak Leaf Cluster: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

KENNETH E. CHRISTINSON, 16005079, Master Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

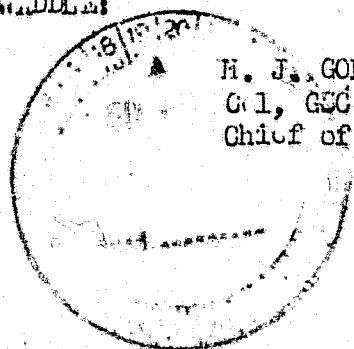
FRANCIS J. ROBERTS, 024820, Captain, FA, Headquarters, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

TOBIAS H. PHILBIN, 0389385, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JASON L. MICHIELO, 0328667, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

RAYMOND F. KROERING, 0391139, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

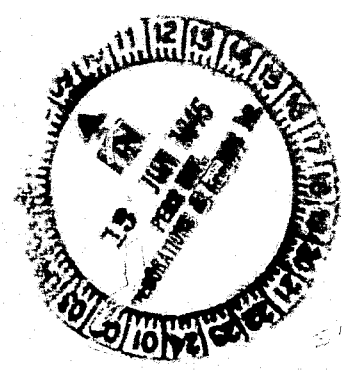
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SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, HQ, Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

IVAN A. SOBIEG, 57422359, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. When his platoon leader was killed during an attack near Duren, Staff Sergeant SOBIEG immediately took command and pressed the assault vigorously. In the face of heavy machine gun fire, he boldly advanced, firing, on a hostile strongpoint, with grenades and rifle fire he charged the enemy position by himself, killing three Germans, capturing three and eliminating the machine gun position. Staff Sergeant SOBIEG's fearless action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Iowa.

ROBERT J. ZHURIDGE, 12214912, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. When fierce machine gun fire from a position on high ground delayed his platoon's attack, Private First Class ZHURIDGE assaulted the hostile emplacement by himself, firing his automatic rifle rapidly. His bold raid in the face of heavy enemy fire ended only when the German machine gun was silent and four dead Germans lay beside their weapon. The courage of his action reflects great credit on Private First Class ZHURIDGE and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

PATRICK W. MACGULLY, 42177345, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Corlinghausen, Germany. When his platoon's advance was hindered by severe machine gun and rifle fire, Private First Class MACGULLY intrepidly advanced on the enemy position, firing his rifle. From within a few yards of the hostile emplacement he hurled grenades whose strike killed three Germans, wounded two and destroyed a machine gun. Another machine gun took up Private First Class MACGULLY'S bold challenge. Fearlessly he moved toward it and with accurate fire silenced it. His gallant prowess in battle reflects great credit on Private First Class MACGULLY and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

CHARLES S. MC KELLOP, 33680933, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. Confronted by intense fire, Sergeant MC KELLOP marched, firing steadily, on a German machine gun position. Sergeant MC KELLOP killed three members of the crew and silenced the weapon. Later that same day, Sergeant MC KELLOP and another soldier were wounded during a hostile

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mortal barrage. Leaving his comrades to safety, sergeant MC KELLOP administered first aid. Then, disclaiming his own injury, he rejoined his platoon, fighting with it until the objective was taken. Sergeant MC KELLOP'S intrinsic devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

CLINTON E. HALLIS, 34358113, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken-Löden, Germany. Receiving fire from an eight-man enemy patrol, Private First Class HALLIS boldly returned the fire with his rifle and hurled several grenades at the Germans. Outfighting his numerically superior adversary, Private First Class HALLIS killed four Germans, wounded one, and captured the other three. Returning with his prisoners, Private First Class HALLIS encountered fire from another hostile machine gun emplacement. Employing his rifle skillfully, Private First Class HALLIS silenced the German weapon. The fearlessly competent performance exhibited by Private First Class HALLIS on this occasion is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from South Carolina.

W. V. WITT, 16772730, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken-Löden, Germany, when he observed three Germans advancing on his outpost. Private First Class WITT opened fire with his rifle, wounding all three. Simultaneously, machine gun fire raked the street. Private First Class WITT inched his way toward the building from which the machine gun fired. In the face of the voracious sweeping fire, he hurled three grenades into the position, destroying the machine gun and eliciting the surrender of the five-man crew. The courage and audacity displayed by Private First Class WITT are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from West Virginia.

CARL F. SCHMIDT, 36247569, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hrefeld, Germany. Near his company's gun position, Technician Fifth Grade SCHMIDT'S truck was hit by a enemy shell and caught fire. Seizing a fire-extinguisher, Technician Fifth Grade SCHMIDT fought the blaze. As the flames licked out toward the trailer, ingesting a load of one hundred and fifty rifle ammunition, Technician Fifth Grade SCHMIDT disconnected the trailer and moved it away. In regaining the imminent danger to his person, Technician Fifth Grade SCHMIDT fought the fire alone until the arrival of other men with whom the fire was extinguished. Technician Fifth Grade SCHMIDT'S courage reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

REGINALD O'CONNELL, 35739964, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hachenhausen, Germany. In the midst of fierce fighting, Private First Class O'CONNELL rescued two wounded soldiers and, after administering first aid, directed their evacuation. Later, four of Private First Class O'CONNELL'S comrades were wounded by German snipers. Three were in one building. The fourth was in a building forty yards across a fire-raked road. After treating the first three, Private First Class O'CONNELL ran a gauntlet of enemy fire to reach the fourth wounded man and efficiently administered first aid to him. Private First Class O'CONNELL'S heroic conduct exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical

Department and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Maryland.

JOSEPH J. HUGGIER, O1295275, Captain, IIF, Company C, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hain, Germany. A platoon of Company C was halted by fierce enemy fire which inflicted severe casualties. After several reconnaissance under the hail of German bullets, Captain HUGGIER guided a tank destroyer forward and in the face of deliberate sniper fire calmly organized a powerful assault on the hostile strongpoint. Buttressed by the tank destroyer and inspired by Captain HUGGIER'S fearless actions, the platoon swept forward to overrun the entrenched Germans and promptly capture the objective. The gallant, resolute leadership given by Captain HUGGIER is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ARNEST L. DEWELL, SR. O3006179, Second Lieutenant (Then Technical Sergeant), IIF, Company B, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout this period the courageous leadership given by Second Lieutenant DEWELL was decisive in the success achieved by Company B. On 29 November 1944, when his platoon was reduced to five men, Second Lieutenant DEWELL organized a new platoon from untrained replacements and on 10 December 1944 led it across the Saar River to attack strong enemy positions at Kallorf. Inspired by their leader's valiant example, the men fought with veteran skill and tenacity, reflecting great credit on Second Lieutenant DEWELL whose vice and vigorous leadership is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

JOSEPH F. BURKETT JR., O1299370, First Lieutenant, IIF, Company F, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France. First Lieutenant BURKETT'S machine gun platoon, in close support of assault troops, came under a violent artillery barrage. A shell demolished an observation post, killing one man and burying First Lieutenant BURKETT under rubble. Almost blinded by concussion, First Lieutenant BURKETT dragged himself over the debris and, guided by his messenger, displaced his platoon forward. The completely faithful devotion to duty characteristic of First Lieutenant BURKETT'S service is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT W. MULLINS, O2613657, First Lieutenant, IIF, Company F, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, and Saarbrücken-Münster, Germany. When the platoons suffered severe casualties in attacking a strongly-defended pillbox at Saarbrücken-Münster, First Lieutenant MULLINS led his own platoon forward by a covered route, approaching the pillbox from the rear. First Lieutenant MULLINS crawled forward with a bazooka. Alone, in the face of heavy enemy fire, he fired into the embrasures, silencing the enemy's fire. In this engagement First Lieutenant MULLINS was wounded, but he refused medical treatment until the German pillbox had been neutralized. His gallant devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on First Lieutenant MULLINS. Entered military service from Georgia.

11. WARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of R 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LEWIS F. BLANCH JR., 3120888, Corporal, CAV, \*\*\*Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 19 March 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout five months of combat Corporal BLANCH fearlessly performed his duties as squad leader on patrol in enemy territory and as point jeep corporal in mounted combat. Through his courageous initiative and resourcefulness in the face of enemy fire, he contributed greatly to the successful operations of his unit in combat. His determined, heroic devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Corporal BLANCH. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

THOMAS F. MORGAN, 31195136, Sergeant (then Corporal), CAV, \*\*\*Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 19 March 1945, in France, Holland, and Germany. Throughout five months of combat Sergeant MORGAN fearlessly performed his duties as squad leader on patrols in enemy territory and as point jeep corporal in mounted combat. Through his courageous initiative and resourcefulness in the face of enemy fire, he contributed greatly to the successful operations of his unit in combat. His determined, heroic devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Sergeant MORGAN. Entered military service from Connecticut.

HAROLD L. TOUSSAINT, 36060958, Sergeant, CAV, \*\*\*Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 6 April 1945, in France, Holland, and Germany. While performing his duties as section leader, Sergeant TOUSSAINT was wounded prior to the battle for Metz but returned to lead his men intrepidly in the great assault. Later, Sergeant TOUSSAINT was wounded a second time when his jeep was destroyed in a barrage pounding the Saar bridgehead. Returning to his section, he fought determinedly with his comrades until a third wound was sustained, on 6 April 1945. His heroic perseverance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Sergeant TOUSSAINT. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES W. SLUSSEK, 01167225, Captain, FA, \*\*\*Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, and Metz, France. In the advance from Thionville to Metz, Captain SLUSSEK distinguished himself by the valor with which he led two reconnaissance platoons in the collection of enemy intelligence. Under heavy fire, and on several occasions ahead of leading infantry elements, he obtained information of great value. His bold reconnaissance of hostile gun positions resulted in the destruction of three fortified areas and the capture of many prisoners. Captain SLUSSEK's heroic achievements reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH C. KOWALSKI, 20254405, Sergeant, FA, Reconnaissance Company, \*\*\* Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Berglion, Germany. While a reconnaissance determining the roads to be used by a tank destroyer platoon supporting an infantry advance, Sergeant KOWALSKI was crossing enemy-held

territory when he met sweeping fire from a machine gun emplaced in a hedgerow, quickly covering the entire area with fire, Sergeant KOWALSKI maneuvered his vehicle to the left to outflank the emplacement completely, enabling his men to capture twenty-six prisoners and eliminate a genuine hostile position. His intrepidity, courageous actions are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

MICHAEL J. COLANGELO, 32298576, Corporal, INF (Armored), Company B, \*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 July 1944 to 14 April, in France and Germany. Performing with heroic skill as a tank gunner throughout nine months of combat, Corporal COLANGELO, on one occasion, left his tank while ten enemy planes strafed the area and ran two hundred yards to a wrecked artillery division plane, brought down by the furious attack. Fearlessly disregarding his own safety, Corporal COLANGELO quickly removed the seriously wounded pilot and observer from the plane and, securing an ambulance, effected their evacuation. His valiant devotion to duty over a long period of combat reflects great credit on Corporal COLANGELO and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALFONSO GIALDO, 51064551, Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company C, \*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wehl, Germany. In an attack on the Wehl airport, two tanks from Sergeant GIALDO's company were attached to a rifle company. Directing his tank to move ahead of the advancing infantry, Sergeant GIALDO roared across the landing strip, delivering such devastating fire on emplacements and buildings that the enemy defenders were completely immobilized. Moving in behind the armor, the riflemen captured two hundred Germans without loss. Sergeant GIALDO's outstanding courage and combat skill reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

AOLP L. FILLARD, 36119951, Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company C, \*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wehl, Germany. In an attack on the Wehl airport, two tanks from Sergeant FILLARD's company were attached to a rifle company. Directing his tank to move ahead of the advancing infantry, Sergeant FILLARD roared across the landing strip, delivering such devastating fire on emplacements and buildings that the enemy defenders were completely immobilized. Moving in behind the armor, the riflemen captured two hundred Germans without loss. Sergeant FILLARD's outstanding courage and combat skill reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

DOMINIC L. DAVIS, 34724653, Private First Class, INF, (Armored), Company B, \*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 July 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France and Germany. Private First Class DAVIS served courageously as a loader and, later, as a tank driver during many months of combat. Wounded near Colmar, France, he heroically continued performing his duties until his evacuation was ordered by a medical officer. During the attack on West Tunnel, he observed five ambushed Germans armed with bazookas. Warning the tank commander of their presence, he skillfully swung the tank around into position and the five enemy soldiers were quickly eliminated. Private First Class DAVIS' heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and

on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

JOHN J. CAMPBELL, 37029501, First Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company B, \*\*\*Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 July 1944 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Mississippi.

TEDDY R. FAXON, 35773319, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, (Armored), Company B, \*\*\*Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

CLIFFORD W. FERRIS, 37032727, Technical Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company B, \*\*\*Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

CHARLES L. FITZMAN, 34230925, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, (Armored), Company B, \*\*\*Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

GEORGE L. ZINER, 32070322, Staff Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company B, \*\*\*Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

RENE L. MC ITOM, 0419093, Captain, FA, Headquarters, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 February 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

HERB V. CONNOLLY, 3260990, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

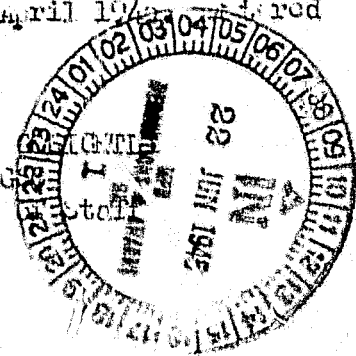
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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act (OO-45, as amended) and Memorandum No. 32, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

GEORGE RAUTKE, 36245587, Corporal, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Eilsberg, Germany. When his radio was damaged by eighty-eight millimeter shelling, Corporal RAUTKE without orders left his observation post and made his way under heavy fire to an infantry battalion headquarters, quickly obtaining the equipment necessary to repair the radio, he returned over the hazardous route, within an hour, Corporal RAUTKE restored the damaged net to operating condition and reestablished the vital communications with his battalion's fire direction center. His heroic and skillful performance on this occasion reflects distinct credit on Corporal RAUTKE and on the military service, entered military service from Wisconsin.

WELDON W. MULLIKEN, 36356993, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Sarrelautern, Germany. Corporal MULLIKEN distinguished himself repeatedly by his bold, determined actions during an arduous combat period. On one occasion at Sarrelautern, on 23 November 1944, he was assisting an artillery liaison officer conduct mine missions when they were fired on by two snipers in a wooded area two hundred yards away. Voluntarily proceeding under fire toward the hostile position, he caused the snipers to flee by his well-aimed rifle fire. Corporal MULLIKEN'S conspicuous devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GILSON L. MC CARTER, 39075563, Private First Class, MD, Company B, \*\*\*Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Lisdorf, Germany. During the Metz and Sarrelautern offensives, Private First Class MC CARTER repeatedly exposed himself to hostile artillery, mortar and small arms fire while serving as a litter bearer with all side rifle companies. On several occasions, he evacuated casualties across the Moselle and Saar rivers in assault boats under fire, making possible prompt treatment of the wounded. His courage and skill under hazardous conditions exemplifies high traditions of the Medical Department and reflects great credit on Private First Class MC CARTER. Entered military service from Missouri.

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GILBERT KOWITZ, 37286398, Technician, Fifth Grade, CE, Company C, \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. On the night of 3 December 1944, Technician Fifth Grade KOWITZ twice braved the furious barrage pounding the newly captured Saarlautern bridge to deliver vital supplies to engineer troops on the east bank. During the ten days following, he drove across the fire-swept span repeatedly supplying engineer soldiers in the bridgehead with rations and explosives. His courageous, devoted performance of duty under heavy fire exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Technician, Fifth Grade KOWITZ. Entered military service from North Dakota.

EDWARD G. MROTEK, 16992127, Staff Sergeant, CE, Company C, \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 January 1945 to 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. For three weeks motivated by the constant threat of enemy artillery, Staff Sergeant MROTEK directed his platoon in the construction of a fixed bridge across the Saar river to supplement the captured bridge. Although the task was rendered unusually difficult by the alternate freezing and thawing of the river, by the continual change of water level and by the frequent barrages which covered the area, Staff Sergeant MROTEK'S bold, skillful leadership insured the success of the undertaking. His courageous, determined actions reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant MROTEK and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

MARSHALL S. STAFFORNS, 31119980, Private First Class, INF, (Amcred), Company B, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 July 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving with heroic distinction as a bow gunner during fierce actions at La Haye des Bois, Frest and in the Hurtgen Forest, Private First Class STAFFORNS assisted valiantly in the clearing of the Ruhr pocket, when his company was attached to an infantry battalion. In the attack on Ost Turnen, on 6 April 1945, his alertness in repeatedly spotting and destroying enemy bazooka positions and machine gun nests greatly facilitated the infantrymen's advance. His aggressive, resolute actions exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class STAFFORNS. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

WILLIAM L. CAMERON, 39579295, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving as an automatic rifleman, Private First Class CAMERON contributed boldly to the successful accomplishment of many missions during this period. At Metz, when his platoon was halted by accurate sniper fire, Private First Class CAMERON was one of a dauntless group who closed in on the hostile positions, killing or wounding all the snipers. Near Lutzerath, he intrepidly crossed terrain raked by enemy fire in order to administer first aid to a wounded comrade. His high combat skill and fearless devotion to duty have brought great credit on Private First Class CAMERON and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

HAROLD L. BOGGER, 37288659, Technical Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company F, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 October 1944 to 2 April 1945, in France and Germany. During this arduous period of combat, Technical Sergeant BOGGER served successively as assistant squad leader, squad leader, acting platoon sergeant and



platoon sergeant, consistently performing his duties with a high degree of efficiency. When a strong enemy patrol attacked the building occupied by his platoon in Fraulautern, inflicting severe casualties, Technical Sergeant LOGCOCK rallied his comrades and led them in driving off the Germans in furious fighting. His fearless leadership and resourceful devotion to duty reflect great credit on Technical Sergeant LOGCOCK and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

HENRY H. OLWIG, 3624955, Private First Class, INF, Company N, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. During this arduous period of combat Private First Class OLWIG repeatedly distinguished himself by his exceptionally courageous actions under fire. In Hamibois Wood, near his battalion's supply area, he went forward to assist heroically in the evacuation of the wounded. At Sarraltroff, he drove his jeep under heavy enemy fire on seven successive nights to carry essential food, water and ammunition to the front lines. Private First Class OLWIG'S fearless and skillful performance of duty is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

BERNARD D. SAMS, 35876789, Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Sarraltroff-Rouch, Germany. In order to hold a building on which the defense of his company depended, Sergeant SAMS, permitting himself neither sleep nor rest, maintained a constant vigilance on enemy movement and inspired his squad with an invincible determination to destroy all hostile attempts to seize the building. In the midst of the most severe fighting, Sergeant SAMS moved from post to post, encouraging and advising his comrades, regardless of the great power of the enemy fire. His tenacious devotion to duty and immense personal sacrifice reflect high credit on Sergeant SAMS and exemplify the valiant traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RUSSELL BUTTERWORTH, 35927477, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Private First Class BUTTERWORTH contributed courageously to the successful accomplishment of many missions during the period 18 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Near Lanerstaen, Germany, on 31 March 1945, he observed eleven Germans in a trench which protected a roadblock. Advancing fearlessly, Private First Class BUTTERWORTH forced the hostile group to surrender. Then, utilizing the information which he obtained from his prisoners, he led his platoon through the road block to capture another group of Germans a short distance away. Private First Class BUTTERWORTH'S heroic achievements reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ALCOCK W. PASEL, 37287519, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company G, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. In performing successively the duties of rifleman and squad leader Staff Sergeant PASEL contributed courageously to the successful accomplishment of many missions during the period 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. At Fraulautern, Germany, on 11 December 1944, he participated in a patrol which intrepidly investigated enemy pillboxes along the Saar River, bringing back information which enabled his

company to capture seven fortified line fortifications with a minimum of casualties. Staff Sergeant P. S. LaBorie's achievements in a long and highly period of combat reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

WALTER V. KRAM, 3451647, Technical Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hiltersweide, Germany. Fierce fire from a hostile strong point obstructed the advance of a convoy near Hiltersweide. Ordering his men to deliver trench fire, Technical Sergeant KRAM, accompanied by another soldier, moved toward a building which constituted the enemy position. Firing rapidly into the building, Technical Sergeant KRAM killed four German officers who surrendered. His intrepid action greatly facilitated the complete reduction of the strong point, reflecting high credit on Technical Sergeant KRAM and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

WALTER RUDKE, 372 3995, Sergeant, INF, Company M, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. Under heavy artillery and intense small arms fire Sergeant RUDKE with great personal courage collected positions for his heavy machine gun squad and displaced his comrades forward. Their, his expert direction of fire resulted in the disorganization and destruction of large numbers of the enemy. The intrepid leadership which he gave on this occasion is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Sergeant RUDKE. Entered military service from North Dakota.

WILLIAM J. CHANSKY, 36356672, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. With no regard for his own safety Staff Sergeant CHANSKY moved under heavy machine gun and personnel fire to an observation post where he directed devastating mortar fire on enemy troops preparing to launch a counter-attack. Staff Sergeant CHANSKY'S mortar fire inflicted heavy casualties and was greatly instrumental in the subsequent surrender of the German troops. His fearless, skillful conduct is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects immense credit on Staff Sergeant CHANSKY. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM J. HOPKINS JR., 01323930, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. During the bitter fighting at Hamm First Lieutenant HOPKINS repeatedly distinguished himself by the unerring judgment and staunchness with which he led his mortar platoon in dealing decisive blows to enemy concentrations. When our bridgehead was menaced by the possibility of powerful hostile counter-attack, First Lieutenant HOPKINS directed mortar fire which promptly and completely dispelled the threat. His heroic achievements throughout this violent period are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on First Lieutenant HOPKINS. Entered military service from Illinois.

J. P. LUND, 35686330, Corporal (Then Private First Class), INF, Company F, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France, Holland, and

Germany. At Karlshoff Farm, in the face of terrific flak fire, Corporal Dittmanned his mortar and firing with brilliant accuracy completely destroyed the target. This intrepid action was typical of Corporal Dittmann's conduct during the momentous fighting in which his company participated at Thloeville, and in Metz, France, at Gun, Hollan and in Saarlautern, and in Hamm, Germany. His consistent, courageous and skillful performance of duty throughout long and grueling months of combat is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Corporal Dittmann. Entered military service from Kentucky.

LUTHER A. GLINN, 34395310, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Military Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the assault on the forts encircling Metz, Sergeant Glinn displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with barbed wire entanglements which completely halted the advance, he unlaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement, his heroic, resolute actions contributed greatly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting distinct credit on Sergeant Glinn and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

WY C. BECK, 37277534, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Military Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the assault on the forts encircling Metz, Sergeant BECK displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with barbed wire entanglements which completely halted the advance, he unlaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement his heroic, resolute actions contributed greatly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting distinct credit on Sergeant BECK and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

OLIVER H. ISAACS, 01317634, First Lieutenant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 24 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Although suffering painfully from appendicitis, First Lieutenant ISAACS refused to leave his company as it jumped off in an attack on strong enemy positions in Saarlautern-Roden. With tireless devotion to duty he remained at his post, directing his company's spirited action until he was fatally wounded in the operation. First Lieutenant ISAACS' valiant conduct inspired his comrades and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

ALFRED C. NOBLE, 37154153, Corporal, Q.C., \*\*\*Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

CHARLES A. JENSEN, 37448541, Corporal, Q.C., \*\*\*Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 7 March 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

GILBERT A. MATSON, 3624932, Corporal, QIC, \*\*\*\*Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 November 1944 to 7 March 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

WILLIAM SONSECK, 36246794, Technician Fourth Grade, QIC, \*\*\*\*Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JOHN A. KENNEDY, 36249192, Master Sergeant, Sig C, \*\*\*\*Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

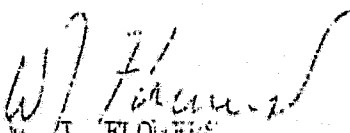
II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 500-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

FREDERICK WHITWORTH, 35362492, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 January 1945 to 22 January 1945, in the vicinity of Sankelstern-Rodon, Germany. Throughout three days of heavy artillery shelling and long range machine gun fire, Sergeant WHITWORTH fearlessly directed the maintenance of unbroken communications between his battalion headquarters and that of an infantry battalion, insuring effective artillery support during two fierce enemy counter-attacks. By his staunch, courageous leadership and heroic actions, Sergeant WHITWORTH inspired his men to continue laying and repairing wire lines although harassed constantly by enemy fire. His heroic performance of duty reflects distinct credit on Sergeant WHITWORTH and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

WILLIAM A. ROOT II, 01285310, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wolvor, Germany. When his company commander was savagely attacked by an enemy soldier and pushed headlong down a basement stairway, First Lieutenant ROOT plunged into the collar after his adversary. In a fierce struggle, he seized the German's weapon before he could fire on the unconscious company commander. As he struck his opponent a heavy blow, First Lieutenant ROOT was killed by fire from S.S. Troopers who fired directly into the basement before they were routed by friendly troops. His inspiring gallantry in sacrificing his life for a comrade reflects lasting honor on First Lieutenant ROOT and on the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

EDWARD H. MENARD, 31299396, Staff Sergeant (Then Technician Fourth Grade) INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. Covered by fire from his deployed squad, Staff Sergeant MENARD inched forward in a ditch toward a German machine gun which was inflicting severe casualties on Company L. First throwing two grenades at the emplacement, he then charged the enemy position with fixed bayonet and marching fire. Despite the murderous hostile fire, Staff Sergeant MENARD completely overwhomled his adversaries, killing four and wounding the two remaining. Staff Sergeant MENARD'S fearless deed reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

EDWARD J. KUBICKI, 36247347, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving valiantly during six months of combat as rifleman, assistant squad leader and squad leader, Staff Sergeant KUBICKI braved violent artillery fire, on 8 November 1944, to evacuate twelve comrades wounded while crossing an extensive minefield near Metz. Later, when his squad leader was wounded at Dronsteinfurt, on 31 March 1945, he quickly reorganized and led the squad through fearful mortar and machine gun fire to take its objective and capture twenty-one Germans. His gallantry in battle exem-

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plifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant **WUBICKI**. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

**ALEX M. ALLEN**, 36509564, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Pully, France. Leading two men in a fearless assault on a strongly-emplaced machine gun which delivered sweeping fire on Company E's advancing troops, Private First Class **ALLEN** crossed two hundred yards of open, fire-raked terrain. Succeeding despite the vicious enfilade fire on the enemy position, Private First Class **ALLEN** and his comrades hurled several grenades into the concrete-protected emplacement, killing one German and eliciting the surrender of six more. His dauntless, gallant action exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class **ALLEN**. Entered military service from Michigan.

**WILLIAM W. TAYLOR**, 35632266, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Augustdorf, Germany. When vicious machine gun and bazooka fire delayed Company E's attack, Staff Sergeant **TAYLOR** and two comrades boldly assaulted two bazooka teams and a machine gun nest. Although one man was wounded during the fearless advance over two hundred yards of open, furiously defended terrain, Staff Sergeant **TAYLOR** and his remaining associate continued intrepidly on until they eliminated the deadly obstacles. His valiant, unwavering devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant **TAYLOR**. Entered military service from Virginia.

**ALAN GOODMAN**, 12221272, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Attacked from the rear by eight Germans as he led four men into a fortified house, Staff Sergeant **GOODMAN** quickly deployed three men in firing positions inside the building and, with a comrade, occupied an exterior position. In the ensuing fire fight, five Germans were killed and three wounded. For seventeen hours, Staff Sergeant **GOODMAN** directed his men gallantly during several powerful counter-attacks, holding the house despite the enemy's fierce efforts to take it. His fearless leadership under fire reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant **GOODMAN** and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

**JOHN B. DEAN**, 36061351, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. One of nine men surviving the first assault boat crossing of the Moselle under violent enemy fire into Metz, Staff Sergeant **DEAN** fearlessly led four comrades in a daring assault on two machine gun positions. In the vicious fire fight, four Germans were killed by Staff Sergeant **DEAN** and his comrades while silencing the two weapons. Then, resolutely assaulting a third machine gun nest, Staff Sergeant **DEAN** was wounded but his men, inspired by his intrepid actions, quickly reduced the position. Staff Sergeant **DEAN**'S gallant leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

**STEVE P. CIORRA**, 35315653, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Toterchen, France. When vicious sniper fire forced his mortar squad to cover as it sought to displace its weapon forward, Staff Sergeant

PACIORKA, unhesitatingly advanced alone under the hail of bullets to eliminate the menace. Stealthily moving through a wooded area, he crawled unobserved until within close range of five German snipers. Then, quickly opening fire when his presence was discovered, he shot to death all five of the enemy soldiers. The high courage of his action reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant PACIORKA and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

MARVIN DISETH, 3723210, Sergeant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Scharltern-Roden, Germany. When an enemy patrol suddenly occupied a nearby house, Sergeant DISETH rushed to the top floor of his mortar squad's building. After firing his rifle and throwing several well-aimed grenades, he observed four Germans creeping stealthily toward a mortar position. Descending quickly, Sergeant DISETH quickly moved behind a pile of rubble and dispatched all four Germans as they advanced. Then, he led his squad in a relentless assault on the enemy patrol, killing twelve and capturing twenty-six. His valorous, intrepid actions reflect great credit on Sergeant DISETH and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

DONALD C. VEROLVEN, 37294836, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of Heizieres-les-Metz, France. Leading a night reconnaissance patrol, Private First Class VEROLVEN was returning with his men to Company L's position after successfully probing enemy defenses when he observed a concealed enemy machine gun. Quickly warning the others of the imminent danger, he unhesitatingly moved forward to destroy the position. Approaching with utmost stealth, he suddenly charged the emplacement, killing the entire crew and eliminating the weapon. Private First Class VEROLVEN'S gallant, single-handed action reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

GERALD C. ALDRICH, 01287787, First Lieutenant, INF, Company V, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Maxe, France. When a hail of sniper's bullets proceeding from a chateau halted his company's advance, First Lieutenant ALDRICH daringly and voluntarily set out alone to silence the enemy fire. Crawling in a ditch until within thirty yards of the building, he suddenly charged into the open, throwing two grenades into a window as he ran. Rushing inside after the explosion, First Lieutenant ALDRICH discovered three dead Germans and two others seriously wounded. His dauntless feat in removing a serious menace to his company reflects great credit on First Lieutenant ALDRICH and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

111. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

GEORGE B. LUNDBERG, 325679, Captain, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. In the assault on Hamm, Company A was attacking over a wide zone when Captain LUNDBERG observed one platoon pinned down by fire from a large apartment building. Accompanied by one soldier, he dashed across one hundred yards

of open ground under heavy fire and gained entrance to the strongpoint. Then, fearlessly confronting the enemy, Captain LUNDBERG and his companion seized seventeen prisoners, eliminating resistance at this point. His intrepid actions under fire exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Captain LUNDBERG. Entered United States Military Academy from New York.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Air 600-45, as amended, and Department No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

MC INDIE S. ALEXANDER, 17143653, Private First Class, INF, Company M, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When infiltrating enemy patrols isolated Private First Class ALEXANDER'S observation post from the main body of his unit, Private First Class ALEXANDER observed snipers in a nearby building whose fire was menacing a friendly squad. Braving heavy artillery and mortar fire, he made his way through a blasted wall and into the building containing the snipers. Accompanied by another soldier, he rushed the hostile group disarming and capturing four Germans. His daring, intrepid action reflects distinct credit on Private First Class ALEXANDER and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

FRANCIS A. KOPPEL, 33295337, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Soest, Germany. During this violent week, Private First Class KOPPEL repeatedly distinguished himself under enemy fire in the performance of his duties as jeep driver and messenger. Despite a barrage of time fire, he drove a forward observer and a radio operator along the Soest road, closely following the advancing infantry, to the leading element of the Second Battalion. Many times he drove across enemy-infested terrain in order to deliver messages to his company command post. His undeviating devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on Private First Class KOPPEL and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MISSILE J. EMELE, 42001054, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Crawling across a shell-swept yard in Metz, Technician Fifth Grade EMELE fired his bazooka on an enemy strongpoint, destroying it. Returning to his platoon's position, he observed a machine gun emplacement which protected the entrance to a bunker. In the face of searching hostile fire, he employed his rifle with great accuracy, killing one of the crew and silencing the weapon. Then, he participated boldly in an assault which captured the weakened bunker. Technician Fifth Grade EMELE'S keen, courageous prowess in battle is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from New Jersey.

EVERY B. THOMASON, 36061715, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 and 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Schaffhausen, Germany. Technical Sergeant THOMASON'S platoon was attacking enemy positions at Schaffhausen when heavy mortar and intense small arms fire was received, wounding the platoon leader and seriously hindering the advance. With bold initiative, Technical Sergeant THOMASON took command and led his comrades vigorously onto the objective. There, he



calmly and skillfully organized the newly won position for defense. The timely, aggressive leadership given by Technical Sergeant THOMAS resulted in the capture of an important objective with minimum casualties. His gallant conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM G. HILL JR, 0545149, Special Lieutenant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hymonn, Germany. When his platoon entered a strong defensive position protecting a Lige Canal bridge, Second Lieutenant HILL courageously and thoroughly reconnoitered the hostile area. Then, he led his platoon in a relentless night-long attack which culminated in the complete defeat of the Germans. Throughout the fierce fighting in the dark, Second Lieutenant HILL'S leadership was distinguished by wise judgment and vigor. His exemplary conduct in battle reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

LESTER F. SAUTNER, 37287341, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 October 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving successively as squad leader, platoon guide, platoon sergeant and acting platoon leader, Technical Sergeant SAUTNER consistently demonstrated a high order of personal courage during the fierce actions in which Company G was engaged. The staunch, timely leadership which he gave in critical situations was directly instrumental in the success of many difficult missions. Technical Sergeant SAUTNER'S gallant devotion to duty over an extended, arduous period of combat reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

ROBERT R. LUCAS, 35411246, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 October 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France, Holland, and Germany. Throughout this long period of combat Staff Sergeant LUCAS performed his duties as a mortar squad leader with exceptional courage and skill. At Huisdurf, under bazooka shelling he directed powerful mortar fire on enemy positions twenty-five yards from his observation post. One bazooka round penetrated a window overhead, but Staff Sergeant LUCAS fearlessly persevered in his mission until the Germans had been driven back. His undaunted fortitude in battle reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant LUCAS and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

PHILIP T. ZITO, 35316188, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 14 April 1945, in France, Holland, and Germany. Performing with intrepid skill the duties of forward observer for his mortar platoon, Staff Sergeant ZITO contributed remarkably to the decisive accomplishment of many missions. On one occasion, he occupied an observation post on the forward slope of a hill, under intense small arms fire as well as heavy artillery shelling. In this perilous position, he accurately directed mortar fire which routed the enemy from entrenchments one hundred yards to his front. Staff Sergeant ZITO'S heroic achievements over a long and grueling period of combat reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

EDWIN L. JOINER, 34393001, Private First Class, INF, Company M, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Under the powerful guns of Fort Mapporville, Private First Class JOINER voluntarily carried a machine gun, tripod and cradle through intense enemy fire to an alternate position, in order to save his comrades from the heavy shelling which would seek out his machine gun. Then, in the alternate position, he intrepidly resumed his mission of supporting the assaulting rifle elements. The courageous initiative displayed by Private First Class JOINER exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Alabama.

RAYMOND J. JAMES, 32633057, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Lorry devers Metz, France. At Lorry devers Metz, Staff Sergeant JAMES' mortar platoon encountered heavy shelling which severed wire communications to the observation post. Without hesitation, Staff Sergeant JAMES moved out under the dreadful barrage to repair the wire. In spite of deliberate sniper fire he proceeded along the line of wire until he found the break. Then, with calm skill, he repaired it. Staff Sergeant JAMES' heroic feat enabled his platoon to furnish effective supporting fire for assaulting rifle element. His fortitude under fire is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN A. MASSICK, 37110243, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. At the Fraulautern bridgehead, a powerful counter-attack swept to within fifty yards of Staff Sergeant MASSICK'S machine gun positions. Confidently, the enemy advised him to surrender or be destroyed by bazooka fire. Staff Sergeant MASSICK ordered his gunners to open fire and they killed ten Germans. When hostile rockets set fire to his section's emplacements, Staff Sergeant MASSICK conducted so orderly a withdrawal that no casualties were sustained. Throughout this period Staff Sergeant MASSICK'S valiant leadership was an inspiration to his comrades, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

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SECTION I - BOARD OF RECORDS WITH MEDALS  
SECTION II - BOARD OF THE LIAISON CLUSTER

I. BOARD OF RECORDS WITH MEDALS: In direction of the President, and under the provisions of G.O. 45, as amended, and War Department No. 34, Reg. March U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

ELMER W. SPATZ, 3110734, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company G, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Sergeant SPATZ served with conspicuous courage and resolve as a rifleman and as assistant squad leader during the months which saw his company in fierce combat at Metz, France, and in Saarbrücken, Arenstedt, Lennernangen and in the Amberger Wald, Germany, near Lichtenhagen, on 1 April 1945, he unhesitatingly put cover to cross open, fire-swept terrain and administered first aid to a wounded soldier. Then, assisted by three comrades, he evacuated the casualty from the battlefield. His devoted heroic service reflects distinct credit on Sergeant SPATZ and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN J. GADDY, 31309853, Private First Class, INF, Company H, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving courageously as rifle squad scout during five months of combat, on 1 October near Boulay, on 25 November 1944, Private First Class GADDY leaved himself open to evacuate several comrades wounded in a mortar barrage while carrying rations to front line troops. Later, on 29 November 1944, when his platoon was pinned by heavy machine gun and pistol fire, he assisted valiantly in the bold attack which eliminated the harassing enemy positions. Private First Class GADDY's heroic, determined actions exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GEORGE S. HINE, 35395881, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. As a rifleman, Private First Class HINE consistently ignored uncertainties and personal hazards during six months of combat to credit valiantly in the accomplishment of his company's missions. In one instance, when he observed hostile troops reoccupying near Boulay, on 25 November 1944, he immediately opened fire and single-handedly forced the Germans to flee after killing one and wounding several more. The fortitude and resolute courage displayed by Private First Class HINE over a long period of combat reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM A. COOK, 37694494, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany.

Private First Class COOK served courageously and resolutely as an automatic rifleman during the fierce actions in which his company participated at Metz, France and in Sarriutern, Dornsbefurt, Lorchthron and in the Amberger wald, Germany. Near Lorchthron, on 1 April 1945, he unhesitatingly crawled in open, shell-pounded area and administered first aid to a wounded soldier. Then, assisted by three comrades, he evaded the carnality from the battlefront. His valiant, devoted service exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Private First Class COOK. Entered military service from Iowa.

JAMES B. SIMMONS, 34920676, Private First Class, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Reigiswieselsdorf, France. Proceeding through an extensive, unmined rifle field and under intense fire, Private First Class SIMMONS voluntarily assisted in the evacuation of casualties and led his company in an attack on a large slag pile. After locating three casualties, he skillfully administered first aid and then, making three trips over the hazardous, shell-swept area, he singlehandedly removed the wounded men to safety and evacuation by ambulance. Private First Class SIMMONS' heroic, selfless action under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

WALTER H. REY, 35489726, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. While his men made numerous trips to his advanced position carrying ammunition, Sergeant REY resolutely fired his mortar by himself for over three hours in the face of a powerful enemy counter-attack. With the locking lever on the mortar's base plate broken, making it necessary for him to hold the weapon with one hand as he loaded it, he alone and unaided fired over three hundred and fifty rounds inflicting many casualties. Sergeant REY's intrepid performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WALTER C. DU BOISE, 34947477, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Lacking rifle grenade blanks when his squad's building was beset with panzerfaust fire, Sergeant DU BOISE cleverly improvised several by removing the projectiles from rifle ammunition and packing them with chewing gum. Then, using his rifle grenade blanks, he delivered such accurate grenade fire that the three Germans manning the panzerfaust positions were destroyed and six were occupying a nearby emplacement were forced to surrender. His heroic and resourceful actions exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Sergeant DU BOISE. Entered military service from Florida.

ALBERT E. ANDERSON, 35388365, Private First Class, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany during a strong hostile counter-attack. Private First Class ANDERSON, although suffering from combat exhaustion, voluntarily carried ammunition for his embattled company throughout an entire day and night, exposing himself repeatedly to murderous enemy shelling. The next morning, on his own initiative he boldly went forward to an observation post in the face of violent machine gun and sniper fire and assisted

valiantly in the adjustment and direction of mortar fire. Private First Class ANDERSON'S courageous determination reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

DONNELLY R. BOLTON, O24982, Captain, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 and 3 November 1944, in the vicinity of Melzières-les-Jetz, France. Encountering strong opposition while returning from an intelligence mission, Captain BOLTON fearlessly led his reconnaissance patrol in killing five Germans as the group battled its way back to Company K's sector. The following night, Captain BOLTON was wounded by mortar fire while seeking to contact an isolated combat patrol only after supervising the evacuation of several men, wounded in the barrage, and after alerting his company against possible counter-attack did he submit to evacuation. Captain BOLTON'S bold, resolute leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WALTER S. OKOWSKI, 31346114, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When two comrades entered a nearby house and were met by enemy small arms fire, Sergeant OKOWSKI intrepidly followed and found the men lying wounded in a hallway. Quickly throwing grenades through two open doors, he dutifully entered the rooms to find a dying German in each. Then, returning to his wounded comrades, he carried them to his machine gun position and administered first aid. His heroic, devoted performance is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Sergeant OKOWSKI. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

RUD J. KUZZLA, 36982736, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Member of a wire section, Private First Class KUZZLA courageously assisted his comrades in placing an armored cable across the Saar River under fierce enemy shelling to insure uninterrupted communications between elements of his regiment located on both sides of the river. Boldly moving across the bridge while mortar and artillery shells burst about him, Private First Class KUZZLA persisted at his hazardous, vital task until the cable was completely installed. Private First Class KUZZLA'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CHARLES P. HACKMAN, 33941459, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Member of a wire section, Private First Class HACKMAN courageously assisted his comrades in placing an armored cable across the Saar River under fierce enemy shelling to insure uninterrupted communications between elements of his regiment located on both sides of the river. Boldly moving across the bridge while mortar and artillery shells burst about him, Private First Class HACKMAN persisted at his hazardous, vital task until the cable was completely installed. Private First Class HACKMAN'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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EDWIN K. GROSS, 35485837, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 8 March 1945, in France and Germany. Staff Sergeant GROSS displayed consistent initiative and courage as leader of a light machine gun section through out Company B's grueling combat operations. On one occasion, when his company, occupying a factory building, was subjected to fearful bazooka and machine gun fire, he boldly maneuvered his weapons into position and delivered devastating fire on the enemy and completely relieved the pressure on his comrades. His resourceful and heroic leadership exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Staff Sergeant GROSS. Entered military service from Indiana.

CARL G. STUBB, 33714970, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 8 March 1945, in France and Germany. Through five months of arduous combat Private First Class STUBB rendered heroic, determined service as messenger for Company B. In one instance, during an attack on an enemy held factory building, when the forward platoon he was accompanying encountered heavy bazooka and rifle fire, he completely disregarded his own safety to direct the group to a good vantage point, from which accurate fire was delivered on the hostile positions. Private First Class STUBB'S valiant, devoted actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

R. J. MORRIS, 36509641, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Sacrau, Germany. When an intense barrage pounded an ammunition distribution point, Private First Class MORRIS unhesitatingly crossed an open field still being shelled to aid a wounded officer. First lifting a heavy branch of a shattered tree off the officer, Private First Class MORRIS assisted in carrying the wounded man to a covered position where immediate treatment was given by a medical officer. His courageous, timely actions are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class MORRIS. Entered military service from Michigan.

JACK D. BONIGLI, 39151900, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Uerdingen, Germany. When a tank and infantry column's radio communications failed while the tanks were halted by heavy enemy fire, Staff Sergeant BONIGLI and a private drove miles over an exposed route to deliver fresh batteries to the radio operator. Finally locating the column, the two men fearlessly ran from tank to tank under continuing violent fire until they found and repaired the faulty radio, restoring the vital communications. Staff Sergeant BONIGLI'S courage under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

CLARENCE W. WINNER, 36353285, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Uerdingen, Germany. When a tank and infantry column's radio communications failed while the tanks were halted by heavy enemy fire, Private First Class

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WELLEN and a comrade drove miles over an exposed route to deliver fresh batteries to the radio operator. Finally locating the column, the two men fearlessly ran from tank to tank under continuing violent fire until they found and repaired the faulty radio, thereby restoring the vital communications. Private First Class WELLEN'S courage under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

IVAN D. MCLELL, 37213193, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hordt, Germany. Private First Class MCLELL displayed heroic courage when, accompanied by another soldier, he crawled over fifty yards of open ground constantly swept by shrapnel to the side of a seriously wounded comrade, half dragging, half carrying the wounded man back to a covered position. Private MCLELL and his companion immediately administered first aid and then arranged for the casualty's speedy evacuation. The courage of his timely action reflects great credit on Private First Class MCLELL and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

OWEN C. HOWELL, 36104451, Sergeant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hordt, Germany. Sergeant HOWELL displayed heroic courage when, accompanied by another soldier, he crawled over fifty yards of open ground constantly swept by shrapnel to the side of a seriously wounded comrade, half dragging, half carrying the wounded man back to a covered position. Sergeant HOWELL and his companion immediately administered first aid and then arranged for the casualty's speedy evacuation. The courage of his timely action reflects great credit on Sergeant HOWELL and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

RAMON ELIZER, 36355229, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLARENCE P. HOWARD, 34761316, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 December 1944. Entered military service from Georgia.

ARTHUR L. SCHLITZ, 35352974, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 December 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES W. HUSE, 35438097, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 December 1944. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ALFRED LUCOVICI, 36359754, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

LOUIS S. SZLIG, 36150452, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Department, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT T. ELKLE, 025897, Captain, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 2 February 1945. Entered military service from Idaho.

EDWARD G. SPILLIKY, 35316009, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM S. STELLER, 0222024, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Headquarters, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

THOMAS S. WAGNER, 33020260, Technical Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

IT IS THE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and General Order No. 34, Hq, Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

LLOYD I. GRABE JR., 0540742, First Lieutenant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 31 October 1944, in the vicinity of Camy, France. Returning from reconnaissance mission, First Lieutenant GRABE and his patrol were approached by a strong hostile force, which immediately launched flames and opened fire with machine guns. Disregarding the vicious fire, First Lieutenant GRABE coolly directed his men's withdrawal to cover. Then, remaining as rear guard while his men began infiltrating to friendly lines, he was the last man to leave the hazardous location. His bold, resolute leadership exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on First Lieutenant GRABE. Entered military service from Texas.

By command of Major General TRABLETT

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, and under the provisions of SA 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

WILLIAM T. CASTLES, O1301782, Captain, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout six months of combat Captain CASTLES daringly and effectively directed his platoon's efforts in maintaining radio and wire communications within his regiment despite adverse weather conditions and enemy fire. With complete disregard for his own safety, he repeatedly advanced with wire teams under artillery, mortar and small arms fire to insure unbroken communications at times of great combat stress. His staunch, resolute leadership reflects great credit on Captain CASTLES and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

KARL H. MATHEN JR., O1311031, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France and Germany. First Lieutenant MATHEN distinguished himself by his bold, resolute actions as mortar section leader and, later, as machine gun platoon leader in Company D during the Metz and Saarland campaigns. In numerous fierce actions, the effective fire placed on enemy troops and installations by his unit materially facilitated the advance of rifle elements of the First Battalion. Later, as reconnaissance officer First Lieutenant MATHEN continued to perform his duties with undiminished vigor and courage. His fearless, devoted service reflects great credit on First Lieutenant MATHEN and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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G. DICK MANN, O541758, First Lieutenant. (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the assault crossing of the Moselle River by the Third Battalion, First Lieutenant MANN completely disregarded continuous artillery and mortar barrages to direct the uninterrupted flow of supplies to troops fighting across the river. Using the one available foot bridge, assault boats and a small ferry, the men under his intrepid, skillful leadership carried large quantities of ammunition and other vital supplies across the flooded river under heavy fire. His bold, devoted performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on First Lieutenant MANN. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

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EDWARD J. MOLINELLI, 01512317, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 29 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. First Lieutenant MOLINELLI displayed a high order of leadership and determination while serving as communications officer of the Third Battalion during an extended period of combat. Successfully maintaining radio and wire communications within his organization despite the difficult conditions of winter combat, he on repeated occasions led his platoon under heavy enemy fire to repair or install wire lines to attacking rifle companies. His bold, skillful leadership reflects great credit on First Lieutenant MOLINELLI and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

RAYMOND E. FISHER JR, 39218346, Private First Class, CE, Company A, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. During the initial assault crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange, Private First Class FISHER distinguished himself by going to the aid of six wounded men in the swollen river. With three comrades he placed the casualties in a boat and rowed under fierce hostile machine gun and mortar fire to the friendly bank. Private First Class FISHER'S lowly conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOSEPH DE SARIO, 10093426, Corporal, CE, Company A, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. During the initial assault crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange, Corporal DE SARIO distinguished himself by going to the aid of six wounded men in the swollen river. With three comrades he placed the casualties in a boat and rowed under fierce hostile machine gun and mortar fire to the friendly bank. Corporal DE SARIO'S heroic conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

SAM E. HAYS, 14192587, Private First Class, CE, Company A, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. During the initial assault crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange, Private First Class HAYS distinguished himself by going to the aid of six wounded men in the swollen river. With three comrades he placed the casualties in a boat and rowed under fierce hostile machine gun and mortar fire to the friendly bank. Private First Class HAYS heroic conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

WILBERT A. RUEPHEL, 36249798, Private, CE, Company A, \*\*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. With intrepid disregard for the fierce machine gun and mortar fire which swept the area, Private RUEPHEL and two companions administered first aid to four soldiers who were wounded in the assault crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange. While the fight for the bridgehead raged, Private RUEPHEL and his comrades dug slit trenches for the casualties and cared for them until a medical officer arrived. Then, Private RUEPHEL helped row three of the wounded men to the friendly bank. Private RUEPHEL'S heroic conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LAWRENCE GOLDBERG, 32791305, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private), CE, Company A, \*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. With intrepid disregard for the fierce machine gun and mortar fire which swept the area, Technician Fifth Grade GOLDBERG and two companions administered first aid to four soldiers who were wounded in the assault crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange. While the fight for the bridgehead raged, Technician Fifth Grade GOLDBERG and his comrades dug slit trenches for the casualties and cared for them until a medical officer arrived. Then, Technician Fifth Grade GOLDBERG helped row three of the wounded men to the friendly bank. Technician Fifth Grade GOLDBERG'S heroic conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ROBERT W. ABBOTT, 39171449, Corporal, CE, Company A, \*\*\*Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. With intrepid disregard for the fierce machine gun and mortar fire which swept the area, Corporal ABBOTT and two companions administered first aid to four soldiers who were wounded in the assault crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange. While the fight for the bridgehead raged, Corporal ABBOTT and his comrades dug slit trenches for the casualties and cared for them until a medical officer arrived. Then, Corporal ABBOTT helped row three of the wounded men to the friendly bank. Corporal ABBOTT'S heroic conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

VERNON W. RILEY, 51190907, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving intrepidly as a scout observer, Private First Class RILEY was never deterred by repeated exposure to enemy fire from performing his duty in a superior manner. Throughout many months of bitter fighting, he located numerous hostile gun emplacements and other installations, the destruction of which materially facilitated the First Battalion's progress. His heroic, resolute service is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class RILEY. Entered military service from Vermont.

MAURICE A. NESS, 36248904, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France and Germany. Private First Class NESS served courageously and skillfully during almost five months of combat as radio-telephone operator and wireman with numerous forward observer parties. In one instance, he singlehandedly carried a heavy radio over several hundred yards of open terrain under the direct observation of enemy forces in order to maintain communications between Cannon Company's command post and observation posts. Private First Class NESS' heroic actions throughout a difficult period reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

DENNIS E. BELL, 39389040, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 March 1945, in the vicinity of Uerdingen, Germany. When two squads became separated from Company K during a night tank-infantry attack, Technical Sergeant BELL resolutely set out at the head of the group to locate his unit. Fear

lessly moving over unknown territory, he maintained complete control over his men throughout the hazardous march until, encountering a friendly tank column, he gained information enabling him to lead the two squads into Germany's sector. Technical Sergeant LAMM's valiant, inspiring leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES F. HUGHES, 3655093, Private First Class, M.D. Medical Detachment, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 31 March 1945, in the vicinity of Urdingen, Germany, when the reconnaissance patrol to which he was attached received vicious machine gun fire near Urdingen, Private First Class HUGHES and five comrades were wounded and three more were killed in the ensuing fire fight. Fearlessly moving through continuous machine gun fire and grenade bursts, Private First Class HUGHES heroically ignored his own wound to render first aid to the other casualties. His valiant, devoted actions exemplify high traditions of the Medical Department and reflect great credit on Private First Class HUGHES. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRANK WHECIN, 36009574, Technician Fifth Grade, GAV, \*\*\*Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 19 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

EMMET C. GOSKOWICZ, 36249551, Corporal, GAV, \*\*\*Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 19 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LEROY I. CAMERON, 36356703, Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOSAH BROWN, 36356257, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 10 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

DAVID A. BISHOP JR., (461524), First Lieutenant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 February 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

THOMAS V. POHL, 01055796, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 February 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

LEON D. BAMBICINI, 3930112, Staff Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Oregon.

HOWARD J. BILLEN, 36358214, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 10 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE C. FAIRBANK, 0524529, Captain, GI, Headquarters, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 November 1944 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Florida.

BURGESS L. RIDDLE, 0460832, Captain, GI, Headquarters, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 November 1944 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

LEO A. SCHLIMMELMANN, 0525737, Captain, GI, Headquarters, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 November 1944 to 6 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

CHARLES G. JENSEN, 3057208, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 4 December 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

WALTER D. IVIE, 39525129, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company B, \*\*\*\*Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

RICHARD E. HILL, 16010157, Private First Class, MD, Company E, \*\*\*\*Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

LAVENE R. GIBB, 37203410, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

JAMES E. BUTLER, 01165794, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

JAMES W. GARDNER, 015762, Colonel, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 April 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

EMERSON B. DESHES, 017592, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

JAMES V. STEPHANSON, 17004103, Sector Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

FRANCIS J. BENNETT, 3814333, Technician Third Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

WILKE J. MILEMAN, 36050095, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRANK RONLE, 3331132, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

EDWARD G. RATH, 36124932, Staff Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOSEPH E. LO GARD, 3612462, Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ISAAC BRADLEY, 36061295, Corporal, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

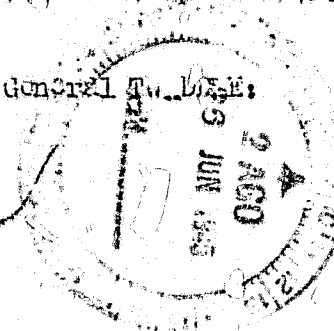
ALBERT M. BREWSTER, 01175952, First Lieutenant, FA, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT R. WILHELT, 36249789, Technician Fourth Grade, G.V., \*\*\*Accompaniment Troop, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 19 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

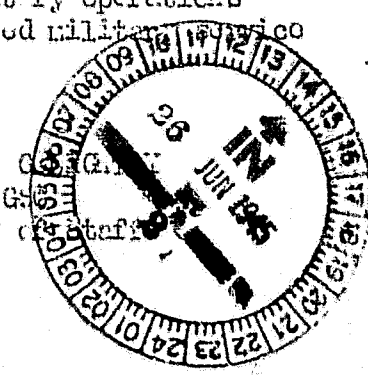
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SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AO 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LOUIS M. MELKOWSKI, 37222527, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

RALPH E. MUEHLNIE, 36062365, Technician Fifth Grade, INF Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN S. KOMP, 01323715, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 February 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

ALBERT L. WOOLEY, 39000483, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 2 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

HAROLD R. WINKEL, 37422873, Corporal, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

STEVE R. WEST, 34444269, Private First Class, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

LEROY F. JERVIS, 35388909, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

KENNETH R. HESS, 35439885, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

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GEORGE A. DAVIS, 39876075, Staff Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

HENRY L. DOLROWICKI, 16091281, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HOMER L. KOMILL, 37233997, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 10 May 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

HAROLD R. GUNDA, 35741453, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 10 May 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

GAIL P. BURGDOM, 36061277, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 27 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

LELAND P. WHITE, 36251253, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

BASIL A. RICKBY, 16093133, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GUY J. LEA, JR, 18041651, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

REXMOND G. CUMINGS, 37421638, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

CARLENE F. KENDISH, 0522241, Captain, GI, Headquarters, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

WILLIAM C. VINCENT, 0449561, Captain, GI, Headquarters, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.



CLARENCE E. SMITZER JR., 32779730, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 19 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM E. ST. JACQUES, 01281325, Captain, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

NORMAN E. CASSIDY, 35613002, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAY W. WARREN, 39157340, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 February 1945 to 1 March 1945. Entered military service from California.

FLOYD B. ROSE, 37203607, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

NICK CHILICO, 01180451, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

LESLIE S. ROUTEL, W2129190, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Headquarters, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Oregon.

BENJAMIN L. MELLINGER JR., 0497233, Captain, FA, Headquarters, \*\*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 17 November 1944. Entered military service from California.

II. WARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, HQ, Fifth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously to:

WILLIE LAMER, 37287494, Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 October 1944, in the vicinity of Neuveant, France. To repair a telephone wire from Company E's observation post to the command post across the Moselle, Sergeant LAMER and an officer twice crossed the river in a small boat despite the presence of enemy riflemen four hundred yards away. Exposed to constant hostile shelling for an hour, the two men courageously persisted at their task until the necessary repairs were made. Sergeant LAMER'S heroic, determined actions are in keeping with high

traditions of the military service and reflect lasting honor on him. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF ONE LEAF CLUSTER. By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act (50-45), as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, I. G. 40th U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

FRANK C. GIFFORD, 01525274, First Lieutenant, MGS, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations from 1 February 1945 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Repeatedly braving intense enemy fire to supervise directly the efforts of aid men and litter bearers, First Lieutenant GIFFORD insured the closest possible medical support to the assault companies of the Third Infantry. Serving as assistant battalion surgeon, he skillfully organized the evacuation system of his organization so that wounded men were quickly removed from the battlefield and given prompt medical attention despite the difficulties of rapid movement and enemy fire. First Lieutenant GIFFORD'S heroic, resolute actions reflect great credit on him and on the Medical Administrative Center. Entered military service from New York.

NICHOLAS P. AIFER, 0302463, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Koen, Germany. When determined infantry resistance and direct fire of eighty-eight millimeter and self-propelled weapons halted Company E as it reached the outskirts of Koen, First Lieutenant AIFER fearlessly re-crossed two thousand yards of open, shell-pounded terrain to secure tanks to support the advance. Successfully locating the tanks, he quickly led them forward to Company E'S position where they were immediately employed to destroy the hostile resistance. First Lieutenant AIFER'S fearless deed is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Indiana.

By command of Major General THOMAS G. ...

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL by direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 60845, as amended, and Executive Order No. 34, HQ Ninth U. S. Army, 5 September 1944, in accordance, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

DANIEL SCOTZ, 37450474, Corporal, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 December 1944 to 14 April 1945, in Germany. Throughout the period 8 December 1944 to 14 April 1945 Corporal SCOTZ performed his duty as instrument corporal for a mortar platoon with unswerving devotion and resourceful skill. At Esdorf, he was responsible for the fast-laying and maintenance under heavy enemy fire of more than four miles of wire between the gun positions and the observation posts. The courage and initiative repeatedly displayed by Corporal SCOTZ are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ROBERT F. HUBBLY, 02016402, Second Lieutenant (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company L, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Idymorn, Germany. When Company L captured Idymorn, Second Lieutenant HUBBLY deployed his men so quickly and skillfully that the retreating Germans were pinned down. Then, with brilliant initiative, he replaced the company's machine guns in positions from which their fire killed twenty of the enemy and elicited the surrender of twelve. Second Lieutenant HUBBLY's aggressive actions completely disrupted the hostile defense. His great combat skill and staunch leadership are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

ALVIN L. MOGEL, 37450873, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France, Holland, Belgium, and Germany. Throughout the period 1 November 1944 to 18 April 1945 Technician Fifth Grade MOGEL distinguished himself by his resolute performance of the duties of chauffeur, frequently under small arms fire as well as artillery and mortar shelling, in serving many hours over strange roads in bad weather. His tireless, vigorous devotion to duty during a long and arduous period of combat is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ROBERT L. SCHUELLER, 0529023, First Lieutenant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 5 February 1945, and 25 March 1945 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. At Hamibels Wood, on 2 November 1944, First

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Lieutenant SQUELLER threw himself into a position which protected a wounded man from intense mortar fire. His heroic conduct on this occasion was typical of his fearless performance of duty throughout his battles. The leadership and high combat skills consistently exhibited by him are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Michigan.

PERCIB THORNTON, 0389762, First Lieutenant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Siersdorf, Germany. In the face of intense machine gun and small arms fire First Lieutenant THORNTON led his platoon against a strong force of Germans who blocked the First Battalion supply lines. Deploying his men skillfully, he personally led a vicious assault in which two machine guns were destroyed and four Germans were killed. The bold leadership, giving First Lieutenant THORNTON the high order of courage which he displayed are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Texas.

ANDREW S. HILZ, 0502661, First Lieutenant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 November 1944 and April 1945, in the vicinity of Villing, France, and Gerlingenhausen, Germany. In the fiercely-contested advance on Villing, First Lieutenant HILZ was hurled to the ground when a shell hit the tank on which he was riding. Undaunted, he organized his platoon under the heavy enemy fire and led it vigorously in an attack which captured the village and sixty-five Germans. Later, during the advance on Gerlingenhausen, First Lieutenant HILZ administered first aid to three wounded soldiers in the face of intense hostile fire. The fearless leadership and high order of personal courage displayed by him are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

FRANK WILSON, 35464602, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Performing the duties of a platoon sergeant with fearless devotion, Staff Sergeant WILSON contributed remarkably to the battle achievements of his unit during the period 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. At Wassy, France, on 17 November 1944, he was one of nine soldiers wounded by hostile mortar fire. Before accepting treatment for his own wound, he participated in the evacuation of his comrades. After receiving medical aid, he returned to the fighting. His consistently courageous conduct was greatly inspiring to his comrades and typified high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

FRED RIGBY, 34625495, Staff Sergeant, C.S., Battery D, \*\*\*Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

WALTER L. HILL, 34603421, Sergeant, C.S., Battery D, \*\*\*Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

JOHN E. WIRTH, 32627459, Corporal, MD, Medical Detachment, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM G. BROWN, 37144722, First Sergeant, CAG, Headquarters Battery, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES E. JESS, III, 0204120, First Lieutenant, CAG, Battery D, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 January 1945 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

WILLIAM ALLEN JR., 0204041, First Lieutenant, CAG, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

SPENCER E. GINNEY, 13072445, Technical Sergeant, CAG, Headquarters Battery, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

LEONARD E. TOMMINS, 3038777, Staff Sergeant, CAG, Headquarters Battery, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

FREDERICK E. WIGGINS, 01042594, First Lieutenant, CAG, Battery D, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 January 1945 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Connecticut.

ROBERT H. TIMMONY, 0103943, First Lieutenant, CAG, Battery D, Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

ELLEN C. JOHNSON, 3412599, Technician Fifth Grade, Sig C, Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from South Dakota.

CLAUDE LONG, 3600535, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT F. CHOLEA, 31193241, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Connecticut.

THEODORE J. HUGHES, 36316415, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, \*\*\*Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN J. EUGEN, 36357243, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, \*\*\*Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES I. BERRY, 37230710, Technician Fifth Grade, Sig C, \*\*\*Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

CHARLES W. COOPER, 3624903, Staff Sergeant, AF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*Army Regt, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM L. BELL, 01325062, First Lieutenant, E-6, Headquarters and Forwarding Company, Field Signal Bn, \*\*\*Army Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

GARLAND L. FISHMAN, 1602009, First Sergeant, INF, Company D, Machine Gun Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GLENN H. GIBBS, 3558 934, Staff Sergeant, E-6, Battery A, \*\*\*Field Artillery First Bn, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM W. BETHAN, 0924822, First Lieutenant, CB, Headquarters and Service Company, \*\*\*Infantry Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

In command of Major General TWIDDLE:

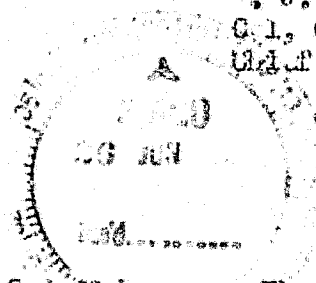
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SECTION I - WARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
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SECTION III - WARD OF TWO LEAF CLUSTER

I. WARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Executive Order No. 94, 14th U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

WILLIAM T. CONROCK, 3342590C, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company L, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Unhesitatingly opening fire with his automatic rifle when six Germans attempted to penetrate Company L's lines, Technician Fifth Grade CONROCK gave a heavy answering fire to deliver a constant hail of bullets on the enemy, inflicting several casualties and forcing the survivors to flee. Later, he received a painful shrapnel wound during a fierce barrage which pounded his platoon, but he courageously remained at his post until the situation was relieved. His heroic, determined actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WALTER E. WESTBROOKS, 34425531, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. While adjusting and directing effective mortar fire on a large enemy troop concentration, Private First Class WESTBROOKS began receiving heavy eighty-eight millimeter shelling on his position in the top floor of the platoon command post. Twice hurled to the floor and momentarily stunned by close strikes, he courageously remained performing his hazardous mission until his platoon leader ordered his withdrawal. His courage and tenacity of purpose exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class WESTBROOKS. Entered military service from Georgia.

RUFUS M. MC CLURE, Jr., 1614947A, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class MC CLURE bravely left his mortar squad's building at the peak of a terrific artillery barrage and, moving through the constant shell bursts, went to his mortar position to answer a fire mission. As he returned to the building after completing his mission, he was fired on by two Germans who were attempting to intercept him. Fearlessly returning the enemy's fire, he quickly shot both of the Germans to death. His valiant skill in combat exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class MC CLURE. Entered military service from Michigan.

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ALONZO L. HANCOCK, 3810553, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company I, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Irrolutun, Germany, when an infiltrating enemy patrol wounded his two comrades as they returned to their squad with ammunition and rations, Technical Sergeant HANCOCK utterly disregarded his own safety to carry both men to cover and administer first aid. Then, after securing a litter squad to evacuate the wounded men, he doggedly recovered a large load of vital supplies and proceeded forward to his squad's position. Technical Sergeant HANCOCK'S courageous, devoted actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

MYRON L. HAYS, 6331424, Second Lieutenant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company M, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Guntersberg, Germany. When infiltrating enemy patrols isolated his observation post from the main body of his unit, Second Lieutenant HAYS observed soldiers in a nearby building exchanging a friendly conversation with searching fire, waving heavy artillery and mortar fire. He made his way through a blasted wall and into the unpopulated building. Accompanied by a soldier, he rushed the hostile group, disarming and capturing four Germans. His heroic, brave actions reflect distinct credit on Second Lieutenant HAYS and typify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LEWIS W. THURLE, 3523582, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company V, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout five months of combat Staff Sergeant THURLE directed the battalion's combat guard with unflinching devotion and resourceful skill. Near Echemont, France, on 10 April 1945, he and two comrades were returning with thirty-four prisoners when they were fired on by seven German soldiers. Skillfully controlling the prisoners and returning the hostile fire, the three men managed to capture one of the attacking group while routing the others. The courage and initiative repeatedly displayed by Staff Sergeant THURLE are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from California.

WALTER S. HANLITT JR, 33692099, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company I, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Amavillers, France. Courageously entering an uncharted mine field when several members of his night patrol were wounded by exploding mines, Sergeant HANLITT displayed comradely leadership and courage to a friendly outpost in Amavillers. Then, despite intense sniping and small arms fire by an enemy combat patrol, which attacked the group as it reached the outpost with the wounded men, he calmly administered first aid to his comrades throughout the fire fight. His soldier's courage is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Sergeant HANLITT. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN A. HANNA, 35379000, Private First Class, INF, Company I, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Amavillers, France. Courageously entering an uncharted mine field when several members of his night patrol were wounded by exploding mines, Private First Class HANNA displayed



casualty two thousand yards to a friendly outpost in Aernvillers. Then, despite fire, grenades and small arms fire by an enemy counter-patrol, which attacked the group as it reached the outpost with the wounded men, he calmly administered first aid to his comrades throughout the fire fight. His selfless courage is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class SMITH. Entered military service from West Virginia.

HENRIET D. BETH, 35531500, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Cavalry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 23 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Lisdorf, Germany. Serving as a scout and observer, Private First Class BETH reportedly exposed himself to enemy fire in his search for and location of enemy activities. Through out the strenuous operations at Metz and at Lisdorf, he rendered invaluable aid to the Third Battalion by fearlessly seeking out and verifying information revealing hostile deployment and movement. Private First Class BETH's exploits are evidence to other troops of his distinguished credit in his and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERT C. WILLIETT, 1800677, First Sergeant, INF, Company I, Cavalry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving with heroic distinction for almost five months of combat, First Sergeant WILLIETT on two occasions maintained unbroken operations and communications during a period of heavy fighting when his communications sergeant was wounded. Later, he personally recommended a supply and evacuation route from his company's position to the command post while under heavy fire and reportedly led carrying parties over the shell-pounded route. First Sergeant WILLIETT's intrepidity, courage and service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

FRANCIS WALKER, 31186905, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, Cavalry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Lisdorf, Germany. Serving as a scout and observer at Metz and at Lisdorf, Private First Class WALKER rendered invaluable aid to the Third Battalion by his fearless efforts, as scout and observer, to seek out and verify information on hostile deployment and movement. On 5 December 1944, he was wounded while establishing a forward observation post under intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. Private First Class WALKER's heroic performance of duty is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WILLIAM W. VASZ, 01030726, First Lieutenant, C.V., Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 January 1945 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

DANIEL J. GUSTAFSON, 37289943, Staff Sergeant, CG, Company B, Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

CURTIS K. SLIPPE, 37290457, Technician Fourth Grade, GE, Company G, \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

DOMINICK R. VIGELLI, 31193444, Sergeant, GE, Headquarters and Service Company, \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 November 1944 to 20 March 1945. Entered military service from Connecticut.

BENJAMIN H. CANLIDA, 36249725, Sergeant, GE, Company B, \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HOWARD J. KIPRICK, 0271515, First Lieutenant, GE, Company B, \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

11. AWARD OF ORDNANCE CROSS: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 50845, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Fifth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Ordnance Cross is awarded to the following:

FRANK J. DOHONEY, 01304696, First Lieutenant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oorlinghausen, Germany. Fearlessly going out into intense machine gun and twenty-millimeter fire, First Lieutenant DOHONEY unhesitatingly crossed a fire-swept road to go to the side of a wounded man. After administering first aid, he carried the casualty two hundred yards through the continuing fire to a jeep. Placing his comrade into the vehicle, he quickly evacuated him to an aid station. First Lieutenant DOHONEY'S timely, courageous and selfless actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

HARRY W. SMITH, 36246324, First Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), CIV, \*\*\*\* Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Herde, Germany. First Sergeant SMITH displayed high courage and devotion to duty when his platoon received heavy artillery fire while crossing four thousand yards of enemy-held territory to make contact with another infantry division. Boldly ignoring the furious shelling which forced the rest of the platoon to seek cover, he intrepidly led his section forward until a junction was effected. His staunch, resolute actions in accomplishing a hazardous mission are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on First Sergeant SMITH. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LE ROY W. FAGINER, 01030656, First Lieutenant, CIV, \*\*\* Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Herde, Germany. First Lieutenant FAGINER distinguished himself by his heroic and determined actions while leading his platoon across four thousand yards of enemy-held territory to make contact with another infantry division. Although hostile artillery fire was extremely heavy, he courageously persisted in leading his men's advance until the

hazardous mission was successfully accomplished. First Lieutenant FAGENVALL's intrepidity and bravery in materially assisting the clearing of a large section of the Saar Valley reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

EDWARD J. MAHIT, 37449173, Technical Sergeant (Team Staff Sergeant), INF, Company I, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 October 1944, near Soligny, France. At the close of a night patrol in the area, with himself and two others, Technical Sergeant MAHIT unhesitatingly went into the mine field to aid a patrol first aid to his wounded comrades. Then, skillfully leading the patrol through the mine field to safety, he himself carried the patrol leader over the mine field safely, successfully avoiding the dangerous mines which were extensively used throughout the area. His heroic and gallant conduct under fire on this occasion reflects great credit on Technical Sergeant MAHIT and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

REGINALD J. WILKIE, 01296730, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Herms, Germany. During the attack on Herms, First Lieutenant WILKIE conducted repeated successful reconnaissance of front line positions, then under enemy fire, to deploy most effectively his own weapons company. On 5 April 1945, he accompanied a combat patrol into enemy territory in order to acquire intimate knowledge of terrain and enemy installations prior to displacing forward the guns of his organization. His exceptional and courageous leadership in this connection with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on First Lieutenant WILKIE. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

LOUIS E. COFF, 01823298, First Lieutenant, INF, Company I, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. Leading his depleted platoon into an effective fighting force, First Lieutenant COFF skillfully and vigorously led the twenty men through hostile flak and rifle fire to overrun numerous enemy entrenchments and artillery positions. By his bold, resolute actions, he inspired the small group to close with numerically superior enemy forces and overcome them quickly and efficiently. In the day's operations, his platoon captured one hundred and seventy German while suffering only slight losses. First Lieutenant COFF's daring leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

WALTER H. SCHLEGEL, 37253309, Staff Sergeant, CO, Company E, 888th Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 February 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

COSAS J. RUGGLES, 01295215, Captain, INF, Company G, 888th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 January 1945 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM L. KILM, 0343558, Major, PI, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 April 1945 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

HARVEY E. FITTON, 3051577, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 29 January 1945 to 22 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

WALTER H. DUNN, 0262173, Major, FA, Headquarters, \*\*\*Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 January 1945 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

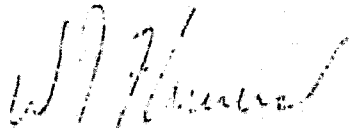
III. GRAND OAK LEAF CLUSTER by direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum o. O., Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal and one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster previously awarded, a second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to

FRANCIS L. LAYNE, 018435, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, 488th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 December 1944 to 25 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

By command of Major General TADDELL:

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 3 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

JOHN S. KOWALSKI, 33083533, Sergeant (Then Private), INF, Company F, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When two German tanks advanced on Sergeant KOWALSKI'S squad he with one other soldier boldly assaulted an enemy-held cellar to win refuge for his comrades. So vigorous was Sergeant KOWALSKI'S assault that thirteen hostile troops who were armed with machine guns and automatic pistols were forced to surrender and the cellar was captured. Sergeant KOWALSKI was killed in action on 2 April 1945, in Germany. His complete devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on Sergeant KOWALSKI. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

EDWARD H. GAGNON, 31221203, Private, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Immeidange, France. In order to warn his comrades of a powerful and surprising armored attack Private GAGNON stood in the street and fired his rifle at an enemy tank which was only one hundred yards from him. Fire from the tank's machine guns killed Private GAGNON but his gallant action alerted his comrades. The complete devotion to duty displayed by Private GAGNON is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on him. Entered military service from Maine.

ROBERT L. SIMONS, 18155732, Private First Class, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Immeidange, France. In order to warn his comrades of a powerful and surprising armored attack Private First Class SIMONS stood in the street and fired his rifle at an enemy tank which was only one hundred yards from him. Fire from the tank's machine guns killed Private First Class SIMONS but his gallant action alerted his comrades. The complete devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class SIMONS is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on him. Entered military service from Texas.

DENNY C. MURPHY, 34923321, Private, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. With no regard for his own safety Private MURPHY made four trips across the shell-swept Moselle River in order to collect and evacuate

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the wounded. During his fourth crossing an enemy artillery shell hit the boat in which he was riding and Private MURPHY was killed. His fearless conduct and heroic devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Tennessee.

RAYMOND E. WALSH, 37292820, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 8888th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. With no regard for his own safety Private First Class WALSH made four trips across the shell-swept Moselle River in order to collect and evacuate the wounded. During his fourth crossing an enemy artillery shell hit the boat in which he was riding and Private First Class WALSH was killed. His fearless conduct and heroic devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Minnesota.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. 4th U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

VANIS L. HICKS, 38665298, Sergeant, INF, Company G, 8888th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wilhelmruh, Germany. When his platoon was ambushed while advancing through a wood and one comrade wounded, Sergeant HICKS quickly halted the file and signalled for the group to seek cover in a nearby ditch. Then, after intrepidly engaging the concealed enemy soldiers in a fierce fire fight, he boldly led a section of his squad against the hostile positions, capturing sixteen Germans while overcoming all resistance in this wooded area. His gallant, inspiring leadership, on this occasion exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Sergeant HICKS. Entered military service from Arkansas.

LEO M. GAYMILL, 6290496, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 8888th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Although painfully wounded by shell fragments, Private First Class GAYMILL fearlessly took up a position exposed to the point-blank fire of fifteen German armored half-tracks furiously counter-attacking his company's positions. From his hazardous vantage point he then began firing rifle grenades with deadly accuracy and quickly destroyed one of the advancing hostile vehicles. Doggedly persisting in his heroic actions, he submitted to evacuation only after the violent assault was repelled. Private First Class GAYMILL'S gallant devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wyoming.

WILFRED J. GUIMOND, 36184905, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 8888th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When a German machine gun emplaced in a nearby house fired on Private First Class GUIMOND as he guarded a fallen comrade, he unhesitatingly made his way toward the hostile position. Quickly throwing three grenades into a window, he completely destroyed the enemy weapons. Later, after administering first aid to another wounded man, he courageously carried the casualty through the continuing heavy fire to an aid station. His gallant, selfless conduct is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Private First Class GUIMOND. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CHARLES H. MERIWETHER, 34904060, Private First Class, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ober-Limburg, Germany. While covering Company F's flank during an advance, Private First Class MERIWETHER heroically remained in a dangerously exposed location after his four companions were killed by machine gun fire. Firing his automatic rifle with telling accuracy, he completely frustrated the hostile attempts to break through and isolate his company. Immediately rejoining his platoon when the danger at this point was eliminated, he assisted valiantly in the completion of Company F's mission. Private First Class MERIWETHER'S superb courage and combat skill reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

ALBERT R. LEHERE, 33936692, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When the enemy emplaced a machine gun whose field of fire embraced Company B's front Private First Class LEHERE left his foxhole. With fixed bayonet he and another soldier boldly assaulted the hostile position. At close quarters Private First Class LEHERE and his comrade completely overwhelmed the Germans, killing six and destroying the enemy weapon. The audacity and courage displayed by Private First Class LEHERE reflect great credit on him and typify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

FRANK M. PLOCH, 36977135, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When the enemy emplaced a machine gun whose field of fire embraced Company B's front Private First Class PLOCH left his foxhole. With fixed bayonet he and another soldier boldly assaulted the hostile position. At close quarters Private First Class PLOCH and his comrade completely overwhelmed the Germans, killing six and destroying the enemy weapon. The audacity and courage displayed by Private First Class PLOCH reflect great credit on him and typify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ERNEST A. JOHNSON, 34990148, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Orlinghausen, Germany. When his platoon received deadly machine gun and sniper fire from concealed flanking positions, Private First Class JOHNSON crawled forward, deliberately exposing himself to draw fire and locate the enemy. Ignoring a painful wound, he single-handedly engaged the hostile emplacement with furious rifle fire, killing two Germans, forcing six more to surrender and destroying one machine gun. His valiant skill in combat exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class JOHNSON. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

DANIEL C. BEISEL, 01310964, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company A, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Immeldange, France. Although he was wounded early in the attack First Lieutenant BEISEL continued to lead his platoon vigorously against enemy troops in the woods southeast of Immeldange. Later, when enemy armor encircled the town to inflict severe losses on friendly units, First Lieutenant BEISEL led his men in hard, cool fighting until they were relieved. The aggressive leadership and concern for his own safety which First Lieutenant BEISEL displayed throughout this strenuous action reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JAKE M. MARY, 37422787, Private First Class, INF, Company D, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Although he was seriously wounded in a terrible explosion at Fort Belle-a-Croix, Private First Class MARY, disdaining evacuation, assisted with great skill in caring for his wounded comrades. Earlier in the day he had fearlessly exposed himself to sweeping hostile fire in order to deliver ammunition to his advancing squad's machine gun. The valor exhibited by Private First Class MARY is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Iowa.

FRANK J. SORRENTO, 31208928, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. When heavy enemy machine gun fire pinned down his platoon in an advance on Maginot Line fortifications Private First Class SORRENTO charged forward to destroy one hostile machine gun position with his own accurate rifle fire. Stunned by Private First Class SORRENTO'S intrepid action, another enemy machine gun crew surrendered. The fearless and inspiring initiative taken by Private First Class SORRENTO is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

CHARLES W. SCHWANTZ, 36971480, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 26 November 1944 and from 9 February 1945 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company E was engaged Private First Class SCHWANTZ served with distinct courage and untiring perseverance. At Augustdorf, Germany, on 2 April 1945 under terrible small arms and machine gun fire, he helped establish and maintain an isolated forward observation post where he and six comrades killed twenty-three Germans and captured fifteen. Private First Class SCHWANTZ' fearless skill in combat contributed greatly to the success achieved by his company, reflecting high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

THOMAS E. KIERAN, 33808542, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 29 October 1944 to 21 December 1944, and from 25 December 1944 to 9 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company E was engaged Private First Class KIERAN served with distinct courage and untiring perseverance. At Augustdorf, Germany, on 2 April 1945 under terrible small arms and machine gun fire, he helped establish and maintain an isolated forward observation post where he and six comrades killed twenty-three Germans and



captured fifteen. Private First Class KIERAN'S fearless skill in combat contributed greatly to the success achieved by his company, reflecting high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JEWEL W. ELDERS, 34899688, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company E was engaged Private First Class ELDERS served with distinct courage and untiring perseverance. At Augustdorf, Germany, on 2 April 1945 under terrible small arms and machine gun fire, he helped establish and maintain an isolated forward observation post where he and six comrades killed twenty-three Germans and captured fifteen. Private First Class ELDERS' fearless skill in combat contributed greatly to the success achieved by his company, reflecting high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

JUNIOR E. BUTLER, 33681661, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 6 March 1945, in the vicinity of Rheinhausen, Germany. Under heavy enemy artillery fire Private First Class BUTLER gave medical aid to four wounded men who lay in a craterless ditch. In spite of the hostile bombardment Private First Class BUTLER remained with his stricken comrades until they could be evacuated. The gallantry which he displayed under fire reflects great credit on Private First Class BUTLER and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

FREDERICK W. PRAHL, 36357308, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When unfavorable terrain made the employment of mortars impracticable, Staff Sergeant PRAHL reorganized his squad as an assault team and led it in a relentless attack on strong enemy positions. The speed and power with which Staff Sergeant PRAHL deployed his men against the garrison of Fort Belle-la-Croix greatly facilitated the surrender of two hundred Germans. The fearless leadership which he provided is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Staff Sergeant PRAHL. Entered military service from Illinois.

THOMAS VARLEY, 36891817, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When four enemy soldiers emplaced a machine gun above the basement which he occupied, thereby threatening the advance of his company, Sergeant VARLEY fearlessly engaged the Germans with his rifle. In fierce fighting he killed one of the enemy and forced the other three to surrender. Sergeant VARLEY'S daring and timely action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

MARLIN E. GEHRET, 33941210, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsburg, Germany. Assaulting an enemy machine gun position by himself, Private First Class GEHRET hurled a grenade and then reached the weapon to find one of the crew dead and the other two wounded. The fearless initiative displayed by him on this occasion is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit

on Private First Class GEHRET. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

CARROLL L. DAVIS, 36977555, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When his squad was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire Private First Class DAVIS advanced close to the enemy position and opened fire with his bazooka. In the face of the enemy's frantic fire Private First Class DAVIS coolly destroyed the hostile emplacement with his bazooka. His action greatly facilitated the advance of his squad. The courage which he displayed is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Private First Class DAVIS. Entered military service from Michigan.

JAMES P. MC KEON, 12065170, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the bitter fighting in which Company G was engaged the service of Technical Sergeant MC KEON was distinguished by a high order of courage and efficiency. The fearless leadership given by him at Maizieres-les-Metz, Woippy and Ascheberg contributed immensely to the success achieved by his company. His conduct in battle reflects great credit on Technical Sergeant MC KEON and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHNNY C. NEIGHBORS, 34968352, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When a patrol was ambushed by a strong enemy force Private First Class NEIGHBORS and his comrades fought their way forward in order to deliver information of their company's plight to the battalion command post. Later, Private First Class NEIGHBORS helped to guide tanks to his company's relief. His unwavering devotion to duty resulted in the security of Company B's position. His fortitude under fire reflects great credit on Private First Class NEIGHBORS and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

CHESTER F. ZAJAC, 36600117, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout six months of combat Sergeant ZAJAC demonstrated unswerving devotion and resourceful skill while serving as a rifleman and squad leader in Company E. Acting as first scout at Woippy, on 16 November 1944, he succeeded in locating and destroying many well-hidden enemy riflemen, enabling his squad to advance with few casualties. His courageous initiative and leadership, repeatedly displayed throughout a difficult, extended period of combat, reflect distinct credit on Sergeant ZAJAC and are in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

RAYMOND GAGNON, 31417405, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. After voluntarily leading a patrol over a hazardous two-mile route to reconnoiter a path of approach to Itzbach, Staff Sergeant GAGNON, completely undetected by the enemy, returned with his men and skillfully guided Company E through the hostile positions to within five hundred yards of the village. Then, with his squad

leading the first wave, he participated in an assault which reduced Itsbach without casualty. Staff Sergeant GAGNON'S outstanding leadership and combat skill exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

RICHARD H. CARPENTER, 16098808, Corporal, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Member of a small force isolated from Company D by a hostile counter-attack, Corporal CARPENTER boldly engaged the enemy which encircled the building he occupied and, by his accurate bursts of fire, forced the German soldiers to withdraw. Although wounded later when murderous machine gun and grenade activity was directed at his position, he tenaciously remained at his post and returned the enemy fire with relentless courage, submitting to evacuation only when the fierce assault was repulsed. His intrepid, determined actions reflect distinct credit on Corporal CARPENTER and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM P. GAIN, 31417406, Private First Class, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. When his platoon was confronted with a powerful enemy combat patrol after crossing the Moselle River, Private First Class GAIN steadfastly stood his ground and, skillfully employing his heavy machine gun, killed and wounded several of the vigorously attacking hostile force. His deadly fire repulsed the enemy flanking attack and removed the threat to his platoon's security. The heroic and unflinching devotion to duty given by Private First Class GAIN exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WESLEY M. BEASON JR, 34823364, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. Boldly racing one hundred and fifty yards through a heavily mined area under small arms fire, Private First Class BEASON recovered a machine gun from a dead comrade and returned with it to a tank trap. Immediately putting the weapon into action, he fired continuously for twenty minutes at the hostile force emplaced on a hilltop. His fearless, inspiring conduct in reducing materially the enemy fire enabled his company to resume its advance and permitted the prompt evacuation of several casualties from the minefield, reflecting distinct credit on Private First Class BEASON and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

ROSS HOLCOMB, 34984050, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company E was engaged Private First Class HOLCOMB served with distinct courage and untiring perseverance. At Augustdorf, Germany, on 2 April 1945 under terrible small arms and machine gun fire, he helped establish and maintain an isolated forward observation post where he and six comrades killed twenty-three Germans and captured fifteen. Private First Class HOLCOMB'S fearless skill in combat contributed greatly to the success achieved by his company, reflecting high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

TED C. KATOPODIS, 36981377, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company E was engaged Private First Class KATOPODIS served with distinct courage and untiring perseverance. At Augustdorf, Germany, on 2 April 1945 under terrible small arms and machine gun fire, he helped establish and maintain an isolated forward observation post where he and six comrades killed twenty-three Germans and captured fifteen. Private First Class KATOPODIS' fearless skill in combat contributed greatly to the success achieved by his company, reflecting high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN G. SCHOLMA, 36168370, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving fearlessly as an automatic rifleman and as a jeep driver during six months of combat, Private First Class SCHOLMA, on 19 November 1944 valiantly assisted his squad in wiping out two machine gun nests in Metz. In Fraulautern, on 16 December 1944, when his platoon's position was fiercely counter-attacked, his deadly automatic rifle fire killed three enemy soldiers, forced three to surrender and repulsed the assault. Private First Class SCHOLMA'S intrepid, courageous service exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Michigan.

DEAN F. BRAUCH, 35827107, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 16 April 1945 in France and Germany. Staff Sergeant BRAUCH served with courageous distinction as a squad leader throughout an extended combat period. On 8 December 1944, he led four men in a successful attack on a stubbornly-held Fraulautern building, killing two Germans and capturing eleven more. Later, on 31 March 1945, he advanced with his squad into hostile territory and secured information vital to the seizure of a pass controlling the Reichsautobahn near Lamersshagen. Staff Sergeant BRAUCH'S resolute leadership exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Ohio.

MELVIN GOLDEN, 36976054, Sergeant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in Fraulautern, Germany. Sergeant GOLDEN fearlessly exposed himself to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire to administer first aid to three comrades wounded while defending an outpost. Then, after braving the violent barrage to secure an aid man, he assisted in evacuating the casualties through streets swept constantly by small arms fire. His selfless, heroic actions at the risk of his life reflect distinct credit on Sergeant GOLDEN and are in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRANCIS E. CURRAN, 01325741, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in Boulay, France. In the face of heavy artillery and machine gun fire First Lieutenant CURRAN marched firing at the head of twelve men against the high wooded ground of his company's immediate objective. Isolated from the main body of his company and subjected to continually dense shelling, First Lieutenant CURRAN encouraged his small group to hold

the hard-won ground against a numerically superior enemy force. The intrepid leadership which he gave reflects great credit on First Lieutenant CURRAN and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

RAY S'INEHART, 33933213, Private First Class, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 October 1944 to 2 April 1945 in France and Germany. Throughout the violent fighting of this period Private First Class S'INEHART contributed materially to the success of Company F by performing his duty with distinct personal courage and high combat skill. In Fraulautern, Germany, on 9 December 1944, he participated brilliantly in an assault on a powerfully fortified enemy position which yielded twenty prisoners. Private First Class S'INEHART'S valiant devotion to duty over long and arduous months of combat reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ALVIN B. FIFIELD, 36976907, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in Fraulautern, Germany. When his squad was pinned down by heavy machine gun fire Private First Class FIFIELD advanced close to the enemy position and opened fire with his bazooka. In the face of the enemy's frantic fire Private First Class FIFIELD coolly destroyed the hostile emplacement. His action greatly facilitated the advance of his squad. The courage which he displayed is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Private First Class FIFIELD. Entered military service from Michigan.

EUGENE W. MALTBIA, 34963570, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the violent fighting of this period Private First Class MALTBIA contributed materially to the success of Company G by performing his duty with distinct personal courage and high combat skill. In the woods near Boulay, France, on 25 November 1944, he crawled under heavy enemy fire to lead a platoon to an attack on strong German positions. Private First Class MALTBIA'S valiant devotion to duty over long and arduous months of combat reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

LANTZ MOLLOHAN, 35390908, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 29 November 1944, and 13 February 1945 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the violent fighting of this time Private First Class MOLLOHAN contributed materially to the success of Company E by performing his duty with distinct personal courage and high combat skill. Near Guisingen, Germany, on 29 November 1944, he went to the aid of a seriously wounded comrade although he was wounded himself. Earlier, at Boulay, France, he had led his squad with great determination in routing a stubborn enemy force from stout entrenchments. Private First Class MOLLOHAN'S intrepid and unwavering devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ALBERT A. ASP, 37286373, Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Twice wounded, Sergeant ASP hurried under enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to the side of a seriously wounded comrade and carried him across fifteen hundred yards of shell-swept terrain to safety. Sergeant ASP'S fearless action resulted in the saving of his comrade's life. The high order of personal courage which he displayed reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ERNEST H. CRAWFORD, 33525212, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. During the bitter fighting in which Company G was engaged Technical Sergeant CRAWFORD consistently distinguished himself by his fearless devotion to duty. Near Wilhelmsruh, Germany, on 9 April 1945, he led a platoon vigorously in the extermination of enemy resistance in a strongly-defended wooded area. His inspiring leadership and splendid combat skill are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Virginia.

ROBERT E. GANOE, 37696475, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944 and 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kerprich Hemmersdorf, and Augustdorf, Germany. Boldly advancing across open ground in an assault on strong enemy emplacements whose machine gun and rifle fire pinned down a platoon of Company G near Kerprich Hemmersdorf, Private First Class GANOE and several comrades quickly eliminated all resistance, killing five Germans, wounding five and capturing several more. Later, on 1 April 1945, he volunteered to brave heavy fire from a hidden enemy position to carry plasma to three soldiers lying wounded in an Augustdorf house. His heroic, determined actions reflect great credit on Private First Class GANOE and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

SAMFORD G. DUCKOR, 42051437, Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissburg, Germany. When intense fire from enemy snipers imperiled his squad Sergeant DUCKOR organized and led a bold assault on the hostile force which was located in a wooded area. Under Sergeant DUCKOR'S aggressive, cool leadership the squad killed one of the enemy and captured four without sustaining a casualty. The high order of personal bravery displayed by Sergeant DUCKOR reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 3 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

CHARLES KRAL, 32869997, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When his outpost was suddenly isolated by enemy infiltration Staff Sergeant KRAL advanced on the hostile force, in the face of furious fire, hurling grenades. In his relentless assault Staff Sergeant KRAL killed two Germans and captured two tanks by eliminating a dangerous enemy position. His fortitude and skill in combat reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant KRAL and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ARMAND J. ROBERGE, 31293099, Private First Class, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, from 16 October 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the extremely bitter fighting of this period Private First Class ROBERGE upheld the highest traditions of the medical department by tending to the wounded with great courage and skill in the face of heavy enemy fire. Outside Metz, on 19 November 1944, he crawled to a wounded soldier who lay under sweeping machine gun fire. Although wounded in the performance of this intrepid deed, Private First Class ROBERGE did not accept medical aid until his comrade had been evacuated. His gallant devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

CLIFFORD W. GALLMAN, 34687314, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company I, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany. When a force of enemy paratroopers occupied a house from which other hostile elements had been driven Staff Sergeant GALLMAN assaulted the position by himself. In the face of nearly accurate machine gun fire he rushed to the door, killing two of the enemy with his rifle and routing the remainder. The courage which he displayed in this single-handed action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant GALLMAN. Entered military service from Georgia.

EUGENE L. GILBERT, 37209703, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company M, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When his machine section was fired on suddenly by panzerfausts which were behind a stone wall,

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Staff Sergeant GILBERT administered first aid to three wounded comrades and then boldly assaulted the strong enemy position. After hurling grenades he closed with the enemy and killed one German, wounded two and captured three. Staff Sergeant GILBERT'S heroic action reflects great credit on him and typifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

RALPH E. DEDERT, 35142017, Corporal, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. While repairing shell-severed telephone lines Corporal DEDERT and a comrade were pinned down by hostile fire from a nearby building. Instructing his companion to return fire, Corporal DEDERT intrepidly dashed across the street and entered the enemy stronghold through a rear window. There, silently moving to the room occupied by the enemy, he quickly hurled a grenade, dashed inside after the explosion and killed both Germans. His gallant deed typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Corporal DEDERT. Entered military service from Indiana.

HARRY N. RUGGLES, 35920051, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Trapped with three other soldiers on the second floor of a shell-pounded building whose first floor and basement housed enemy machine guns, Private First Class RUGGLES crept from the house to secure first aid for two of his comrades who were wounded by a shell-burst. After twice traversing five hundred yards of heavy mortar and rifle fire, he stealthily carried the medical equipment into the building and administered first aid to the casualties until relief arrived the following morning. Private First Class RUGGLES' valiant action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LEWIS G. GUYTON, 34445695, Private First Class, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Starting out under a terrific artillery and mortar barrage to deliver an urgent message from battalion headquarters to Company A, Private First Class GUYTON was painfully wounded by shell fragmentation after going three hundred yards. Despite his grievous wound, he continued heroically through the terrible fire until the message was delivered to his commanding officer. Only then did he submit to evacuation. The gallant devotion to duty given by Private First Class GUYTON on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

THEODORE E. CESARZ, 36352863, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Bullberg, Germany. Leading his men forward relentlessly after the platoon leader became a casualty during a dawn attack, Technical Sergeant CESARZ pressed a vigorous assault in which a Mark V tank was eliminated. Then, advancing alone to remove the threat of an armored half-track and an anti-tank gun, he fired his rifle furiously as he moved, forcing the crews of both half-track and gun to flee and permitting his platoon to hold Company C's right flank. His gallant initiative and leadership exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Technical Sergeant CESARZ. Entered military service from Illinois.

LEO BERNSTEIN, 42046553, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Soest, Germany. During clearing operations in Soest, Private First Class BERNSTEIN daringly entered alone a German bunker which lay within Company C's zone. Encountering seventy-five armed enemy soldiers, he dauntlessly demanded and obtained their surrender. Later, he and another soldier fearlessly rushed into a building housing a German officer and twenty-eight men and forced the entire group to capitulate. The audacity and courage of his actions reflect great credit on Private First Class BERNSTEIN and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JAMES L. KING JR, 39695428, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hirschberg, Germany. Advancing with several members of his platoon upon an enemy strongpoint, Private First Class KING without hesitation braved hostile fire to rush into the house. Surprising the garrison completely by his bold dash, he succeeded in forcing the surrender of the commander and twenty-eight men. His fearless, alert conduct under fire typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class KING. Entered military service from California.

CLAUDE R. MILLIGAN, 37639518, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company C, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Advancing with a four-man patrol into hostile territory, Sergeant MILLIGAN and his group were suddenly fired on by an enemy machine gun. Hurriedly instructing his men to provide fire, he worked his way to the rear of the emplacement without being detected. Then, tossing two grenades into the machine gun nest, he demolished it completely and enabled his company to advance safely. Sergeant MILLIGAN'S gallantly aggressive action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

TOMAS M. VASQUEZ, 38067752, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. After guiding a reconnaissance patrol deep into enemy territory and aiding in the location of two machine gun emplacements, Private First Class VASQUEZ observed the patrol leader pinned down by a sudden burst of German machine gun fire. Advancing stealthily to within ten yards of the gun emplacement, he silenced the weapon with two flawlessly-aimed grenades. Then, after the patrol was quickly reorganized, he led it safely back to Company L's positions. His gallant, devoted actions reflect great credit on Private First Class VASQUEZ and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

RICHARD O. STREBY, 35411140, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 March 1945, in the vicinity of Buderich, Germany. Voluntarily serving on the crew of a captured German field piece shelling flak gun positions lining the opposite bank of the Rhine, Private First Class STREBY was

skillfully performing the duties of cannoneer when hostile counter-battery fire forced the gun crew to seek cover. Upon cessation of fire the men were returning to their posts when suddenly a shell burst at close range and Private First Class STREBY was killed. His complete devotion to duty typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class STREBY. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILBUR W. SOEKEN, 37213239, Corporal, INF, Cannon Company, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. During fierce action in which Cannon Company was delivering heavy supporting fire, Corporal SOEKEN'S gun position became the target for violent hostile counter-battery shelling. In the violent barrage, he was courageously persevering in completing his tasks and in assuring himself that all crew men had cover when he was killed by a shell which exploded only a few feet away. His complete devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on Corporal SOEKEN. Entered military service from Kansas.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

DALE K. LAVERENTZ, 17058480, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Sergeant LAVERENTZ voluntarily crossed the Moselle River many times to carry vital ammunition and supplies by hand to embattled First Battalion troops isolated in Bertrange by enemy armor and infantry. Although constantly harassed by intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire on the river as well as on both banks, he persisted throughout the night at his self-appointed task, repeatedly penetrating enemy lines to deliver the essential supplies. Sergeant LAVERENTZ' heroic, determined conduct reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

LEONARD F. FILLIOUS, 35316172, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Private First Class FILLIOUS voluntarily crossed the Moselle River many times to carry vital ammunition and supplies by hand to embattled First Battalion troops isolated in Bertrange by enemy armor and infantry. Although constantly harassed by intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire on the river as well as on both banks, he persisted throughout the night at his self-appointed task, repeatedly penetrating enemy lines to deliver the essential supplies. Private First Class FILLIOUS' heroic, determined conduct reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

DONALD H. HOPKINS, 37450577, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Private First Class HOPKINS voluntarily crossed the Moselle River many times to carry vital ammunition and supplies by hand to embattled First Battalion troops isolated in Bertrange by enemy armor and infantry. Although constantly harassed by intense artillery,

mortar and machine gun fire on the river as well as on both banks, he persisted throughout the night at his self-appointed task, repeatedly penetrating enemy lines to deliver the essential supplies. Private First Class HOPKINS' heroic, determined conduct reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

DAVID L. LEECH, 34388376, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Private First Class LEECH voluntarily crossed the Moselle River many times to carry vital ammunition and supplies by hand to embattled First Battalion troops isolated in Bertrange by enemy armor and infantry. Although constantly harassed by intense artillery, mortar and machine gun fire on the river as well as on both banks, he persisted throughout the night at his self-appointed task, repeatedly penetrating enemy lines to deliver the essential supplies. Private First Class LEECH'S heroic, determined conduct reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

ALFRED B. ELLIS, 35411233, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. With two other soldiers Sergeant ELLIS crossed the Moselle by daylight under vicious artillery, mortar and machine gun fire in an attempt to contact isolated First Battalion elements and to acquire information as to enemy strength and disposition. Although forced by the intense fire to withdraw before reaching the isolated troops, Sergeant ELLIS gained much information which later proved vital in the relief of the First Battalion. His courageous initiative exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Sergeant ELLIS. Entered military service from Ohio.

RUFUS M. HAYS, 34393471, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. With two other soldiers Private First Class HAYS crossed the Moselle by daylight under vicious artillery, mortar and machine gun fire in an attempt to contact isolated First Battalion elements and to acquire information as to enemy strength and disposition. Although forced by the intense fire to withdraw before reaching the isolated troops, Private First Class HAYS gained much information which later proved vital in the relief of the First Battalion. His courageous initiative exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class HAYS. Entered military service from Alabama.

CLEO WILKINSON, 6861520, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Crossing a coverless area under grazing machine gun fire during an attack on enemy positions, Staff Sergeant WILKINSON gained the protection of a ruined building, his platoon's initial objective, and staunchly returned the murderous enfilade. Although the searching fire several times forced him to change positions, he doggedly continued covering the flank of his advancing company at a critical time. His fearless actions contributed greatly

to his company's accomplishment of a difficult mission, reflecting great credit on Staff Sergeant WILKINSON and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM S. MUJR, 33887546, Private, INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville et Rierange, France. Moving over a hilltop while seeking to destroy two mortars whose devastating fire seriously impeded Company A's advance, Private MUJR and four other volunteers first boldly attacked a group of entrenched enemy snipers, eliminating several and capturing two more. Then, fighting its way into the valley, the group skillfully flanked the mortar positions, silenced the weapons and killed or captured the entire German crew. Private MUJR'S heroic and skillful performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Maryland.

ALMER N. DAVIS, 31466006, Private First Class, INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville et Rierange, France. Moving over a hilltop while seeking to destroy two mortars whose devastating fire seriously impeded Company A's advance, Private First Class DAVIS and four other volunteers first boldly attacked a group of entrenched enemy snipers, eliminating several and capturing two more. Then, fighting its way into the valley, the group skillfully flanked the mortar positions, silenced the weapons and killed or captured the entire German crew. Private First Class DAVIS' heroic and skillful performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Maine.

CHARLES C. LAMLEY, 36977558, Private First Class, INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville et Rierange, France. Moving over a hilltop while seeking to destroy two mortars whose devastating fire seriously impeded Company A's advance, Private First Class LAMLEY and four other volunteers first boldly attacked a group of entrenched enemy snipers, eliminating several and capturing two more. Then, fighting its way into the valley, the group skillfully flanked the mortar positions, silenced the weapons and killed or captured the entire German crew. Private First Class LAMLEY' heroic and skillful performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOSEPH M. JANOV, 36184815, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Taking command when his platoon sergeant was wounded, Technical Sergeant JANOV reconnoitered the exposed right flank of his platoon in the face of machine gun and sniper fire. After observing a strong machine gun position he led a group of volunteers in a sudden assault which destroyed the enemy crew. Later, when an explosion inflicted heavy casualties on his comrades, Technical Sergeant JANOV labored to evacuate the injured without regard for his own safety. His heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLARD S. MC CLARY, 33545563, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When his two comrades were pinned down by intense sniper fire Private First Class MC CLARY exposed himself fearlessly to locate the snipers. From the doorway of a house in the enemy's field of fire he shot the snipers with his automatic rifle, releasing his comrades from their dangerous position. Private First Class MC CLARY'S intrepid action is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Virginia.

BENJAMIN P. HOLMES, 31446250, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Although wounded, Private First Class HOLMES braved heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire in order to deliver valuable information to an outpost. His courageous and unwavering devotion to duty resulted in the capture of a strongly-fortified hostile pillbox. The gallantry displayed by Private First Class HOLMES on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

NAY GREGORY, 35933554, Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. While leading an eight-man patrol, Sergeant GREGORY was isolated from his platoon by a strong enemy force. Radioing his platoon for help, he immediately deployed his men and directed their fire, inflicting heavy casualties on the hostile troops. Supervising the spirited defense and administering first aid to wounded patrol members, he succeeded in holding off the menacing force until help arrived. The aggressive and inspiring leadership given by Sergeant GREGORY reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

GEOFFREY H. HARLESS, 33887605, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. When an automatic rifleman was seriously wounded during Company G's attack on Guisingen, Private First Class HARLESS succeeded in removing the casualty to a covered position despite the intense fire covering the area. Quickly returning to his squad with the recovered automatic rifle, he added the additional fire power which enabled the group to capture an enemy strongpoint, kill four Germans and capture ten more. Private First Class HARLESS' intrepid, courageous service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

ANDREW T. FRANK, 32159675, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Forced into a barn by an enemy counter-attack which drove the rest of their platoon back, Staff Sergeant FRANK and four other men were subjected to heavy artillery fire throughout the night. When all five were wounded, Staff Sergeant FRANK heroically disdained his own wounds to summon two aid men. Then, returning into the terrible fire, he alone carried two comrades to safety. His valiant conduct exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on

Staff Sergeant FRANK. Entered military service from New Jersey.

HARRY W. MUSSER, 01313779, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When a determined counter-attack by enemy armor and infantry threatened to disorganize his heavy machine gun platoon and the rifle company it supported, First Lieutenant MUSSER courageously braved vicious hostile fire to rally his command and to organize a perimeter defense. Then, voluntarily proceeding through the enemy lines to battalion headquarters, he assisted in planning the next morning's successful attack which relieved the situation completely. First Lieutenant MUSSER'S resolute leadership reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

STERLING L. WHITLEGE, 35486041, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout six months of violent fighting Private First Class WHITLEGE performed his duties with great personal courage and high combat skill. On 19 and 20 November 1944, he defied hostile observation and heavy small arms fire to deliver vital ammunition to his battalion's assault elements during the initial phase of establishing a bridgehead in Metz. Private First Class WHITLEGE'S fearless, devoted service contributed materially to the success achieved by his company, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

EDGAR MC DOWELL, 35283695, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 31 March 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the bitter fighting in which Company E was engaged Staff Sergeant MC DOWELL distinguished himself by his high courage and initiative as a squad leader. In Maulautern, from 7 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, he boldly and aggressively led his squad in the capture of several pillboxes and fortified positions. His fearless leadership contributed materially to the success achieved by his company in combat, reflecting great credit on Staff Sergeant MC DOWELL and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

GOTTSCH W. ALDERMAN, 34543144, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout five months of fierce combat action Technical Sergeant ALDERMAN served with courageous initiative and unfaltering devotion in the successive capacities of rifleman, platoon guide and platoon sergeant. On 22 December 1944, he participated with his platoon leader and four other men in assaulting three fortified fraulautern houses menacing his company's forward elements. All three strongholds were occupied and twenty prisoners, several machine guns and three automatic pistols were captured. His heroic conduct in battle exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects a distinct credit on Technical Sergeant ALDERMAN. Entered military service from Florida.

WALTER THOMAS JOSEF JR, 35192970, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 March 1945, in the vicinity of Rudolfsch,

Germany. When a round of hostile counter-battery fire exploded near the gun position in which he was serving voluntarily as cannoneer, Private First Class FITZPATRICK was seriously wounded along with two comrades while another was killed. Rendered unable to walk, Private First Class FITZPATRICK courageously crawled to a nearby road and summoned medical aid. Then, he stoically refused treatment until his companions had first received attention. His heroic, selfless actions reflect distinct credit on Private First Class FITZPATRICK and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

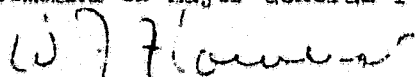
RAYMOND H. FAULKNER, 35502691, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

JAY H. HOLLINGER, 33511097, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company A, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville et Ricrange, France. Moving over a hilltop while seeking to destroy two mortars whose devastating fire seriously impeded Company A's advance, Staff Sergeant HOLLINGER and four volunteers first boldly attacked a group of entrenched enemy snipers, eliminating several and capturing two more. Then, fighting its way into the valley, the group skillfully flanked the mortar positions, silenced the weapons and killed or captured the entire German crew. Staff Sergeant HOLLINGER's heroic and skillful performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ALBERT R. JOHNSON, 36359761, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. After a violent encounter with strong German tank and infantry elements, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON was leading his depleted platoon to join Company G when attacked by an eight-man enemy patrol. A quick, deadly burst from his rifle killed one German, wounded another and compelled the remainder to surrender. Later, he unhesitatingly assumed command when his platoon leader was wounded and served brilliantly in this capacity during thirteen days of bitter fighting. His fearless leadership reflects distinct credit on Technical Sergeant JOHNSON and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 6 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

ROBERT L. DARRAH, 01291958, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Discovering an intact bridge over the Moselle River into Metz, First Lieutenant DARRAH and his small patrol fiercely attacked the German machine gun crew defending the structure. After the hostile group was eliminated, First Lieutenant DARRAH posted guards on the bridge, securing it for a crossing in force later that day. He was killed in action, on 23 November 1944, while performing a hazardous security mission. His fearless actions in combat reflect lasting honor on First Lieutenant DARRAH and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

BLAINE E. HAMILTON, 31466857, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Fearlessly defying the murderous machine gun fire which pinned down his platoon, Private First Class HAMILTON occupied a dangerously exposed vantage point from which he brought a furious stream of automatic rifle fire on the enemy gun emplacement. His relentless efforts resulted in the destruction of the weapon and the seven Germans manning it, enabling Company A to advance and complete its mission. Private First Class HAMILTON'S superb courage and combat skill typify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Maine.

WILLIAM F. TURNER JR., 14116456, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ~~8888~~ Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Frankfurt, Germany. When his platoon sergeant was seriously wounded in violent street fighting and in immediate need of evacuation, Private First Class TURNER volunteered to take him through the terrible enemy fire to medical attention. Placing the casualty on his back, he stumbled through the rubble-filled streets and, despite the increasing fire, succeeded in reaching an aid station. His gallant conduct in saving the life of a comrade exemplifies the

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highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class TURNER. Entered military service from South Carolina.

ALBERT F. WOODLEY, 37206790, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Fearlessly moving across a dangerously exposed area where an entire platoon of Company C was pinned down by fierce artillery and machine gun fire, Private First Class WOODLEY inspired his comrades to follow him to shelter in St. Barbara. After directing the men to cover, he was prompting stragglers to continue moving when he was hit twice but he heroically continued his efforts until all had gained safety. His valiant, determined leadership reflects great credit on Private First Class WOODLEY and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

GEORGE JACOBSON, 37293170, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. After single-handedly killing or capturing sixteen Germans while his platoon destroyed two menacing machine gun nests, Staff Sergeant JACOBSON was leading his men through intense artillery in an assault on St. Barbara when a powerful counter-attack isolated him and four others from Company C. Heroically maintaining his men's morale until relief arrived the next morning, he then refused evacuation until two comrades who also had been wounded were treated. His gallant, intrepid deeds exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant JACOBSON. Entered military service from North Dakota.

ALBION E. TRIPP, 31132060, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When fire from a hidden machine gun wounded one soldier and forced two others to cover as the group returned to Company C after evacuating casualties across the Moselle River, Private First Class TRIPP advanced alone with his automatic rifle blazing. After demolishing the hostile weapon and compelling the crew to surrender, he returned and administered first aid to his wounded comrade until relief arrived the following morning. Private First Class TRIPP's superb combat skill and gallant devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

GEORGE, 34793080, Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Augustdorf, Germany. Fired on by an enemy machine gun as he advanced with his company, Sergeant GEORGE skillfully outflanked and approached the position from the rear with five men. Then, after posting his comrades as security he crawled to within ten yards of the emplacement and hurled a grenade, wounding two Germans. The remaining enemy soldier surrendered immediately. His gallant conduct in removing a dangerous obstacle to his company's advance reflects great credit on Sergeant GEORGE and typifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

MARC L. WIEWEKE, 19177412, Private First Class, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ober-Limburg, Germany. Despite a leg wound suffered while Company F cleared a wooded area near Ober-Limburg, Private First Class WIEWEKE voluntarily carried a comrade four hundred yards through terrific enemy fire to

a medical collecting point. Refusing medical treatment, he returned over the hazardous route to continue his heroic, self-appointed task. As he reached the side of another casualty, he received another wound which forced his evacuation. His gallant, selfless actions under fire exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Private First Class WILHEKE. Entered military service from California.

ROBERT E. GANOE, 37696475, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Braving heavy small arms fire, Private First Class GANOE fearlessly moved several yards in front of his platoon and cleared a path through extensive barbed wire entanglements, enabling the platoon to advance toward its objective without casualties. Later, while performing the same deed, he was subjected to vicious artillery and small arms fire but he coolly continued cutting the wire and once again permitted his comrades to advance with few casualties. Private First Class GANOE'S valorous conduct in battle reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

CHARLES CILEK, 36326016, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany. When an enemy force advanced into his ambushed squad's positions, Staff Sergeant CILEK'S murderous rifle fire killed four Germans and repulsed the hostile attack. Later, when enemy panzerfausts were trained on his position, he was stunned by an exploding round but, recovering immediately, he eliminated two panzerfaust gunners by rifle fire and two German riflemen with grenades. As the beaten Germans withdrew hastily, his deadly rifle accounted for three others. Staff Sergeant CILEK'S superb courage and skill in combat reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HERBERT G. BECKMAN, 34936919, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Worl, Germany. Advancing alone toward a fiercely-resisting enemy stronghold, Private First Class BECKMAN shot a German guarding the building and courageously ran a gauntlet of small arms fire to dash inside. Opening fire immediately, he completely overwhelmed the enemy by the force of his daring attack, killing one German, wounding another and taking five prisoners. The unflinching courage displayed by Private First Class BECKMAN on this occasion exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Tennessee.

SALVATORE MERCUGLIANO, 32114991, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company K, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Rodon, Germany. When fired on by two machine guns while leading a patrol in an attack on an enemy-occupied building, Technician Fifth Grade MERCUGLIANO intrepidly dashed forward and tossed two grenades, eliminating a German rifleman. Then, after directing three rounds of bazooka fire on the house, he charged the position single-handedly, bursting in on the dazed garrison and forcing the entire group of five Germans to surrender. Technician Fifth Grade MERCUGLIANO'S gallant deed typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

MIKE RIESINGER, 37293054, Corporal, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. During five months of bitter fighting the service of Corporal RIESINGER was distinguished by a high order of courage and efficiency. Throughout the period the Third Battalion maintained a bridgehead in Emsdorf, he courageously exposed himself nightly to murderous artillery and mortar fire while assisting in vital supply operations on the Saar River. His heroic, determined service contributed materially to the success achieved in combat by his organization, reflecting distinct credit on Corporal RIESINGER and on the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

EDWARD C. TRELLE, 36509553, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 16 April 1945, in the vicinity of Poemmerich and Dortmund, Germany. During the operation which carried Company E in a relentless advance from Poemmerich to Dortmund, Technical Sergeant TRELLE consistently distinguished himself as a fearless and devoted leader. His calm, intrepid conduct under fire was constantly inspiring to his comrades. His resourceful initiative and great courage in leading patrols deep into enemy territory contributed materially to the successful accomplishment of numerous missions, reflecting distinct credit on Technical Sergeant TRELLE and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

HEROLD W. OESTREICH, 39473994, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Karlsdorf Farm, Germany. When the combined fire of three German tanks and many snipers seriously hindered his platoon's advance, Private First Class OESTREICH voluntarily sought to cross three hundred yards of open terrain under intense enemy fire to direct tanks and reinforcements to the scene. Although seriously wounded by mortar fire, he continued his heroic mission until he contacted the tanks and furnished vital information as to the enemy's location. Private First Class OESTREICH'S valiant devotion to duty typifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Washington.

HOWARD F. VAN NORTON, 32942545, Corporal (then Private First Class), INF, Company H, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 24 January 1945, in the vicinity of Frcalautern, Germany. Messenger of a heavy machine gun platoon, Corporal VAN NORTON completely disregarded his own safety to repair a severed telephone line which served as the only means of communication to a machine gun section occupying an exposed forward position. As he checked the wire line he was seriously wounded by sniper fire but he gallantly continued his mission and restored communications before seeking medical aid. The courage and determination which he displayed exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on Corporal VAN NORTON. Entered military service from New York.

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ARTHUR R. MONTGOMERY, 36353524, Corporal, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the arduous combat action in which his heavy weapons company was engaged Corporal MONTGOMERY served intrepidly and devotedly as transportation corporal. At Ensdorf, he repeatedly braved the heavy mortar and artillery shelling which pounded Company H's only supply route over the Saar River to lead carrying parties with ammunition and rations essential to the maintenance of the bridgehead. Corporal MONTGOMERY'S heroic and determined service contributed greatly to the combat success achieved by Company H, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

RENE G. PARKER, 33562074, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 April 1945 to 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. Throughout the clearing of the Ruhr Pocket Private First Class PARKER worked unceasingly to maintain vital communications lines between the Third Battalion command post and assault elements. Time after time braving intense artillery and small arms fire to install and maintain vital wire lines, he was wounded by shell fragments on one occasion but doggedly continued his task until the final attack mission was accomplished. His courageous and steadfast devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Private First Class PARKER. Entered military service from Maryland.

JESSE L. CLAIR, 35464767, Staff Sergeant (Then Technician 4th Grade), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Armorer artificer, Staff Sergeant CLAIR volunteered to lay wire when the Third Battalion's wire section became seriously depleted by casualties. Despite severe artillery and mortar barrages he daringly advanced with the attacking platoons and maintained communications throughout the assault. His great personal courage and initiative in undertaking and accomplishing unfamiliar duties under hazardous conditions reflect distinct credit on Staff Sergeant CLAIR and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

MILLARD F. SLAGLE, 33842573, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Ensdorf, Germany. Serving as a member of the Third Battalion ammunition squad throughout an arduous period of combat, Private First Class SLAGLE exposed himself repeatedly to hostile artillery, mortar and small arms fire to supply attacking rifle companies with ammunition. From 3 December 1944 to 6 December 1944, while acting as squad leader, he effectively established and maintained an ammunition supply point in Lisdorf, near the Saar River. Private First Class SLAGLE'S staunch leadership and resolute devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

FLOYD A. SMITH, 37213242, Staff Sergeant (Then Technician Fourth Grade), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Ger-

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many. During the fierce fighting in Emsdorf, Staff Sergeant SMITH, then company first cook, heroically aided the Third Battalion in its offensive operations by manning a fifty-caliber machine gun. Placing his weapon many times on line with attacking riflemen and operating almost constantly under artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he delivered consistently effective support in the repeated assaults undertaken during this period. The aggressiveness and courage displayed by Staff Sergeant SMITH typify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Kansas.

PETER W. TRAKAS, 35051577, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Carrying seventy pounds of ammunition, Private First Class TRAKAS voluntarily crossed the Saar River and made his way over five hundred yards of fire-raked terrain to an attacking rifle company. While crossing the dangerously exposed area, he was forced by constant enemy artillery, mortar and rifle fire to creep and crawl almost the entire distance but he valiantly persisted until his dangerous mission was successfully completed. Private First Class TRAKAS' courageous deed is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Ohio.

MAX WOLFE, 36878120, Private, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 17 January 1945, in France and Germany. As battalion liaison driver during a period of bitter fighting, Private WOLFE made frequent trips between the battalion and regimental command posts over shell-torn roads under heavy artillery and mortar fire to deliver messages and to report exact conditions and locations. The undeviating devotion to duty displayed by Private WOLFE throughout this difficult period contributed materially to the success achieved in battle by the Third Battalion, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT L. ZWOYER, 33371230, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Throughout ten days of furious offensive activity Private First Class ZWOYER, a radio telephone operator, succeeded in maintaining communications with Cannon Company's observation post. On several occasions he fearlessly went out into heavy shell fire and under direct enemy observation to repair breaks in the communications lines. The heroic service which he gave permitted continuous, accurate fire on the enemy's positions during a critical time and reflects great credit on Private First Class ZWOYER and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

LESTER A. SCHULTZ, 36248654, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 22 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

BERTIS E. RUSSELL, 35485859, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

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MYRON E. MC CLINTOCK, 01285261, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 March 1945 to 2 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT L. MERRIFIELD, 35316057, Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

DWIGHT TEETER, 37421462, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

BOLESŁAW J. NOWAK, 36356452, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE E. BLACKWOOD, 37288116, Master Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

CHESTER L. HOBSON, 36509052, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILMER R. HOFFMAN, 36249852, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CHARLES E. LAWRENCE, 34445937, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

JAMES J. MC KENZIE, 36015538, First Sergeant, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 23 December 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT W. CASE, 0391123, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

BENJAMIN ZIMNIS, 36356939, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

FEDOR C. FELIX, 20909191, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company F, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 November 1944 to 29 November 1944. Entered military service from California.

CHARLES R. HENDERSON, 35365183, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

FERMAN W. D. SMITH, 37244379, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

JACK RUDIN, 32968372, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

RAYMOND H. DUCHESNE, 31430973, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 21 December 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOHN M. DUFFY JR, 01706076, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 3 April 1945 to 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOSEPH WASULESKI, 6914878, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOSEPH D. POLIZZOTTO, 36600166, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

KENNETH H. GOODMAN, 35520886, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

GEORGE W. MITCHELL JR, 37209961, Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 October 1944 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:



CHARLES C. WALSH, 01285343, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from California;

OK V. AMENDMENT. So much of Section I, General Orders Number 43, this Headquarters, 12 December 1944, pertaining to PRICE O. HOVERMALE, 33842557, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, as reads: "for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944" is amended to read: "for gallantry in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944".

OK VI. AMENDMENT. So much of Section I, General Orders Number 43, this Headquarters, 12 December 1944, pertaining to JEROME H. KREUNEN, 36950309, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, as reads: "for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944" is amended to read: "for gallantry in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944".

OK VII. AMENDMENT. So much of Section I, General Orders Number 7, this Headquarters, 10 January 1945, pertaining to ELVAIN E. DOGGETT, 38035022, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, as reads: "for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944" is amended to read: "for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 November 1944".

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

ROBERT L. DUNCAN, 36506817, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Gambetta, France. After repeatedly firing rifle grenades at a strongly exposed machine gun whose vicious fire pinned down his platoon, Technical Sergeant DUNCAN intrepidly crawled forward to within close range and tossed two hand grenades, eliminating both weapon and crew. Then, following a vain attempt to silence a second machine gun, he was attempting to throw a fragmentation grenade from a dangerously exposed position when he was fired on and killed instantly. Technical Sergeant DUNCAN'S superb gallantry exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on him. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

MERLETT F. FELDMAN, 31358409, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Augustdorf, Germany. When his platoon sergeant was wounded during an advance, Technician Fourth Grade FELDMAN immediately administered first aid under direct hostile observation and searching small arms fire. Then, proceeding across a large, coverless area to treat another soldier, he himself was painfully wounded but he refused evacuation and gallantly continued to administer first aid to his comrades. Finally after five hours of heroic effort he submitted to evacuation. His valiant, devoted actions reflect great credit on Technician Fourth Grade FELDMAN and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

MILLARD V. MC MILLAN, 35770224, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Augustdorf, Germany. Observing soldiers lying wounded one hundred and fifty yards away, Technician Fourth Grade MC MILLAN intrepidly moved through furious enemy fire to the side of one seriously wounded man. Braving the direct fire of SS snipers, he coolly administered life-saving first aid. Later, he went out into the continuing fire and treated four more casualties who lay in open, exposed locations. His courage and selfless devotion to his wounded comrades typify the highest traditions of the Medical Department and reflect great credit on Technician Fourth Grade MC MILLAN. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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ANTHONY F. GARBARGZYK, 36009634, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Augustdorf, Germany. Advancing for two thousand yards at the head of a tank-infantry column, Private First Class GARBARGZYK assisted valiantly in clearing a stubbornly defended roadway. After he and two comrades killed seven Germans at one point and eliminated three others a few minutes later, he joined seven companions to engage an entrenched group of hostile soldiers, killing nine and routing the survivors. There, while continuing his dauntless efforts, he received two wounds which forced his evacuation. Private First Class GARBARGZYK'S fearless conduct in battle reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EDWARD G. HORVATH, 01325991, Captain, INF, Company F, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 and 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Augustdorf, Germany. After leading his company across two hundred yards of open, swept terrain to seize a fortified house, Captain HORVATH continued continuing heavy fire to direct the capture of other fanatically defended buildings. Then, defying numerous enemy troops in the immediate area, he led his squad in destroying a hostile tank which guarded a vital intersection, enabling his company to complete the capture of Augustdorf. His gallant leadership contributed directly to the accomplishment of a difficult mission, reflecting great credit on Captain HORVATH and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILHELM S. SIBERT, 36965290, Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Sankt-Barn-Roden, Germany. Leading a combat patrol in a bold attack on an enemy-held fortified house, Sergeant SIBERT daringly dashed forward after a supporting mortar bombardier blasted a hole in the building's wall. Throwing grenades as he ran, he quickly eliminated two enemy machine gunners. Then, drawing fire from the bastion, he hurled two grenades down the steps, forcing thirty-one Germans to surrender. Sergeant SIBERT'S valiant skill in combat is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM S. HULSELL, 35488112, Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. With both his platoon leader and sergeant wounded and his platoon pinned down by vicious machine gun fire during an attack on a minefield, Sergeant HULSELL ordered an automatic rifleman to direct flanking fire on the hostile gun emplacement. Then, with rifle blazing, he advanced through the minefield under the terrible fire and, despite a painful wound, he did not hesitate until he destroyed the German gun and its crew. Sergeant HULSELL'S valiant deed reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WILSON DICK, 37286600, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. Observing several comrades killed as they attempted to destroy an enemy machine gun with hand grenades, Staff Sergeant DICK courageously made his way to within twenty yards of the weapon whose fierce fire immobilized his platoon. First hurling a flawlessly aimed grenade which destroyed the machine gun and its crew, he advanced relentlessly on the position and eliminated the two remaining crew members as they sought to flee from the emplacement. His

courage and skill in combat reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant DYKE and typify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

JOHN J. MULROONEY, 31433983, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany. When intense machine gun and rifle fire halted his platoon's advance, Private First Class MULROONEY boldly advanced to eliminate the enemy's key weapon, emplaced in a farm house. With an associate, he braved the vicious enfilade and, firing his rifle continuously, he closed with the enemy. In the brief, furious fire fight, he silenced the machine gun, killed one German and took three prisoners. Private First Class MULROONEY'S gallant deed exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROMAN R. PALLADINO, 32756438, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Merklingsen, Germany. When Private First Class PALLADINO'S squad leader prepared to launch a rifle grenade at a German light tank, he failed to observe that an enemy soldier in the turret was aiming a machine pistol at him. Unhesitatingly throwing himself on the squad leader, Private First Class PALLADINO knocked him out of the line of fire. Then, quickly opening fire with his automatic rifle, he forced the tank to retreat. The courage and daring of his action reflects great credit on Private First Class PALLADINO and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

HARRY E. HORROCKS, 36168277, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. Assuming command when his section sergeant was wounded in a heavy artillery barrage, Technical Sergeant HORROCKS quickly directed his heavy machine guns into position to support an advancing rifle company. Later, when hostile machine gun fire wounded him and killed his companion while they were on reconnaissance, he ignored his wound and intrepidly moved forward under the hail of bullets to hurl three grenades into the emplacement, destroying the entire crew. His gallant initiative and leadership typify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Technical Sergeant HORROCKS. Entered military service from Michigan.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LUTHER L. PLUMB, 15064298, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 and 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Berweiler, Germany. Throughout two days of almost constant enemy artillery and mortar shelling Private First Class PLUMB repeatedly risked his life to install and maintain wire communications to assault elements of the Second Battalion. On one occasion, he restored two hundred yards of completely destroyed wire while continuously exposed to hostile fire which killed one man and wounded four. His heroic performance of duty at the risk of his life exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class PLUMB. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ROBERT E. CAULFIELD, 35411226, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 November 1944 to 2 January 1945, in France and Germany. Serving as communications sergeant for Company F until he was wounded on 2 January 1945, Staff Sergeant CAULFIELD distinguished himself by his courageous and energetic performance of duty. Establishing a closely knit and efficient communications section within his organization, he succeeded in maintaining communications during the most difficult combat situations. His heroic actions throughout an arduous period of combat contributed greatly to the operational efficiency of his company, reflecting distinct credit on Staff Sergeant CAULFIELD and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RICHARD N. CAMPSHURE, 36249341, Corporal, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 10 March 1945, in France and Germany. During five months of arduous combat the service of Corporal CAMPSHURE in Company F's communications section was distinguished by a high order of courage and initiative. Twice wounded in action himself, he assumed full responsibility for the section when the communications sergeant was wounded and performed his duties with consistent skill and devotion despite the adversities of combat. Corporal CAMPSHURE'S heroic, determined service reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

BENJAMIN B. HERTZ, 01384872, First Lieutenant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. As reconnaissance officer of his heavy weapons company, First Lieutenant HERTZ on numerous occasions courageously disregarded heavy enemy shelling to reconnoiter Company H's weapons into effective positions. When his commanding officer was wounded during a violent mortar barrage, he assumed command and by his calm, determined leadership rallied the company into an effective fighting force delivering vital supporting fire. His resolute performance over a trying period of combat reflects distinct credit on First Lieutenant HERTZ, and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

IRVING C. NEMECEK, 35518352, Technical Sergeant, (then Sergeant), INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France and Germany. Serving intrepidly as section leader and, later, as platoon sergeant of a heavy machine gun platoon during many months of combat, Technical Sergeant NEMECEK consistently provided highly effective supporting fire for attacking riflemen. Assuming command when his section leader was killed at Thionville, he led his men across the Moselle River and by his staunch leadership contributed greatly to the successful completion of the group's first combat missions. Technical Sergeant NEMECEK'S heroic devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Ohio.

LYNWOOD C. LUNDSTROM, 37209935, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France and Emsdorf, Germany. Staff Sergeant LUNDSTROM consistently

performed his duty as supply sergeant of Company H in a valiant, determined manner, on many occasions braving intense hostile fire to deliver supplies and ammunition to his comrades. During the period 9 December 1944 to 19 December 1944 he repeatedly exposed himself to terrific artillery and mortar fire to cross the Saar River with rations and ammunition for his company in Ensdorf. His heroic actions under fire exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on Staff Sergeant LUNDSTROM. Entered military service from Kansas.

JOHN ZUBEI JR, 35318737, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 and 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. A member of the Third Battalion's ammunition and pioneer platoon, Private First Class ZUBEI distinguished himself by his daring performance of duty during the intense fighting along the Lippe River. Participating many times in ammunition carrying parties and reconnaissance groups, he was never deterred by heavy enemy artillery, machine gun and rifle fire from completing his missions in a superior manner. Private First Class ZUBEI'S intrepid, courageous service reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOHN S. SKORONSKY, 01307927, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. As S-2 of the Third Battalion during the reduction of the Ruhr Pocket, First Lieutenant SKORONSKY kept his commanding officer continuously informed as to enemy deployment and strength. Personally leading numerous patrols into enemy-held territory to obtain specific data on the location of the opposing arms, on one occasion he directed his men in taking twenty-three prisoners after a violent fire fight. First Lieutenant SKORONSKY'S courageous, skilled service is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

GEORGE L. MOORE, 36600861, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Throughout the assault on Metz Private First Class MOORE sorted with heroic courage as a member of the Third Battalion's ammunition and pioneer platoon, striving unceasingly to furnish adequate supplies of ammunition to attacking elements. While unloading an ammunition truck on the day his unit entered Metz, he was wounded by enemy small arms fire but he dauntlessly continued until his task was completed before submitting to evacuation. His valorous devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class MOORE. Entered military service from Illinois.

LEONARD W. JOHNSON, 35797519, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm and Dortmund, Germany. A member of the Third Battalion's wire section Private First Class JOHNSON distinguished himself by his high courage and devotion to duty while installing and maintaining wire lines while advancing with assault elements. On numerous occasions he completely disregarded his own safety while completing assignments under constant mortar,

machine gun and small arms fire. The fortitude and determination displayed by Private First Class JOHNSON under fire reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WILLIAM T. BLUE, 16101658, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 23 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Emsdorf, Germany. In his bold search for information on enemy activities Private First Class BLUE repeatedly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire while serving as scout and observer in the Third Battalion's intelligence section. By his fearless efforts to seek out and verify information concerning hostile deployment and movement he risked his life on many occasions to render invaluable aid to his organization. Private First Class BLUE'S courageous initiative and unswerving determination typify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM J. O'CONNOR, 32960738, Sergeant, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rhynern, Germany. After three members of his squad were hit during a violent fire fight, Sergeant O'CONNOR was advancing to administer first aid to the casualties when an exploding German grenade wounded the soldier accompanying him. After quickly hurling a grenade into the nearby enemy position, Sergeant O'CONNOR crawled twenty yards through continuing heavy small arms fire to the casualties, bandaged their wounds and assisted them to safer positions. His dauntless actions reflect distinct credit on Sergeant O'CONNOR and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

HUNTER S. ACKIS, 0414268, Captain, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the bitter fighting in which Cannon Company participated the service of Captain ACKIS as commanding officer was distinguished by resolute leadership and courageous initiative. With the platoons of his company constantly deployed throughout the regimental area he repeatedly braved fierce hostile fire to supervise the vital supporting fire delivered in support of advancing riflemen. The aggressive and inspiring leadership given by Captain ACKIS contributed greatly to the success achieved in combat by Cannon Company, reflecting distinct credit on him and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

GROVER E. BRAY, 35486628, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 1 April 1945, in France and Germany. Private First Class BRAY displayed heroic determination in unerringly maintaining contact between the forward observation party and Cannon Company's command post during five months of arduous combat. Although often separated from the forward observation party by enemy action, he repeatedly risked his life in proceeding through the intervening hostile forces to deliver important messages and supplies. Private First Class BRAY'S valiant service contributed materially to the success won by his unit in combat, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WILLIAM R. GRAVES, 01284657, Captain, INF, Anti-Tank Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. As commanding officer of Anti-Tank Company, Captain GRAVES distinguished himself by his resolute leadership and courageous initiative during an extended period of heavy fighting. Repeatedly braving violent enemy fire to supervise closely the operations of his command, he contributed greatly to the outstanding success achieved in combat by Anti-Tank Company. The courage and determination displayed by Captain GRAVES under fire are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from California.

FRANK L. MC LEOD, 0387631, Captain, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM R. GUIDENSON, 36248807, First Sergeant, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANCIS F. STINE, 33243175, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 March 1945 to 10 March 1945, and April 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

SEANLEY C. MILES, 02049027, Second Lieutenant, MAC, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 3 April 1945 to 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 24, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

RICHARD T. FIEBIGER, 37286988, Sergeant, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Korn, Germany. When four vehicles of Company M were subjected to an intense concentration of enemy shelling, damaging two vehicles and wounding three men, Sergeant FIEBIGER and a comrade courageously went out into the continuing fire to evacuate the casualties. After removing the wounded men from their perilous position, the two men braved the vicious barrage again to drive the vehicles to safety. The great personal courage displayed by Sergeant FIEBIGER on this occasion reflects distinct credit on him and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

JOSEPH P. LIEBE, 36248923, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ost-Tunnen, Germany. When the rifle and machine gun platoons supported were stopped by fierce hostile resistance, Technical Sergeant LIEBE exposed himself to intense machine gun and



small arms fire to reveal the enemy's camouflaged positions to his gunners. Although subjected to direct fire, he boldly continued his heroic efforts until twenty-eight Germans surrendered and the riflemen resumed their advance. The fearless and inspiring leadership given by Technical Sergeant LIEBE on this occasion exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANK PORNOVETZ JR, 32567709, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Korne, Germany. When four vehicles of Company M were subjected to an intense concentration of enemy shelling, damaging two vehicles and wounding three men, Staff Sergeant PORNOVETZ and a comrade courageously went out into the continuing fire to evacuate the casualties. After removing the wounded men from their perilous position, the two men braved the vicious barrage again to drive the vehicles to safety. The great personal courage displayed by Staff Sergeant PORNOVETZ on this occasion reflects distinct credit on him and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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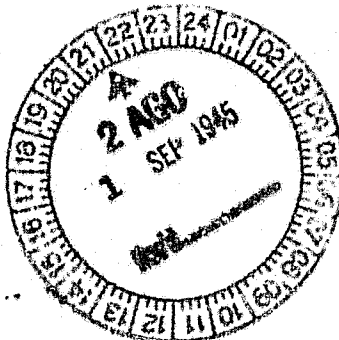
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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

JOSEPH M. HORAK, 36977542, Private, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville et Rierange, France. When terrible fire from two machine guns threatened his company during an attack on hostile fortifications, Private HORAK intrepidly charged one emplacement and destroyed four Germans. Undaunted by wounds suffered in the direct fire of the second weapon, he continued his heroic assault, killing one gunner and wounding several more. As he sought to capture the wounded Germans, he came under the murderous fire again and was killed. The supreme gallantry of his actions exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on Private HORAK. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

HARRY M. DYER, 33887516, Private First Class, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville et Rierange, France. Although withering machine gun fire from a pillbox forced his squad to cover while pursuing a group of Germans, Private First Class DYER daringly exposed himself to the hail of bullets to deliver deadly automatic rifle fire on the fleeing enemy, killing nine. Then, after nine more emerged from the pillbox to surrender, he calmly directed his prisoners' withdrawal despite the swooping fire of two nearby pillboxes. His valiant skill in combat reflects great credit on Private First Class DYER and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

EDWARD A. GIDNER, 36977105, Sergeant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During an attack on fiercely defended enemy positions Sergeant GIDNER valorously exposed himself to severe mortar and machine gun fire to aid a fallen comrade. As he proceeded toward the casualty he was forced to make his way through direct hostile fire but he courageously continued on his self-chosen mission until he succeeded in removing the wounded man to a position where immediate evacuation was effected. Sergeant GIDNER'S gallant deed typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Michigan.

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VELNON D. HERRITT, 35083583, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. As Private First Class HERRITT'S platoon dismounted from the tanks of a spearhead unit when caught in a sudden artillery barrage, the men were pinned down by violent machine gun fire from an enemy bunker before they could reach cover. Fearlessly disdaining the vicious enfilade, Private First Class HERRITT stormed the position frontally and forced the capitulation of the garrison by his deadly rifle fire and accurately-hurled grenades. His gallant, determined conduct reflects great credit on Private First Class HERRITT and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

TRAVIS JOHNSON, 34230030, Staff Sergeant, (then Sergeant), INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Boldly opening fire on a twelve-man patrol seeking to infiltrate the advance outpost manned by him and two comrades, Staff Sergeant JOHNSON killed four with his first salvo and dispersed the survivors into a cemetery. Intrepidly following the fleeing Germans, he and his men mercilessly stalked them throughout the graveyard and with grenades and automatic rifle fire killed one, wounded two and captured the five remaining. Staff Sergeant JOHNSON'S superb skill in combat exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Louisiana.

CRONER L. HABERNIGG, 33887743, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Niedereimer, Germany. Advancing ahead of a patrol while acting as first sergeant, Private First Class HABERNIGG was fired on by Germans occupying a well-fortified stronghold. Without hesitation he returned fire and moved close into the building, killing two of the garrison, compelling the hasty surrender of nineteen more and capturing four light machine guns. The fearless aggressiveness he displayed in single-handedly eliminating a menacing enemy fortification typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class HABERNIGG. Entered military service from Virginia.

ERNEST J. PACZKO, 35315932, Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. In the face of a powerful counter-attack by enemy infantry and armor, Sergeant PACZKO calmly manned his heavy machine gun, defying direct artillery, machine gun and rifle fire to eliminate several German soldiers. Miraculously surviving the explosion of a shell which set his gun, he quickly replaced his weapon and continued furnishing the fire so vital in repelling successfully the hostile counter-blow. Sergeant PACZKO'S dauntless courage in battle is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Ohio.

LARENCE H. GROVE, 01303498, First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Occupying an observation post beyond the most advanced rifle elements and subjected to an unceasing mortar and artillery barrage, First Lieutenant GROVE intrepidly directed devastating mortar fire on enemy tanks and infantry assembling for a counter-attack. After annihilating a group of German riflemen who occupied a house ten yards away, he then returned his destructive fire to the assembling forces, disorganizing them completely. First Lieutenant GROVE'S determined and aggressive actions under fire reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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WALTER S. FRAZER, 36480989, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company r, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout six months of fierce fighting Staff Sergeant FRAZER distinguished himself by his repeated acts of gallantry. On 2 December 1944, when his patrol's lead scout was lying wounded under sweeping machine gun fire, he and another soldier braved the deadly hail of bullets to administer first aid and remove the casualty to safety. His superb courage and combat skill contributed directly to the success achieved in battle by his company, reflecting great credit on Staff Sergeant FRAZER and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

DAVID W. BUTNER, 38684299, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company G participated Private First Class BUTNER served with conspicuous gallantry, repeatedly risking his life to perform vital assignments. At Woippy, on 16 November 1944, he and one comrade charged a menacing enemy stronghold in the face of deadly small arms fire, forcing an entrance into the building and pressing the assault with such vigor that eleven Germans surrendered. His valiant skill in battle contributed directly to his company's success, reflecting great credit on Private First Class BUTNER and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

FLOYD T. HAYNIE, 38664254, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the fierce fighting in which Company G participated Private First Class HAYNIE served with conspicuous gallantry, repeatedly risking his life to perform vital assignments. At Woippy, on 16 November 1944, he and one comrade charged a menacing enemy stronghold in the face of deadly small arms fire, forcing an entrance into the building and pressing the assault with such vigor that eleven Germans surrendered. His valiant skill in battle contributed directly to his company's success, reflecting great credit on Private First Class HAYNIE and on the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

WALTER C. WARNEY, 11097670, Private First Class, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. To eliminate the destructive flanking fire of four German machine gunners on his platoon as it moved over open terrain under an intense barrage, Private First Class WARNEY first directed two volunteers to provide continuous covering fire. Then, crawling seventy-five yards through the terrible fire, he reached an advantageous position from which he rushed on the emplacement with rifle blazing, killing three Germans and wounding the survivor. His valiant action exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class WARNEY. Entered military service from Maine.

IV. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. United States Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

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LIONEL J. DUQUETTE, 31468985, Private First Class, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Member of a seven-man patrol, Private First Class DUQUETTE courageously made his way across five hundred yards of open terrain toward Klotingen. Although subjected to violent fire by enemy elements in well-concealed positions when one hundred yards from the outskirts of the town, he and his comrades aggressively completed their mission and captured two prisoners before withdrawing. Later that day, he was killed in action. Private First Class DUQUETTE'S complete devotion to duty typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

HAROLD E. BLADES, 35839444, Private, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Member of a seven-man patrol, Private BLADES courageously made his way across five hundred yards of open terrain toward Klotingen. Although subjected to violent fire by enemy elements in well-concealed positions when one hundred yards from the outskirts of the town, he and his comrades aggressively completed their mission and captured two prisoners before withdrawing. Private BLADES' courage and calmness under fire reflect distinct credit on him and typify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CHESTER L. SIDES, 37373191, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Attached to a rifle company during the assault on the forts encircling Metz, Sergeant SIDES displayed determined courage when, armed with a Bangalore torpedo, he accompanied the first assault wave. Confronted with barbed wire entanglements which completely halted the advance, he emplaced his charge so skillfully that a path was immediately cleared. Throughout the fierce engagement, his heroic, resolute actions contributed greatly to the success achieved by the First Battalion, reflecting distinct credit on Sergeant SIDES and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

RALPH W. BOHN, 36357588, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hongson, Germany. When a halted convoy came under a heavy artillery barrage and one truck loaded with ammunition was hit and set on fire, Technician Fifth Grade BOHN voluntarily assisted in removing endangered vehicles from the immediate vicinity. Courageously braving the continuous barrage and the menace of exploding ammunition of all types, he succeeded in driving a jeep and an armored car to safety. Technician Fifth Grade BOHN'S staunch devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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HAROLD M. FERTIG, 37449250, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippborg, Germany. Unhesitatingly setting out to repair a vital telephone line along the south bank of the Lippe River, Technician Fifth Grade FERTIG disregarded physical exhaustion and the ever-present menace of enemy elements to accomplish his mission. Forced to recross the river and examine the entire circuit, he heroically persevered at his task until communications were restored. His courageous deed contributed directly to his battalion's success in an attack the following morning, reflecting high credit on Technician Fifth Grade FERTIG and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

HANSFORD MOBLEY, 34375081, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sondorn, Germany. When a comrade became snarled in the tangled branches of a hedgerow and was helplessly immobilized in the face of murderous German machine gun fire, Private First Class MOBLEY immediately rushed to his aid. Heroically disdainful of the bullets furrowing the ground about him, he quickly hacked the chaining branches away and the two men crawled safely into a nearby ditch. Private First Class MOBLEY'S alert and courageous actions on this occasion are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Tennessee.

NOAH H. SMITH, 35075188, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sondorn, Germany. Suspicious of the accuracy of heavy enemy artillery fire which pounded Company B during an attack, Private First Class SMITH and another soldier began searching for hostile communications lines and continued their efforts despite the incessant shelling until the wires were located and severed. Then, the two men intrepidly followed the wire line to the enemy observation post which they relentlessly destroyed. The courageous initiative displayed by Private First Class SMITH in eliminating the enemy's means of fire direction reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ERNEST K. MAGRI, 32591444, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. To establish an observation post from which he could direct mortar fire on threatening enemy elements, Staff Sergeant MAGRI boldly laid a telephone line across four hundred yards of open, fire-swept terrain. Reaching the chosen location in spite of scorching fire from enemy snipers, he adjusted such effective mortar fire from his hazardous position that a machine gun nest was destroyed and numerous casualties were inflicted on the enemy. Staff Sergeant MAGRI'S heroic devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JOHN J. HAMROCK, 02000133, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 January 1945 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Second Lieutenant HAMROCK distinguished himself by his resolute leadership and great personal courage during a period in which Company C was engaged in arduous combat at Saarlautern, Urdingen and in the Ruhr Valley.

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Throughout the gruelling campaign to reduce the Ruhr pocket, he led his platoon in the forward elements of repeated attacks, executing brilliantly every mission assigned. His fearless, inspiring devotion to duty is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Second Lieutenant H. ROCK. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROYCE D. DICKERSON, 36249537, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 11 December 1944, and from 10 February 1945 to 15 April 1945, in France, Belgium and Germany. Throughout many months of bitter fighting Staff Sergeant DICKERSON contributed outstandingly to Company E's success by his repeatedly heroic deeds as leader of both a rifle squad and a mortar section. Under his staunch, resourceful leadership, his men consistently accomplished their assigned missions in a superior manner. Staff Sergeant DICKERSON'S valiant and determined devotion to duty over a long period of combat is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CHARLES E. HOLDEN, 36887439, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Heeren-Wurvol, Germany. Advancing toward a German prison camp in the face of intense hostile artillery fire, Private First Class HOLDEN and another soldier approached the installation with such audacity and aggressiveness that the twenty-seven German guards surrendered without resistance. Then, braving the continuing barrage, the two men quickly freed the Russian prisoners and returned with the captured Germans to their company. His fearless conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on Private First Class HOLDEN and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

MARTIN J. KELLY, 37724835, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Heeren-Wurvol, Germany. Advancing toward a German prison camp in the face of intense hostile artillery fire, Private First Class KELLY and another soldier approached the installation with such audacity and aggressiveness that the twenty-seven German guards surrendered without resistance. Then, braving the continuing barrage, the two men quickly freed the Russian prisoners and returned with the captured Germans to their company. His fearless conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on Private First Class KELLY and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

JAMES H. BEARDSLEY, 19153451, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 24 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Rodon, Germany. Intrepidly advancing across shell-cratered terrain snarled with barbed wire entanglements, Staff Sergeant BEARDSLEY skillfully led a three-man patrol, heavily laden with explosives, to an enemy bunker which was to be secured and demolished. Undaunted by constant machine gun fire, he and his men quickly seized the fortification and two Germans holding it. Then, the bunker was completely destroyed by effectively laid explosives. Staff Sergeant BEARDSLEY'S courageous and aggressive leadership exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from California.

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JACK R. SPALDING, 36509636, First Sergeant, (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company F, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kanon, Germany. With one platoon of Company F pinned down by terrible machine gun and rifle fire, First Sergeant SPALDING led a heavy machine gun section through a hail of snipers' bullets to a good vantage point. Then, he directed such sustained and accurate fire on the enemy emplacements that the platoon was able to take its objective and capture eighteen Germans. The courageous resourcefulness displayed by First Sergeant SPALDING on this occasion reflects great credit on him and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

MATTHEW H. CROSBY, 36184924, Sergeant, INF, Company G, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Brackel, Germany. Sergeant CROSBY displayed heroic leadership when his squad, engaged in clearing several buildings, received dangerous flanking machine gun fire. Acting quickly, he advanced with several men against the hostile position, attacking it with such vigor and determination that the emplacement and six Germans were seized by the group without suffering a casualty. His bold, alert conduct under fire exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Sergeant CROSBY. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM C. WOODRICH, 01329656, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hultrop, Germany. To provide close overhead supporting fire for advancing riflemen, Second Lieutenant WOODRICH boldly led a machine gun section six hundred yards under intense artillery, machine gun and rifle fire to a building. Placing two guns in open windows, he and his section leader proceeded to deliver fiercely effective fire, enabling the riflemen to overrun many hostile positions and seize Hultrop without a casualty. His resolute leadership and intrepid actions reflect distinct credit on Second Lieutenant WOODRICH and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

AUGUST L. JUNTZ, 36247502, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hultrop, Germany. To provide close overhead supporting fire for advancing riflemen, Staff Sergeant JUNTZ and his platoon leader boldly led a machine gun section six hundred yards under intense artillery, machine gun and rifle fire to a building. Placing two guns in open windows, he and the platoon leader proceeded to deliver fiercely effective fire, enabling the riflemen to overrun many hostile positions and seize Hultrop without casualty. His resolute leadership and intrepid actions reflect credit on Staff Sergeant JUNTZ and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

MATTHEW T. MARCELLO JR, 0541756, First Lieutenant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hultrop, Germany. Courageously moving across six hundred yards of coverless shell-pounded terrain, First Lieutenant MARCELLO reached a house from which he could observe enemy activity. Then, quickly directing mortar fire on numerous hostile positions, he effectively blanketed the area, inflicting such heavy losses on the enemy that assault forces were able to take Hultrop without a casualty. The heroic service which he gave exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on First Lieutenant MARCELLO. Entered military service from Rhode Island.



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ORVAL HUNT, 35848377, Private First Class, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Krefold, Germany. Private First Class HUNT and another soldier daringly moved their machine guns to dangerously exposed positions when severe artillery, mortar and machine gun fire forced their comrades to seek cover. Intrepidly firing on the strongly emplaced enemy, their sudden, accurate bursts exacted a heavy toll of casualties among the hostile troops and compelled many others to surrender. Private First Class HUNT'S valiant action at the risk of his life reflects distinct credit on him and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

BILLIE D. FERGUSON, 37697926, Private First Class, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 March 1945, in the vicinity of Krefold, Germany. Private First Class FERGUSON and another soldier daringly moved their machine guns to dangerously exposed positions when severe artillery, mortar and machine gun fire forced their comrades to seek cover. Intrepidly firing on the strongly emplaced enemy, their sudden, accurate bursts exacted a heavy toll of casualties among the hostile troops and compelled many others to surrender. Private First Class FERGUSON'S valiant action at the risk of his life reflects distinct credit on him and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

SAMANTON C. GIFTOS, 01061114, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Untrop, Germany. Braving devastating fire of two hostile eighty-eight millimeter guns, Second Lieutenant GIFTOS skillfully led a squad across a flat, marshy field four hundred yards wide in a heroic attempt to eliminate the enemy weapons. Flanking the German positions, he then organized a relentless attack in which the enemy troops and their menacing guns were seized. The courageous leadership and initiative given by Second Lieutenant GIFTOS on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROY R. MC KEAN, 37422633, Sergeant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hoerdt, Germany. Sergeant MC KEAN displayed heroic courage when, with another soldier, he went out into an artillery barrage to recover a wounded comrade. Although constantly harassed by the flying shrapnel, the two men succeeded in carrying the casualty to a safe place where immediate medical attention was available. Sergeant MC KEAN'S valiant action in risking his life for a comrade typifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Iowa.

THOMAS O. BUSCH, 36528956, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 March 1945, in the vicinity of Hoerdt, Germany.

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Voluntarily leaving a position of comparative safety, Private First Class BUSCH went out into a violent artillery barrage to the side of a wounded comrade lying in an open field. Unable to move the casualty due to the intensity of the shelling, he administered first aid until the firing ceased. Then, he carried the man to a place where evacuation was effected. Private First Class BUSCH'S courageous deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

RAEFIN S. RALOWITZ, 32966786, Private First Class, INF, Company K, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Berghofen, Germany. During Company K's drive to the Ruhr River, Private First Class RALOWITZ and another soldier courageously entered a house in Berghofen on their own initiative and seized a German officer and soldier. Then, forcing the two prisoners to lead them to other nearby houses where the officer's platoon was quartered, they captured twenty additional prisoners. His aggressive conduct exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Private First Class RALOWITZ. Entered military service from New York.

THOMAS E. BURDEN, 12216226, Sergeant (Then Private First Class) INF, Company K, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wellenhausen, Germany. Acting as a machine gun squad leader, Sergeant BURDEN manned a weapon placed in the window of a building which was being peppered by sniper fire. Fearlessly disregarding his own safety, he rained a deadly stream of bullets into a group of counter-attacking Germans, killing several and forcing the survivors to seek cover. Later the same day, his accurate rifle fire accounted for two more Germans. His skill in combat reflects distinct credit on Sergeant BURDEN and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JEMEL D. DEVINE, 35696212, Private First Class, INF, Company K, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Eilmson, Germany. When his platoon was harassed by two snipers' vicious fire during the attack on Eilmson, Private First Class DEVINE heroically volunteered to eliminate the menace. Running across two hundred yards of open terrain raked by hostile fire, he forced the snipers to surrender, removing a dangerous obstacle to his platoon's advance. The fortitude displayed by Private First Class DEVINE on this occasion typifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Kentucky.

LOUIS HUPSON, 37373162, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Entered military service from Missouri.

HENRY L. GERLANN, 35480492, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Entered military service from Indiana.

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MACK E. GREEN, 35437629, Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

JOHN S. DICHLAN, 30451856, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 3 December 1944 to 1 January 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

VI. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

A. J. AUGUSTINE, 01304659, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 October 1944, in the vicinity of Neuveant, France. To repair a telephone wire from Company E's observation post to the command post across the Moselle, First Lieutenant AUGUSTINE and a soldier twice crossed the river in a small boat despite the presence of enemy riflemen four hundred yards away. Exposed to constant hostile shelling for an hour, the two men courageously persisted at their task until the necessary repairs were made. First Lieutenant AUGUSTINE'S heroic, determined actions are in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Michigan.

RALPH E. CLARK, 33642505, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wolvar, Germany. Although his arm was broken when he stumbled in the darkness prior to Company B's crossing of the Lippe River, Private First Class CLARK refused to be evacuated and joined his unit in the attack. Relying on a comrade to reload his automatic rifle, he delivered deadly fire on the enemy throughout the successful assault and submitted to medical attention only in the last phase of the operation. His heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private First Class CLARK and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

WILLIAM R. THOMPSON, 6831450, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merten, France. Leading his platoon in a flanking attack on Merten, Technical Sergeant THOMPSON was felled by mortar shrapnel. His platoon faltered. Rising, Technical Sergeant THOMPSON rallied his men and pressed the attack. A few yards on, Technical Sergeant THOMPSON was hit by a sniper's bullet. Again he led his men. Just short of the objective he received a third and mortal wound. Inspired by Technical Sergeant THOMPSON'S heroic leadership, the platoon surged forward to the objective, killing or capturing an entire enemy company. The valor displayed by Technical Sergeant THOMPSON reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

TAMER P. GARNER, 36966986, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 26 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. ~~Determined to eliminate the sniper fire~~ constantly harassing his company, Staff Sergeant GARNER deliberately stood in a window to draw fire until he detected the sniper and killed him. Courageously repeating his fearless deed to destroy a second sniper, Staff Sergeant GARNER then remained vigilant at his post and eliminated several more Germans during an unsuccessful attack on his position. His valiant skill in combat typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant GARNER. Entered military service from Michigan.

GEORGE E. MOINEAU, 31080299, Technical Sergeant, (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 29 November 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Throughout the bitter action in St. Barbara, Technical Sergeant MOINEAU distinguished himself by his brilliant leadership of a heavy machine gun section and by repeated acts of personal heroism. Braving fierce sniper fire, he brought a seriously wounded comrade to safety and administered immediate first aid. Later,

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moving one hundred yards through an area directly menaced by counter-attacking German armor and infantry, he reorganized an isolated platoon and resolutely led it to his own strong position. His gallant leadership and superb courage reflect great credit on Technical Sergeant MOINEAU and on the military service. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

JAMES N. SUTTON, 01306656, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 8 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ansdorf, Germany. Throughout eleven nights of unceasing artillery barrages and murderous twenty-millimeter gun fire, First Lieutenant SUTTON boldly supervised and assisted numerous **carrying parties** in furnishing vital ammunition and supplies to the Second Battalion's assault elements, fighting across the Saar River. Directing also the difficult nightly ferrying of essential vehicles across the shell-menaced river, he enabled his organization to prosecute relentlessly its assault operations. First Lieutenant SUTTON'S daring and resourceful leadership during a crucial period exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Florida.

TOM P MC GUGAN, 01324561, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 31 March 1945 to 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Drensteinfurt, Germany. Assuming command of his company in the midst of battle, First Lieutenant MC GUGAN reorganized its scattered units and led his men in repeated daring assaults on stubbornly-resisting enemy positions. Time after time, he rallied his men in the face of intense panzerfaust, machine gun and rifle fire to sweep forward and overcome many German strongholds; inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy. His aggressive, inspiring leadership enabled his company to accomplish its important mission quickly, and with few losses, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

MICHAEL J. LACOVETTA, 42177497, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lamerskagen, Germany. Accompanied by six comrades, Private First Class LACOVETTA intrepidly advanced up a heavily-wooded slope to eliminate the enemy's murderous panzerfaust fire which seriously impeded a tank-infantry task force's progress. Surprising a large panzerfaust unit after moving two hundred yards, the courageous group attacked with startling suddenness, killing seven Germans, capturing four and routing the survivors while seizing fourteen panzerfausts. Private First Class LACOVETTA'S valiant skill in combat contributed greatly to the elimination of a bitterly-resisting German force, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

FREDERICK E. SCHOEN, 1209845, Private First Class, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wilhelmruh, Germany. Firing boldly with his carbine into a group of well-concealed enemy positions confronting him and his comrade as they proceeded through a wooded area, Private First Class SCHOEN compelled nineteen Germans to surrender by his daring fusillade. Observing other hostile elements moving into the abandoned position as he searched his prisoners, he unhesitatingly opened fire again, this time forcing twelve more Germans to surrender. The fearless gallantry he displayed exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class SCHOEN. Entered military service from New York.

ELROY J. RAUTMANN, 02006494, Second Lieutenant (Then Technical Sergeant) INF, Company F, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Met by exploding grenades and sniper fire upon entering an underground passageway on a voluntary mission to seek the surrender of Fort St. Julian, Second Lieutenant RAUTMANN aggressively forced the Germans defending the tunnel to capitulate. Fearlessly continuing and capturing several snipers as he advanced he entered the garrison commander's quarters and, by his determined demands, convinced the officer to surrender the fortress immediately. The audacity and courage of his actions reflect great credit on Second Lieutenant RAUTMANN and typify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JAMES T. EMERY, 36115805, Private, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Gallantly remaining at his weapon when the riflemen defending his heavy machine gun section's flanks were captured, Private EMERY killed five Germans menacing his position in the Fraulautern bridgehead. Although painfully wounded by the fierce bazooka fire delivered by the enemy from a building fifty yards away, he steadfastly continued his heroic defense, eliminating six more Germans before his weapon was destroyed and the house he occupied set on fire. His gallant perseverance reflects great credit on Private EMERY and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

FRANK J. SMITH JR, 32589827, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private First Class) INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Leading a wire team across five hundred yards of open, fire-raked terrain to reduce vital communications lines, Technician Fifth Grade SMITH had almost completed his mission when a thunderous barrage severed the newly laid wire in many places. He valiantly recrossed the hazardous terrain to a hidden supply point, obtained more wire, and then, crawling out into the fearsome fire, heroically persisted at his task until communications were fully restored. His gallant devotion to duty typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Technician Fifth Grade SMITH. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JOSEPH L. BROWN JR, 33920833, Private, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his platoon was ordered to cross a Moselle River bridge which was known to be mined and seize a bridgehead on the east bank, Private BROWN started across in spite of fierce machine gun and twenty-millimeter fire. Four comrades reached the German-held bank, but before they could find demolition wires the Germans detonated prepared charges, destroying the bridge and blowing Private BROWN into the river. For three hours he clung to a cable before being recovered from the icy waters. His completely courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private BROWN and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

BENJAMIN STEIN, 36572592, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Nicholas, France. When his battalion's rear command post received intense mortar and small arms fire during an advance, Private First Class STEIN boldly

moved forward alone under direct observation and fire to engage the enemy. Hurling grenades into a machine gun position, he killed two Germans and wounded a third, completely silencing the murderous weapon. The combat skill displayed by Private First Class MCOWN in his courageous, single-handed action exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Michigan.

III. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

JOSEPH A. GOODREAU, 37292992, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 4 April 1945, in Germany, Belgium and Holland. As leader of an eighty-one millimeter mortar squad, Staff Sergeant GOODREAU constantly inspired his men by his outstanding leadership and by his courageous actions at gun positions and in the platoon observation post. Repeatedly volunteering for hazardous missions, he was serving voluntarily, on 4 April 1945, as forward observer with Third Battalion assault elements when he was killed by enemy artillery fire. His valiant leadership, courageous determination are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect lasting honor on Staff Sergeant GOODREAU. Entered military service from North Dakota.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

WILLIAM S. HAUT, 16044831, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippborg, Germany. Unhesitatingly setting out to repair a vital telephone line along the south bank of the Lippe River, Private First Class HAUT disregarded physical exhaustion and the ever-present menace of enemy elements to accomplish his mission. Forced to recross the river and examine the entire circuit, he heroically persevered at his task until communications were restored. His courageous deed contributed directly to his battalion's success in an attack the following morning, reflecting high credit on Private First Class HAUT and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT E. HARRIS, 42103612, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Heroically braving severe artillery, mortar and sniper fire, Private First Class HARRIS established and maintained for three days a forward ammunition dump. In addition to guiding carrying parties to the dump, rationing supplies to them and maintaining an adequate stock throughout a tense combat situation, he also repeatedly proceeded to the attacking companies, hand-carrying special types of explosives and ammunition vitally needed in the assault. Private First Class HARRIS' heroic conduct exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from New Jersey.

MATTHEW T. GANDY JR, 11091649, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hengsen, Germany. When a halted convoy came under a heavy artillery barrage and one truck loaded with ammunition was hit and set on fire, Technician Fifth Grade GANDY and a comrade voluntarily assisted in driving four vehicles to safety. Then, courageously braving the continuing barrages and the menace of exploding ammunition, the two men pushed out of range another heavily-laden truck when they were unable to start its damaged motor. His staunch devotion to duty reflects great credit on Technician Fifth Grade GANDY and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

CLARENCE G. DAHLMAN, 35316019, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hengsen, Germany. When a halted convoy came under a heavy artillery barrage and one truck loaded with ammunition was hit and set on fire, Technician Fourth Grade DAHLMAN and a comrade voluntarily assisted in driving four vehicles to safety. Then, courageously braving the continuing barrages and the menace of exploding ammunition, the two men pushed out of range another heavily-laden truck when they were unable to start its damaged motor. His staunch devotion to duty reflects great credit on Technician Fourth Grade DAHLMAN and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RICHARD M. SWIFT, 37293443, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. When his patrol was fired on near the outskirts of Klotingen after crossing an open field five hundred yards wide, Staff Sergeant SWIFT quickly ordered his men to withdraw. Then, boldly occupying a position exposed to the vicious enemy machine gun and rifle fire, he covered the patrol's successful withdrawal with fiercely effective automatic rifle fire, quitting his hazardous task only after all of his men reached safety. The daring and alertness which he displayed typify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on Staff Sergeant SWIFT. Entered military service from Minnesota.

EDLOND BANAS, 31129735, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sondern, Germany. Suspicious of the accuracy of heavy enemy artillery fire which pounded Company B during an attack, Private First Class BANAS and another soldier began searching for hostile communications lines and continued their efforts despite the incessant shelling until the wires were located and severed. Then, the two men intrepidly followed the wire line to the enemy observation post which they relentlessly destroyed. The courageous initiative displayed by Private First Class BANAS in eliminating the enemy's means of fire direction reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

PAUL V. NAVARRO, 39855654, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Budberg, Germany. Moving quickly to the side of an enemy tank and two half-tracks menacing his platoon



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during a dawn attack, Private First Class NAVARRO destroyed the tank's track with his first bazooka round, immobilizing the tank. Then, as the half-tracks sought to withdraw, his second round blasted one, setting it on fire. The crews of the damaged vehicles, a total of eighteen Germans, surrendered without further resistance. Private First Class NAVARRO'S heroic skill in combat reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Arizona.

MARION B. MATTHEWS, 35579774, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Welver, Germany. Subjected to fire by hostile infantrymen seeking to clear a route for a large German tank through a mined underpass, Private First Class MATTHEWS and his squad engaged in a brief, violent fire fight which repelled the enemy troops. When the tank continued to advance, Private First Class MATTHEWS intrepidly launched one bazooka round at point blank range, scoring a direct hit and forcing the armor's withdrawal. The aggressiveness and courage which he displayed reflect distinct credit on Private First Class MATTHEWS and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

RAYMOND RADOSEVIC, 35386902, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunen, Germany. When intense machine gun and twenty-millimeter flak gun fire seriously menaced Company B during an attack over coverless terrain, Staff Sergeant RADOSEVIC led his squad in a fierce assault on the flak gun position, destroying it and killing four crew members. Continuing to attack relentlessly, he brought his men forward to destroy two emplaced machine guns and five more Germans. His valiant leadership and initiative enabled his company to continue its advance, exemplifying high traditions of the military service and reflecting great credit on Staff Sergeant RADOSEVIC. Entered military service from Ohio.

HOWARD A. KRESS, 13186228, Staff Sergeant, (Then Sergeant), INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In a bold assault on a powerful enemy pillbox, Staff Sergeant KRESS deployed his twelve men so cleverly that the fortification and another nearby were forced to close their gun apertures while engineer soldiers emplaced demolition charges. Leading his men forward immediately after the explosion, Staff Sergeant KRESS daringly charged into the damaged pillbox and killed one German while capturing twelve more. The great courage and skill of his leadership reflect distinct credit on Staff Sergeant KRESS and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

HENRY P. SCHLUTER, 01324365, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hongsan, Germany. Braving a constant mortar and artillery barrage which left an ammunition-laden prime mover aflame, menacing the other vehicles of a halted convoy, First Lieutenant SCHLUTER not only personally drove one truck from the danger area but also calmly supervised the removal of the other vehicles to safety. Twice stunned by shell bursts, he heroically continued his steadfast efforts until all of the endangered vehicles were saved. His staunch leadership typifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

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THOMAS H. SUDDARTH JR, 14191315, Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunen, Germany. During bitter fighting at Nord Lunen Sergeant SUDDARTH courageously moved along a brick wall to a point directly behind an Ss trooper whose intense machine gun fire was pinning down elements of Company B. Then, disdainng a hail of sniper's bullets, he arose from behind the wall and shot the German gunner to death. Sergeant SUDDARTH'S intrepid deed permitted his company to continue its attack, reflecting distinct credit on him and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

PAUL J. KUZNIK, 35316193, Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hilbeck, Germany. When an advancing rifle company was pinned down by intense flak and machine gun fire, Sergeant KUZNIK coordinated his machine gun fire with that of a comrade and effectively neutralized the enemy's efforts, permitting the riflemen to continue their attack. Then, placing a murderous stream of bullets on several snipers occupying a barn loft, he killed two and routed the survivors when his fire ignited the building. Sergeant KUZNIK'S valiant skill in combat reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RAYMOND W. KERN, 16171605, Private First Class, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunen, Germany. Observing enemy forces regrouping for a counter-attack, Private First Class KERN and another soldier unhesitatingly left their section's position and moved through violent artillery, flak gun and rifle fire to a point where they could deliver effective cross-fire. From their new position, they inflicted heavy casualties on the German troops, holding off the threatened attack until additional infantrymen arrived to relieve the situation. Private First Class KERN'S heroic devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

CHARLES W. STOETZER, 01323075, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 October 1944, in the vicinity of Corny, France. Boldly moving to high ground within one hundred and fifty yards of the enemy, Second Lieutenant STOETZER established an observation post which was used until the enemy subjected it to heavy fire. Reconnoitering again close to German positions in an area known to be mined, he was returning to Company E's lines after finding another suitable location when he was wounded by an exploding land mine. Second Lieutenant STOETZER'S daring and devoted service reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

STANLEY L. YOKUM, 34720742, Private First Class, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Malmaison, France. Private First Class YOKUM courageously volunteered to act as guide for carrying parties bringing rations, water and ammunition to beleaguered Second Battalion forces occupying a shell-pounded pillbox. Twice leading groups successfully through an area infested with enemy troops, he also located a third group which lost its way while seeking the bunker and steadfastly guided the men through the

constant fire to deliver the essential supplies. His valiant devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on Private First Class YOKUM and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

ISAAC W. COMBS, 35464779, Sergeant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 March 1945, in the vicinity of Heerdt, Germany. Sergeant COMBS displayed heroic courage when, accompanied by another soldier, he crawled across an open, fire-swept field to the side of a wounded comrade. Then, braving once more the fierce artillery barrage, the two men carried the casualty to safety and prompt medical attention. The courage of Sergeant COMBS' action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

PAUL T. KRAFT, 01055647, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unna, Germany. With his platoon pinned down by scathing frontal fire, Second Lieutenant KRAFT risked his life to move alone around the right flank and occupy a position to the rear of the hostile emplacements. Then, opening devastating fire on one strongpoint, he silenced a machine gun and captured twenty-one Germans. His fearless deed enabled his platoon to accomplish its mission with minimum casualties, reflecting great credit on Second Lieutenant KRAFT and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HENRY F. KLAUSE, 36600473, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 17 April 1945, in Belgium, Holland and Germany. Throughout the bitter fighting of this period, Staff Sergeant KLAUSE distinguished himself by his aggressive, resourceful conduct as leader of an eighty-one millimeter mortar squad. Through his unflagging efforts and heroic initiative, his squad invariably furnished close and effective support to the attacking rifle companies. The courageous leadership and intrepid devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant KLAUSE over a long period of combat typify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

JEROME GROSSHANDLER, 35053224, Corporal, INF, Company M, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unna, Germany. During a daring forward reconnaissance mission, Corporal GROSSHANDLER and his platoon leader were subjected to severe artillery fire and the officer was seriously wounded by shrapnel. Gallantly ignoring his own painful wounds, Corporal GROSSHANDLER moved from house to house through the violent shelling until he located an aid man and assisted him in removing the casualty to safety. Corporal GROSSHANDLER'S heroic determination on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

DALLAS FINLEY, 35438221, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France, Belgium and Germany. Serving as a driver and messenger throughout a period of fierce offensive operations, Private First Class FINLEY repeatedly braved enemy fire to maintain liaison between Cannon Company's command posts and observation posts. On

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one occasion he voluntarily went out into a fearful mortar barrage to repair a wire line severed by the enemy fire. His courageous and intrepid conduct contributed materially to the success achieved in combat by his company, reflecting distinct credit on Private First Class FINLEY and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

JOSEPH J. LANG, 35437887, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 March 1945, in France, Belgium and Germany. Throughout a period of bitter fighting Private First Class LANG served on numerous forward observer parties and assisted valiantly in maintaining communications between observation posts and batteries under extremely hazardous conditions. In addition, he once voluntarily aided in evacuating casualties from the battlefield under heavy hostile fire. Private First Class LANG'S heroic and devoted service over a long period of combat contributed greatly to the successful accomplishment of his company's missions, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ROBERT S. TROTTI, 01285339, Captain, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 and 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwerte, Germany. S-3 of the Second Battalion, Captain TROTTI fearlessly led the battalion over a route through enemy territory in a night attack to sever a sector of the Ruhr River's north bank and to eliminate hostile resistance in that area. Encountering German elements at Schwerte, he directed his men's efforts in overwhelming the enemy force and then advanced swiftly to the objective where he assisted resolutely in securing the battalion zone. His heroic, inspiring leadership exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Captain TROTTI. Entered military service from Texas.

GEORGE L. ROESE, 36353491, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

OTIS A. MITCHELL, 34375032, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 24 December 1944. Entered military service from Tennessee.

CHARLES P. HEETER, 37286099, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 December 1944 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

LOREN E. GILLHOUSE, 01284854, Captain, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 January 1945 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

V. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded posthumously to:

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WILLIAM A. ROOT II, 01285310, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy; from 18 December 1944 to 8 March 1945. Entered military service from Vermont.

VI. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

MACK E. GREEN, 35437629, Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hongsen, Germany. When a halted convoy came under heavy artillery fire and one ammunition-laden truck was hit and set on fire, Sergeant GREEN voluntarily drove the vehicle immediately in front of the burning truck to safety. Although knocked down by an exploding mine, he courageously braved the furious barrage a second time to help push a heavily-loaded, damaged vehicle a safe distance away from the burning ammunition truck. Sergeant GREEN'S staunch devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

WILLIAM A. MC CAMPBELL JR, 0538730, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 and 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippborg, Germany. Organizing his platoon into two patrols to seize strongpoints on the Lippo River to facilitate his regiment's crossing the following morning, First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL boldly led one patrol to the first objective, killing two Germans and capturing two more while securing the position. Then, leading the second group across a canal to the other designated objective, he completely surprised the enemy garrison by his swift advance. Twenty-nine Germans surrendered without firing a shot. His staunch, resolute leadership reflects great credit on First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

FLOYD A. KENYON, 36975195, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wolver, Germany. Furgally bursting into Company B's command post where his commanding officer waged a single-handed defense against seven members of a counter-attacking hostile force, Staff Sergeant KENYON quickly killed three enemy soldiers with well-aimed shots. The remaining Germans, stunned by his aggressive actions, immediately withdrew and fled in confusion down a street. The cool courage and intrepidity he displayed on this occasion typify high traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant KENYON. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President; and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

HERBERT V. MARX, 35630814, Corporal, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When the rifle platoon his machine gun section was supporting reached its objective near Fort de Fèves leaderless and disorganized, Corporal MARX resolutely organized a defense deploying the riflemen and guns so skillfully that a powerful German counter-attack was repulsed. During the following two weeks of fierce combat he served with unflinching courage until, on 28 November 1944, he was mortally wounded in the assault on Merton. His gallant initiative and leadership exemplify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect lasting honor on Corporal MARX. Entered military service from Ohio.

SHERMAN COHEN, 42177579, Private, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\*Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kamon, Germany. Serving as first scout, Private COHEN was boldly advancing at the head of his platoon into Kamon when severe machine gun and sniper fire was encountered. Standing fully exposed to enemy observation, he fearlessly emptied his rifle into the machine gun position, silencing the murderous weapon but at the same time receiving a fatal wound from a sniper's bullet. The valor of his actions reflects lasting honor on Private COHEN and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

RAYMOND C. HUBER, 37287323, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Observing his platoon's lead man wounded by an exploding mine in the midst of an open, fire-swept field, Sergeant HUBER defied the terrible artillery, mortar and small arms fire to clear a path through the mined area to the casualties. Then he returned to lead the platoon through the minefield, permitting the quick evacuation of his wounded comrades. His gallant conduct under fire directly facilitated the successful resumption of the attack, exemplifying the highest traditions of the military service and reflecting great credit on Sergeant HUBER. Entered military service from South Dakota.

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JOHN B. BREDEEN, 32006348, Private First Class, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Fearlessly pursuing a group of German troops across a mined Moselle River bridge, Private First Class BREDEEN and five comrades defied intense machine gun fire to reach the opposite bank. Then, when the enemy detonated prepared charges and destroyed the span, the heroic group successfully defended its precarious bridgehead for seven hours until ordered to withdraw by boat. Private First Class BREDEEN'S superb courage and skill in combat reflect great credit on him and typify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

FRANK DE BRASE, 31227062, Sergeant, INF, Company II, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. Confronted by heavy machine gun and sniper fire issuing from hostile positions on a railroad embankment and menacing two platoons as they advanced over flat, coverless terrain, Sergeant DE BRASE unhesitatingly moved his machine gun across open ground into a bomb crater. Then, spraying the enemy emplacements with bullets, he delivered so great a volume of fire that the platoons were able to displace to cover without a casualty. His fearlessly alert actions reflect great credit on Sergeant DE BRASE and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JAMES WILLIS, 32754672, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Budburg, Germany. With his company pinned down by fire from a machine gun emplaced in a nearby house, Private First Class WILLIS rushed forward and single-handedly eliminated the deadly fire while capturing seven prisoners. Later, when the tanks spearheading Company B's attack were fired on by two German bazooka gunners, he intrepidly advanced alone and immediately silenced the weapons. Private First Class WILLIS' courageous and aggressive actions contributed directly to the successful accomplishment of his company's mission, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Delaware.

SAM SIGALOW, 55388670, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant) INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Budburg, Germany. After forcing the crew of a German tank whose shelling menaced Company C's advance to close its gun apertures by the effective flanking fire of his machine gun section, Technical Sergeant SIGALOW seized a bazooka and launched several accurate rounds at the tank, leaving it in flames. Then, he directed machine gun fire on the Germans as they sought to escape, killing one and compelling another to surrender. His courageous and resolute leadership reflects great credit on Technical Sergeant SIGALOW and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES G. BOELKINS, 36877870, Private, INF, Company G, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Private BOELKINS gallantly succeeded in maintaining contact between his isolated platoon and battalion headquarters, four

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times crossing eight hundred yards of open, shell-pounded terrain and moving through a sniper-infested wood to inform the battalion commander of the situation. Returning with litter bearers whom he unhesitatingly led back to the aid station to insure prompt evacuation of casualties, he then guided reinforcements back over the perilous route to the embattled platoon. The intrepid perseverance he displayed under fire reflects great credit on Private BOELMINS and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT A. YUHAS, 15314988, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 November 1944, in the vicinity of Lietz, France. With his combat patrol receiving disastrous mortar and machine gun fire while reconnoitering near Fort de Guiso, Private First Class YUHAS ignored painful wounds to crawl toward a German bunker. Intrepidly firing one bazooka round into the fortification and silencing a machine gun, he moved on to a defensive trench and launched a second round which destroyed another machine gun, killing or wounding the crew. Private First Class YUHAS' gallant deeds permitted the patrol to withdraw from a desperate situation, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

LYNN K. THOMPSON, 39139774, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwerte, Germany. When the four occupants of a German reconnaissance car, having signified their intention to surrender, fired on him and two comrades, killing one and seriously wounding the other, Private First Class THOMPSON dauntlessly crawled up to the rear of the vehicle. Although without grenades and with a jammed rifle, he fearlessly directed the fire of nearby soldiers, killing three Germans and wounding the fourth. His superb courage on this occasion is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class THOMPSON. Entered military service from California.

WILLIAM A. ILLINGWORTH, 01285243, Captain, INF, Company L, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 and 4 March 1945, in the vicinity of Urdingen, Germany. Boldly leading his company in a night attack to clear stubborn defense elements from the western approaches of a Rhine river bridge, Captain ILLINGWORTH relentlessly drove the enemy back four hundred yards. Then, unhesitatingly exposing himself to withering assault gun and small arms fire to reorganize his command, he received painful wounds but he valiantly refused evacuation until the following morning after consolidating his hard-won gains. Captain ILLINGWORTH'S aggressive, inspiring leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

EMEL E. EUBANK, 0401797, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. Gallantly rallying his men in the face of a powerful enemy armored attack which immediately followed an intense artillery and mortar barrage, Lieutenant Colonel EUBANK resolutely reorganized the First Battalion and ordered a counter-attack on the forces threatening the Hamm bridgehead. Personally directing the assault, he



caught the enemy off balance and his men killed two hundred Germans, captured two hundred and fifty more and crippled the entire defenses of the city. His brilliant, resourceful leadership exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Lieutenant Colonel EUBANK. Entered military service from Kentucky.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

DONALD J. SHARBAUGH, 13145469, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 January 1945 to 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. As telephone operator with a forward observer party, Technician Fifth Grade SHARBAUGH repeatedly braved deadly panzerfaust and small arms fire to repair the shell-torn wire lines which insured close artillery support for infantry operations during an extremely critical combat situation. By his constant and aggressive actions, he succeeded at all times in maintaining the vital communications, reflecting distinct credit on Technician Fifth Grade SHARBAUGH and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ELVIS L. HOWARD, 35485571, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connections with military operations against the enemy, on 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD displayed courageous perseverance when, as radio operator with a forward observer party, he remained at his radio throughout an enemy counterattack which threatened to envelope his position. Despite constantly muzzing shrapnel, he doggedly persisted in his task of relaying fire orders until the hostile counter-attack was repulsed by his battery's effective shelling. Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD'S calm, heroic actions under fire typify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ANDREW P. HESSAKER, 36249361, Corporal (Then Technician Fifth Grade) FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Denting, France. Member of a forward observer section, Corporal HESSAKER was advancing with a rifle company when severe artillery, mortar and small arms fire halted the infantrymen on a hillside. Undaunted, Corporal HESSAKER moved alone through the terrible fire, carrying his radio two hundred yards until he reached the forward observer who was then able to bring devastating artillery fire on the enemy positions. His heroic devotion to duty in relieving a tense situation reflects distinct credit on Corporal HESSAKER and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CLEM MARTIN, 35637251, Corporal, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. Throughout ten days of highly mobile, rapidly changing warfare, Corporal MARTIN distinguished himself by his courageous and skillful performance of duty as radio operator of a forward observer party. Repeatedly crossing sniper-infested territory while burdened with his radio, he was never deterred by consideration of personal safety from rendering expert assistance in the delivery of continuous

artillery supporting fire. His heroic, devoted conduct is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Corporal LITTLE. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ROBERT E. BURKE, 01285186, Major, INF, Headquarters \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. Serving as Regimental S-2 throughout the reduction of the Ruhr Pocket, Major BURKE distinguished himself by his resolute, tireless efforts in collecting and disseminating information on enemy strength and deployment and in controlling the many German prisoners seized by his organization. The consistently intrepid and devoted service which he gave contributed materially to the success achieved by his regiment in a momentous operation, reflecting distinct credit on Major BURKE and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JOHN B. JOHNSON, 0341218, Captain, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 30 April 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

W. S. P. WHITESTONE, 0526264, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

GEORGE L. WOLFE, 16093139, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 25 March 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

MELVIN E. GAINES, 37288812, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 25 March 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ALVIN H. PAQUE, 36249579, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT A. MC DONNELL, 13114120, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 8 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JACOB C. ROBERTSON, 33177473, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 25 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VICTOR H. NELSON, 0339737, Captain, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connections with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

CRVILLE A. MILLER, 36248862, Sergeant, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

DOUGLAS W. MC KEE, 36353385, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

PHILIP F. REULAND, 36353316, Staff Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 11 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLAIR K. HENNINGER, 02048332, First Lieutenant, MC, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 3 December 1944 to 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WAYNE BAILEY, 38071938, Technician Third Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 18 October 1944 to 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

HAROLD L. SUTTON, 32610138, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

EVERETT A. SMITH, 36060937, Staff Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

LYNN B. TRIPLETT, 01165801, Captain, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 March 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

ALLEN R. DELONG, 0432934, Captain, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 24 March 1945. Entered the military service from District of Columbia.

GEORGE H. BUCHANAN JR., 35488852, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ERNEST PRICE JR., 01180010, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

V. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

AUREY W. AKIN, 0164690, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Vermont.

BARON H. CORNETT, 01285201, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

THOMAS H. SUDDARTH JR., 14191315, Sergeant, INF, Company D, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

DAVID W. BERMANT, 01165706, Captain, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

WILLIAM R. BLESSING, 01037395, Second Lieutenant, CWS, \*\*\*\* Chemical Mortar Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ulzen, Germany. Seizing a machine gun, Second Lieutenant BLESSING unhesitatingly rushed out into an open field under a hail of sniper bullets to the relief of a squad which was pinned down on the outskirts of Ulzen. Quickly setting up his weapon in an exposed position, he intrepidly opened fire and, although wounded, continued his valiant efforts until the entire squad withdrew to safety. Second Lieutenant BLESSING'S fearless and determined conduct under fire exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

DAVID J. CULLINGS, 37448261, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company I, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When Company I's rear and forward elements were separated by heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Technical Sergeant CULLINGS aggressively led a twelve-man patrol through a vast area under terrible fire to re-establish contact. Although he was killed while dauntlessly seeking to cross a road swept by interlocking machine gun fire, his men, inspired by their leader's courage, continued until their mission was successfully accomplished. His complete devotion to duty typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects lasting honor on Technical Sergeant CULLINGS. Entered military service from Nebraska.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

JAMES V. MALLANEY, 36359388, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunz, Germany. Faced with a violently-firing machine gun emplaced in a wood as he led a squad to contact tank elements supporting Company B, Staff Sergeant MALLANEY fired a rifle grenade and intrepidly charged the position alone. Although slightly wounded in his daring advance, he assaulted the emplacement ruthlessly and, firing his rifle from the hip, killed the gunner, wounded another German and captured sixteen more. The courageous aggressiveness of his actions reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant MALLANEY and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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FRED D. HUTCHISON, 33924488, Private First Class, INF, Company B, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sondern, Germany. As the first scout began to cut a wire fence, sudden enemy machine gun fire wounded him and pinned down Company B. Private First Class HUTCHISON ran forward, took the wounded scout's wire cutters and slashed the fence. Blazing away with his automatic rifle, he advanced ahead of his comrades to the objective. Later he located the crew of a machine gun whose fierce fire was pinning down the company. Crawling forward, he opened fire with his automatic rifle, wiping out the enemy crew. The extreme gallantry of his actions reflects great credit on Private First Class HUTCHISON and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VERNON D. DANKERGER, 33888982, Private First Class, INF, Company C, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Badberg, Germany. Courageously taking up an exposed position thirty yards away from an enemy tank which shelled his company, Private First Class DANKERGER fired a perfectly-aimed bazooka round into the menacing armor. Then, after securing additional ammunition, he returned to his hazardous post where he coolly launched three more devastating rounds, leaving the tank in flames. Private First Class DANKERGER'S gallant feat in eliminating a serious threat to Company C's security reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

LAWRENCE C. MATHEWS, 025402, Captain, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kamen, Germany. When fierce machine gun fire forced him and his company into a deep railroad cut, Captain MATHEWS unhesitatingly reconnoitered a route along an incomplete roadway affording a degree of cover. Then, fearlessly advancing up a steep bank into the greatly intensified artillery, flak gun and small arms fire, he skillfully led his men over the selected route into Kamen, where twenty Germans were killed, more than fifty captured and much enemy material seized. His bold, aggressive leadership reflects great credit on Captain MATHEWS and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

SAMUEL SCHMIDT, 32960866, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwerte, Germany. When the four occupants of a German reconnaissance car, having signified their intention to surrender, fired on him and two comrades, killing one and seriously wounding Private First Class SCHMIDT, he fell a few feet away from the vehicle. Despite the severity of his wounds, he resolutely directed the fire of nearby soldiers during the ensuing duel in which three Germans were killed and the fourth wounded. Private First Class SCHMIDT'S unflinching courage typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

ALBERT L. GILLUM, 36475184, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Vellinghausen, Germany. Fired on by infiltrating hostile troops who occupied two houses on opposite sides of a street, menacing his battalion's supply and communications route, Private First Class GILLUM intrepidly returned fire with a sub-machine gun

and entered one house, forcing five enemy soldiers to surrender. Then, he instructed a German to enter the other house and inform the enemy that only capitulation would prevent their destruction. The four Germans surrendered immediately. Private First Class GILLUM'S aggressive and resourceful actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM H. MASON, 34378829, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ramen, Germany. After boldly organizing his squad under heavy hostile small arms fire and delivering such a fierce hail of bullets that his platoon was able to capture an entire German artillery battery, Staff Sergeant MASON deliberately exposed himself to observe a machine gun position whose fire prevented entrance into Ramen. Although wounded, he resolutely directed his men's fire on the emplacement, neutralizing it and permitting the platoon to advance. His gallant devotion to duty typifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant MASON. Entered military service from Tennessee.

IVEY V. RAINWATER JR., 33849444, Private First Class, INF, Company E, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kol, Kaisenau, Germany. Gallantly assaulting a machine gun nest single-handedly when his platoon encountered violent resistance while attacking enemy positions, Private First Class RAINWATER destroyed the weapon and killed three Germans. Continuing his valiant assault despite a painful wound, he eliminated a second machine gun with a well-placed grenade, killing two hostile soldiers and compelling three to surrender, before he submitted to evacuation. The courage and skill which he displayed while materially facilitating Company E's advance reflect great credit on Private First Class RAINWATER and on the military service. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

KARL E. SOLLER, 35231583, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunen, Germany. When he observed an infantryman wounded while carrying mortar ammunition across an open field covered by an intense concentration of hostile fire, Private First Class SOLLER unhesitatingly ran to the side of the casualty. Braving the terrible enemy fire and unceasingly harassed by the mortar shells which, bursting into flames, exploded all around him. He continued administering first aid until the wounded man expired. Private First Class SOLLER'S gallant, devoted conduct exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Ohio.

FRANK J. SCHUTZENHOFER, 16072544, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neheim, Germany. Member of a forward observer party, Private First Class SCHUTZENHOFER was moving with advance infantry elements when he learned from a civilian that all German troops had withdrawn across the Ruhr River at Neheim, leaving demolition charges on the only bridge. Unhesitatingly dashing across the bridge, accompanied by one infantryman, he completely surprised the enemy, capturing them before they could detonate their explosives. The valor of his intrepid deed reflects great credit on Private First Class SCHUTZENHOFER and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

J. SON L. RICHMOND, 0328667, Lieutenant Colonel (Then Major) INF, Headquarters Second Battalion, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After killing two German snipers as he advanced three hundred yards through intense fire, Lieutenant Colonel RICHMOND joined his battalion's reserve company, pinned down by Fort Joanne d'Arc's shelling in a trench above a huge, concealed bunker which threatened the entire battalion. Unable to reduce the fortification with demolitions, he then placed machine gun fire on the bunker's firing slits and, forcefully demanding surrender, obtained the immediate capitulation of the forty-seven Germans inside. Lieutenant Colonel RICHMOND'S brilliant and valorous leadership exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Texas.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

HENRY E. HALL, 01180524, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France and Germany. During six months of arduous combat First Lieutenant HALL repeatedly exposed himself to enemy machine gun and rifle fire while serving with unflinching devotion and high skill as assistant S-2 and as survey officer of his battalion. On one occasion, at Dertrund, he unhesitatingly proceeded beyond the front lines to complete a comprehensive survey. His courageous, aggressive performance materially increased the firing accuracy of his battalion, exemplifying high traditions of the military service and reflecting distinct credit on First Lieutenant HALL. Entered military service from Indiana.

HUBERT K. SUMMERS, 35439982, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Serving as wire crew chief throughout the bitter fighting of this period, Corporal SUMMERS installed and maintained wire systems vital to the proper functioning of his battalion. Braving direct enemy observation and shell fire on numerous occasions to perform his duties, he was never prevented by great personal dangers from completing the assignments entrusted to him. His heroic devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on Corporal SUMMERS and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

WILLIAM G. GRACE, 01180193, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Soest, Germany. First Lieutenant GRACE distinguished himself by his heroic and skillful service as forward observer for Battery B during the clearing of the Ruhr Pocket. With observation in the heavily forested eastern area of the Ruhr Valley limited to a few hundred yards, he unhesitatingly accompanied the assault squads to maintain observation and contact between units. The skill and aggressiveness which he displayed reflects distinct credit on First Lieutenant GRACE and

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exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

IVO L. BURBACH, 37128643, Corporal, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 February 1945 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Throughout the heavy combat in which Battery B was engaged during this period Corporal BURBACH performed his duties as wire chief with consistent courage and skill. Despite difficult weather conditions and frequent exposure to enemy fire he succeeded in establishing and maintaining an invariably effective system of communications. Corporal BURBACH'S heroic, devoted actions contributed materially to the operational efficiency of his unit in combat, exemplifying high traditions of the military service and reflecting great credit on him. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ANTON J. KUK, 37294588, Corporal (Then Private First Class) FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 January 1945 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Serving as a liaison scout Corporal KUK performed his duties with such consistent skill and aggressiveness as to contribute materially to the success of his section in furnishing close support to an infantry battalion. Although exposed frequently to hostile artillery, mortar and small arms fire, he resolutely completed the numerous missions assigned to him during a period of highly mobile warfare. His steadfast, courageous devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Corporal KUK. Entered military service from North Dakota.

JAMES G. HUGUES, 33593272, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private First Class) FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When an advancing rifle company was halted by severe machine gun fire issuing from pillboxes on three sides, Technician Fifth Grade HUGUES repeatedly braved the furious hail of bullets to repair wire lines to his battery's forward observer. By his unremitting heroism, he succeeded in maintaining the vital communications which permitted the delivery of devastating artillery fire on the menacing hostile positions. Technician Fifth Grade HUGUES' bold, devoted actions under fire reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ARTHUR METZGER, 02010329, Second Lieutenant (Then Staff Sergeant) FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Serving as chief of Battery C's forward observer team, Second Lieutenant METZGER distinguished himself by his resolute, courageous service throughout a period of violent fighting. Undeterred by mortar and artillery fire which many times pounded his observation post, he performed his duties with consistent skill and on several occasions acted as relief forward observer, insuring continuous artillery support to infantry operations. His fortitude and determination typify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on Second Lieutenant METZGER. Entered military service from New York.

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DAVID K. WILLIS, 36588740, Private, CE, Company .., \*\*\*\* Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckango, Franco. After valiantly rescuing a seriously wounded man from the underwater wire entanglements guarding the Moselle River's east bank, Private WILLIS ignored his own wounds and vicious enemy fire to aid in removing five other casualties from the mine-filled river. Then, loading the wounded man in an assault boat, he and three comrades resolutely proceeded across the fire-swept river to safety. The valor of his actions reflects distinct credit on Private WILLIS and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

EARL A. MAC HAIDE, 0321877, Major, FA, Headquarters \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

DONALD S. JUDD, 01165747, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JACK B. BURRELL, 6543618, Master Sergeant, FA, Headquarters \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

IR. J. HENDRICKS, 35362309, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 November 1944 to 10 March 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

CHARLES B. BUSH, 01165479, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

EUGENE N. FELLER, 36352609, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT T. CARLISLE, 31243670, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 20 March 1945. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

EDWIN FORDYCE, 35104695, Corporal, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOSEPH VALBUENO, 32661381, Technician Fifth Grade, F., Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, 19 October 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

LEONARD H. SHELLY, 37021361, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant) F., Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 January 1945 to 5 February 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

DANIEL R. HULSE, 37422782, Private First Class, F., Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

CLARK J. ROBBINS, 16072719, Technician Fifth Grade, F., Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT H. WILHELM, 35333062, Sergeant, F., Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 January 1945 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

FRANCIS T. SCHLUDENLACH, 32610223, Technician Fifth Grade, F., Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

CLARENCE W. RIGELIG, 17058655, Technician Fourth Grade, F., Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, 21 October 1944 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

JOHN E. ZEMDA, 36357143, Corporal, F., Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 28 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

HANS G. REIN, W2114395, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

FREDERICK Y. REICHLIT, O1165774, First Lieutenant, F., Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 24 March 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOSEPH F. SPRETZER, 01180730, First Lieutenant, FA, Service Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ALVIN H. FLECK, 35485915, Private First Class, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 5 March 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

ALBERT C. JUNGE, 32016624, Sergeant, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM H. ROBERSON, 38040628, First Sergeant, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

JESSE S. DARNELL, 01170340, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

LAWRENCE R. ALMQUIST, 37422353, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

BISCHAK, 36352843, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery A, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

HOMER G. KESSLER, 35362254, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery B, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 February 1945 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

HERBERT T. KROEMER, 17077303, Corporal, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

LLOYD G. MUNDSON, 36249818, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FREDERICK E. FREISE, 37618436, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 30 March 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

PAUL J. GRAHAM, 39139549, Private, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 February 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

RICHARD R. JOHNSON, 31440178, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Connecticut.

HOWARD E. LOGAN, 36062067, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 January 1945 to 18 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

VINCENT MURATORE, 32617531, Private First Class, FA, Battery C, \*\*\*\* Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 18 March 1945. Entered military service from New York.

WILSON C. BENEDITZ, W2129502, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, \*\*\*\* Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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FRANK KAMLESKI, W2108607, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, \*\*\*\* Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from ~~20 October~~ 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MERLIN W. FOERSTER, 01589833, First Lieutenant, QMC, \*\*\*\* Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

WILLIAM A. GAMRON, 01594180, First Lieutenant, QMC, \*\*\*\* Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOHN J. WEISBECKER, 01588954, First Lieutenant, QMC, \*\*\*\* Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

MERLE E. SEVERY, W2129991, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, 95th Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the revisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

RAYMOND T. CROSS, 35266054, Private First Class, INF (Armd), Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dortmund, Germany. During a period of highly mobile combat Private First Class CROSS courageously maintained liaison from his assault gun section to company headquarters, ammunition sections and to other front-line elements, furnishing continuous information to the tank officer on the tactical and supply situation. When tank radios failed in the midst of battle he repeatedly braved artillery, mortar and rocket bomb fire to keep open the only available means of communication. His heroic, devoted conduct exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Private First Class CROSS. Entered military service from Kentucky.

EUGENE J. HICKEY, 32207768, Sergeant, INF (Armd), Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Simmerath, Germany. While operating a radio relay station Sergeant HICKEY was subjected to an intense concentration of enemy artillery fire and wounded by flying shell fragments. Heroically disdaining his wounds, he dauntlessly remained at his post to maintain communications between two attacking tank companies and battalion headquarters until the assault operation was completed. The fortitude and determination he displayed on this occasion reflect distinct credit on Sergeant HICKEY and typify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALFRED H. NEIL, 31064410, Private First Class, INF (Armd), Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Unna, Germany. Under fire from hostile flak and machine guns Private First Class NEIL boldly dismounted from his tank to locate the enemy's strong, well-concealed positions. Quickly detecting the emplacements from his hazardous observation point, he then resolutely directed neutralizing tank fire on them, destroying several Germans and forcing the surrender of fifteen more. Private First Class NEIL'S daring and timely action eliminated dangerous flanking fire and permitted his company's attack to continue, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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JOSEPH L. OCHLB, 32206857, Technician Fifth Grade, INF (Armd), Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Colmar, France. When eight enemy planes attacked his position during the absence of the regular gunner, Technician Fifth Grade OCHLB unhesitatingly mounted his tank's rear deck and intropially directed fifty-caliber machine gun fire on the strafing German aircraft. With his rapid, accurate fire, he brought down one plane, damaged two others and drove the remaining ones away, enabling his company to continue firing on enemy ground forces. His courageous, determined initiative exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Technician Fifth Grade OCHLB. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JAMES L. LUFOLD, 33148731, Staff Sergeant, INF (Armd), Company B, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 July 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France, Luxembourg, and Germany. Throughout the fierce action in which Company B was engaged Staff Sergeant LUFOLD repeatedly distinguished himself by his calm courage and heroic leadership as tank commander and as platoon sergeant. At Vessensack, on 6 December 1944, he was wounded when his tank was hit but he valiantly continued on his mission of supporting infantry elements in two successful limited objective attacks. His consistently daring and devoted actions under fire contributed greatly to the battle success of his organization, reflecting distinct credit on Staff Sergeant LUFOLD and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

CLARENCE V. GENSCHAU, 01062185, First Lieutenant, CAV, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Rylnorn, Germany. When vicious enemy fire forced his tank platoon to quit the positions he had previously located while under harassing sniper fire, First Lieutenant GENSCHAU led his tanks into a group of small trees. Then, he fearlessly dismounted and braved the deadly German sniping once more to cut away foliage which completely obstructed the gunners' field of fire. His courageous actions contributed directly to the successful completion of a vital fire mission, exemplifying high traditions of the military service and reflecting distinct credit on First Lieutenant GENSCHAU. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ANDREW NACHESTY, 33141852, Staff Sergeant, INF (Armd), Company C, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 14 April 1945, in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. Serving as a tank commander and platoon sergeant with Company C in all of its fierce combat action, Staff Sergeant NACHESTY consistently performed his duty with heroic courage and resolve. On one occasion, near Grassehem, he voluntarily left his tank and made several trips across six hundred yards of open terrain under murderous artillery fire to evacuate wounded men to a position of safety. His heroic, devoted service over an extended period of combat exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Staff Sergeant NACHESTY. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ARNOLD A. BOGCESS, 35264962, Technician Fourth Grade, INF (Armd), Company C, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, 11 July 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany. Throughout nine months of bitter fighting



Technician Fourth Grade BOGCESS performed his duties as a tank driver with such intrepid skill as to contribute materially to the success won by Company C at La Haye des Puits, at Brest, in the Hurtgen forest, and in the Ruhr Valley. Invariably completing his assigned missions, he consistently displayed excellent judgment and calm courage while driving under enemy fire and over difficult terrain. Technician Fourth Grade BOGCESS' dauntless devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

EDWARD WYNN, 32246259, Corporal, INF (Armd), Company C, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. With no medical soldiers available and severe enemy artillery and small arms fire preventing the approach of an ambulance, Corporal WYNN voluntarily assisted in the evacuation of wounded infantrymen and tankers, courageously braving the fierce hostile fire to carry several casualties to an aid station. After successfully completing his self-appointed task, he returned to his tank to pursue the attack. His daring and devoted conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on Corporal WYNN and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN E. PHILLIPS, Sergeant, INF (Armd), Company D, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Sergeant PHILLIPS displayed a high order of courage and determination while serving as a tank commander in Company D during ten months of sustained offensive activity. Boldly entering a minefield under intense enemy fire on one occasion, he voluntarily acted as a litter bearer to assist in evacuating several infantrymen wounded by an exploding anti-personnel mine. His intrepid performance of assigned missions over a long time of combat is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Sergeant PHILLIPS. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

RICHARD D. TUTMAN, Technician Fourth Grade, INF (Armd), Company D, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 December 1944 to 29 December 1944, in the vicinity of Obermauback, Germany. With the infantry's normal supply channels disrupted by the enemy's fierce artillery fire and occupation of dominating terrain, Technician Fourth Grade TUTMAN volunteered to deliver essential supplies to the troops attacking Obermauback. Dauntlessly driving his tank through the concentrated shelling under direct hostile observation, he persisted at his self-chosen task for three days and nights. Technician Fourth Grade TUTMAN'S courageous and intrepid actions under fire reflect distinct credit on him and typify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MURDOCH MITCHELL, 12071902, Staff Sergeant, INF (Armd), Company D, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Platoon sergeant in Company D throughout ten months of rigorous combat, Staff Sergeant MITCHELL distinguished himself by his fearless, inspiring leadership and heroic devotion to duty. On one occasion during the battle for Brest, when one section of his platoon was heavily hit, he unhesitatingly disregarded intense enemy fire

to retrieve vital radio equipment and weapons before the valuable materiel was seized by the enemy. His courageous, resolute service over a long period of arduous fighting reflects distinct credit on Staff Sergeant MITCHELL and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

COSMO A. SARDELLI, 32253162, Sergeant, INF (Armed), Company D, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 July 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Serving as a tank commander throughout an arduous, extended period of fighting, Sergeant SARDELLI distinguished himself by his consistently heroic and devoted performance of duty. During the attack on Brest, on 25 August 1944, he dauntlessly ignored painful wounds suffered when his tank was hit to remove a wounded comrade from the disabled tank and carry him through direct enemy fire to safety. Sergeant SARDELLI's fortitude and determination exemplify high traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

IVAN O. MKOSKY, 34192419, Staff Sergeant, INF (Armed), Headquarters Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1945, in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. When his battalion headquarters lost contact with Company A's commanding officer after his men had entered Hurtgen in a night assault, Staff Sergeant MKOSKY voluntarily went out into the still-uncleared town to locate the officer. Moving fearlessly from tank to tank through heavy artillery and small arms fire, he searched the town until he contacted the officer and reported his location to battalion headquarters. His bold, heroic action reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant MKOSKY and typifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

VENON H. SHLETTIS, 19123925, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, \*\*\*\* Signal Photographic Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

RALPH LEEK, 19123230, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, \*\*\*\* Signal Photographic Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

ROSS R. WYLIE JR., 19122777, Technician Third Grade, Sig C, \*\*\*\* Signal Photographic Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

HAROLD BLOOM, 19122097, Sergeant, Sig C, \*\*\*\* Signal Photographic Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from California.

IGNATIUS A. COLLEPII, 01010759, Captain, INF, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 July 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

RALPH E. HUZARD, 13053236, Technical Sergeant, INF (Armed), Headquarters, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 October 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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ALFRED J. LA CERRA, 36037556, Technical Sergeant, INF (Armed), Headquarters \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

TONY JAKUBSKI, 33156374, Technician Fifth Grade, INF (Armed), Headquarters \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Virginia.

JOHN J. DALTON, 12076295, Technician Fourth Grade, INF (Armed), Service Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

EDWARD A. LUSNICKI, 32253391, Sergeant, INF (Armed), Headquarters, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

LEONARD J. KOEHL, 33302106, Technician Fifth Grade, INF (Armed), Service Company, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WOODROW W. HENKELL, 33136784, Corporal, INF (Armed), Company B, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

FRANK L. FIELDS, 35300438, Private First Class, INF (Armed), \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 July 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

LELAND V. HAYDEN, 36060095, First Sergeant, INF (Armed), Company D, \*\*\*\* Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 July 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

VI. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum M. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, in addition to the Bronze Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the full name:

RODRUFF J. FLOWERS JR., 01000116, Lieutenant Colonel, AGD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JULIUS MAHN, 0453150, Major, AGD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of A. 600-45, as amended, in addition to the Purple Heart previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to JAMES J. MASON, O19865, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, \*\*\*\* Infantry Regiment, for wounds received in action against armored enemy in France on 14 November 1944.

IV. AMENDMENT. So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 150, this Headquarters, 13 June 1945, pertaining to HENK KAMALINSKI, W2108607, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, \*\*\*\* Signal Company, as reads "from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945" is amended to read: "from 1 December 1944 to 15 April 1945".

By command of Major General TWADDELE:

H. J. GOLIGHTLY  
Colonel, GSC  
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AWARD OF STAR FOR THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 345, dated 23 August 1944, a star for the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque previously awarded to Service Battery, 358th Field Artillery Battalion, is awarded for outstanding devotion to duty and superior performance of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 23 November 1944 to 23 May 1945.

By command of Major General TWADDLE:

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AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par D, Sec IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No 38, Hq Second Army, 22 September 1945, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

RALPH J. THOMAS, 36356469, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 December 1944 to 7 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois. ✓

OLIN E. SKIMMEL, 0130370, Lieutenant Colonel, OGD, 795th Ordnance (LM) Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 12 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois. ✓

By command of Major General TADDLE:

H. J. GOLIGHTLY  
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Chief of Staff.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR  
SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL  
SECTION III - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

GERALD C. TRACY, 01301901, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Seeing that his company was being pinned to the ground and systematically reduced by extremely heavy enemy fire, First Lieutenant TRACY fearlessly stood upright and moved forward among the men calling to individuals and exhorting them to press on in the attack. Reaching the head of the company, he moved on in the face of terrific enemy fire leading a light machine gun section and two rifle platoons to the gravel pit. He quickly reorganized the company, moved out of the gravel pit, but was hit in the head by a sniper's bullet. Although severely wounded, he took charge of a group of walking wounded and prisoners and led them back to the rear, capturing several more prisoners as they moved back. Entered military service from New York.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LE ROY G. HASL, 37287468, First Sergeant, INF, Service Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 18 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ROBERT J. MC ELHON, 36248770, Private First Class, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ALLAN L. MC COY, 36249286, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ELMER W. JURGENS, 36062106, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 13 April 1945.

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Entered military service from Illinois

CLIFFORD W. PARKER, 31191583, Private First Class, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 February 1945 to 13 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

LEONARD A. WELLS, 37421477, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

ALBERT L. ALFARO, 39001350, First Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

BILLY G. BERRILSFORD, 39404084, Corporal, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from California.

LOUIS O. BENJAMIN, 15105866, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOL D. CAIN, 34388705, Private First Class, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

ALBERT P. DE CAPP, 36063650, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

JOHN G. GRACE, 33805990, Private First Class, INF, Company E, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN JERGOVIC, 37448335, Staff Sergeant, Signal Corps, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

EDWARD J. KRUZLAK, 36359826, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.



JAMES P. KAVOOLAS, 36356449, First Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOSEPH W. LYNCH, 36715306, Corporal, FA, Battery B, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

DONALD C. MARCELLUS, 12106223, Corporal, FA, Battery B, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

GEORGE PARODY, 31285033, Private First Class, INF, Company E, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

GLENN L. TILLYER, 36687741, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company G, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

EARL DAGWELL TELYER, 35464267, Private First Class, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 December 1944 to 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

STEPHAN R. MUTH, 36842281, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, 920th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

PAUL D. McRANDA, 15116688, Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

EVLETT G. NORDESLTH, 36356091, Corporal, FA, Battery B, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM E. O'BROUKE, 42045867, Corporal, FA, Battery B, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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FRANK M. STOLPA, 37298459, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

EDWARD V. SLAMINSKI, 36249612, Sergeant, INF, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT T. VERNELLI, JR., 31208935, Technician Fourth Grade, Signal Corps, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOSEPH F. WENSKI, 35388948, Corporal, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

KENNETH O. WOOLSEY, 35485855, Private First Class, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

WILLIAM W. WIKINS, 37209845, Sergeant, Signal Corps, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

WILLIAM A. WIDALL, JR., 31452007, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

OWEN W. BURKE, 37208492, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

HENRY F. BROLIN, 16084963, Technician Third Grade, Signal Corps, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOSEPH J. DOOLIN, 36062241, Corporal, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES H. DUVALL, 33890211, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service

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in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944, to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

MAXWELL M. GUBIN, 31193114, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

FREDERIC H. GORDON, 35362827, Sergeant, INF, Company H, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 October 1944 to 13 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIS W. HARRILL, 34974264, Private, INF, Company E, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

GEORGE LARKINS, JR., 6553433, First Sergeant, INF, Company I, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 29 December 1944 to 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

CARL F. BRIDGE, 01319258, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 November 1944 to 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT H. BROWN, 37209796, Corporal, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

JAMES W. BRIDGITT, 33448780, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 November 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

WILLIAM T. CRAIG, JR., 36950266, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 4 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

RICHARD A. GOODY, 34445238, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

DUANE F. GOWING, 37439129, Private First Class, INF, Company M, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

CLYDE A. GRAPES, 37443014, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company F, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

MALVIN P. LENHART, 37450964, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

RAY L. MOE, 37293877, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota.

JOHN G. PEARSON, 34136036, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

RAYMOND L. SMITH, 0453160, Captain, INF, Company H, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 January 1945 to 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

ROY H. SWANN, 35486520, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 November 1944 to 4 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

TROY F. TATE, 34445053, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 November 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

JACK WOLK, Jr., 36572335, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 21 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

HENRY T. BATES, 37104386, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin, No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

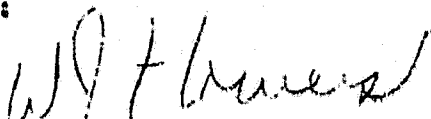
CHARLES H. GOLLETT, O516171, Major, JAGD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

HARRY E. HARROP, W-2108721, CWO, USA, 95th Division Headquarters, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR

AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par D Sec IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

ARCHIE R. ADAMS, 35504172, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in Fraulauter, Germany. Despite presence of enemy tanks and numerically superior enemy in adjacent houses, Staff Sergeant ADAMS led five men from his platoon in a midnight attack on a hostile fortification destroying its steel doors with 80-pound charges, killing all of its occupants. An attack held up for two days by this fortification was then able to proceed. His fearless leadership and combat skill in the face of unknown peril reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant ADAMS and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERT B. FARMAN, 31417402, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Uhlenbrock, Germany. When his Company was held up at a road block by a 20mm gun and heavy small arms fire Staff Sergeant FARMAN and another soldier daringly exposed themselves in order to reach a small patch of woods from which they could flank the road block and attack from the rear. Moving in from the rear Staff Sergeant FARMAN and his companion threw hand grenades into the enemy position, knocking out the 20mm gun and killing two and wounding one enemy soldier. This courageous action permitted the Company to continue its advance without the loss of a man. Staff Sergeant FARMAN'S superb courage and combat skill typify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

GEORGE K. KARI, 36356287, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Semecourt, France. When Staff Sergeant KARI, lead scout of his platoon, fearlessly entered a grove of trees, used by the enemy as a strong-point, he could hear machine guns firing repeated bursts at his comrades, to the left and right rear. Carefully continuing, he approached to a point where he could see the two machine guns. At this point the BAR man caught up with him and proceeded to quickly overcome the machine gun nest to the right front. Then, firing his M1 rifle rapidly from the hip, Staff Sergeant KARI assaulted the machine gun nest to the left front, killing one German instantly. Caught by surprise, the other three Germans quickly surrendered to Staff Sergeant KARI. The enemy strong-point thus overcome,

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the Company's advance continued. The quick thinking, cool courage, and superb combat skill exhibited by Staff Sergeant KAHN reflect great credit upon him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLEMENT F. LARSON, 16084936, Sergeant, INF, Company D, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hamm, Germany. When called upon to put his 60mm squad in action, Sergeant LARSON deliberately left his place of cover and ran thru an open stretch of ground covered by intense enemy mortar fire to secure a vantage point for observation. His observation point was quickly covered by enemy mortar fire, but Sergeant LARSON held his ground, calmly and efficiently directing his squad's fire despite the fact that he had neither cover or concealment. His courageous act was a source of inspiration to his squad which quickly took advantage of his able direction and pinned down the enemy long enough for the company to advance and take its objective. Sergeant LARSON'S inspiring leadership and fearless conduct on this occasion reflect great credit upon himself and the entire military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ELMER G. REED, 37296268, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Private First Class REED faithfully performed his duties as mortar ammunition bearer in a superior manner, once carrying explosive charges through burning buildings, booby traps and mines to an enemy held pillbox which was later successfully blown. On this occasion, falling debris set his clothing afire and he beat out the flames with his hands and continued to the successful completion of his mission. His gallant service reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ALLAN J. YRANIAN, 35316139, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Uhlenbrock, Germany. Company A was temporarily delayed by devastating rifle, panzerfaust and 20mm fire from a group of SS Troops in the woods southwest of Uhlenbrock in the Ruhr Pocket. Leaving the comparative safety of a house he and two companions made a frontal attack on the enemy positions. After a brief fire fight, during which six enemy were killed, one taken prisoner and the remaining fifteen routed from their positions, the Company was then able to move ahead. His courageous and steadfast devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on Staff Sergeant YRANIAN. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES SMED, 36600852, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Uhlenbrock, Germany. Company A was temporarily delayed by devastating rifle, panzerfaust and 20mm fire from a group of SS Troops in the woods southwest of Uhlenbrock in the Ruhr Pocket. Leaving the comparative safety of a house he and two companions made a frontal attack on the enemy positions. After a brief fire fight, during which six enemy were killed, one taken prisoner and the remaining fifteen routed from their positions, the Company was then able to move ahead. His valiant skill in combat reflects great credit on Private First Class SMED and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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ANTHONY J. SUSCO, 31196771, Sergeant, INF, Company M, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on the afternoon of 4 April 1945. Sergeant SUSCO, a machine gunner in the First Platoon, moved his gun into position behind an opening in the wall of a wrecked building 300 yards southwest of the Lippe Canal. From this position, in support of Company M, he directed intense and accurate fire on the enemy positions. When his squad leader was seriously wounded Sergeant SUSCO assumed command and remaining with the gun directing such concentrated and accurate fire that 20 of the demoralized enemy surrendered. This group had been the greater portion of the left flank defense of the bridgehead and as a result of their surrender this sector was left unprotected against the assaulting platoons. Sergeant SUSCO'S heroic devotion to duty exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Connecticut.

MORRIS HYMAN, O-1296861, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 7 November 1944, in the vicinity of Mirange-Silvango, France. While leading a combat patrol, one of its members set off an anti-personnel mine, killing 2 men and seriously wounding Lieutenant HYMAN and 7 others. Despite the fact that his leg was broken and his body was riddled with shrapnel, Lieutenant HYMAN withdrew his men to a position of safety, and started evacuating the wounded. Only after the last man had been carried to safety, did Lieutenant HYMAN allow himself to be evacuated. Due to his calmness and sound judgment there was no panic amongst the men, and their morale remained high despite their critical condition. The valiant courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant HYMAN reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

WILLIAM L. STARK, O-1167233, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, 920th FA Bn, for gallantry in action on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the enemy attacked in force, for the purpose of reducing our bridgehead at Saarlautern, Lieutenant STARK and his forward observer group found their position completely surrounded and cut off early in the action. In the face of vicious attacks by the enemy, Lieutenant STARK posted his men at windows and gallantly defended their OP until relieved; Lieutenant STARK himself while continuing to adjust Artillery fire, accounted for 12 enemy infantrymen with small-arms fire. Lieutenant STARK'S courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

WILBERT S. SULA, O-1301893, First Lieutenant, INF, Company H, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Niederaden, Germany. Upon learning of a large enemy force moving toward the bridge at Niederaden with the intention of destroying this vital link, First Lieutenant SULA unhesitatingly directed his jeep into the perimeter of this enemy held town. From an exposed position he personally fired the 50 calibre machine gun mounted on the jeep, at the enemy force causing them to take cover along the autobahn leading to the bridge. He then, by use of the patrols radio, called for and adjusted artillery fire on the enemy positions holding off the demolition crews until friendly forces arrived in strength to secure the bridgehead. The aggressive, courageous action and devotion to duty displayed by First Lieutenant SULA reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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JAMES G. KLINE, 16103362, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Rammelfangen, Germany. Staff Sergeant KLINE was advancing with his platoon when heavy enemy machine gun fire killed his platoon leader. He promptly reorganized his platoon, sent out a six-man patrol to flank the machine gun, then personally led a marching fire attack against other German positions in the area. After a 100 yard advance, this intrepid soldier and a comrade boldly assaulted a second machine gun, killed the gunner, and wounded the second crew member. The two then advanced to a schoolhouse and there provided effective covering fire for their platoons entry into town. Staff Sergeant KLINE'S fine leadership and gallantry reflect great credit on him and exemplify highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOHN E. SHUCK, 36600733, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Masson, Germany. When two platoons of Company A were pinned down by enemy 20mm fire Technical Sergeant SHUCK volunteered for a two man patrol to destroy the enemy position. Under heavy flak and mortar fire this patrol succeeded in flanking the position and from that point knocked out the gun with rifle grenades. Three of the enemy were killed and two wounded enemy were taken prisoner. The courageous and heroic action displayed by Technical Sergeant SHUCK reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

PHILIP F. O'KEEFE, 31468926, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class O'KEEFE'S superior performance as first-scout rifleman during this period is typified by his deeds at Lisdonf, Germany, when he was leading element of a night security patrol and was largely responsible for the surrender of an enemy house containing seven prisoners, 25-pounds of dynamite, bazookas, rifles and pistols. His actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JAMES R. MANN, 16169770, Private, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres, France. Private MANN, a litter bearer with an infantry company, voluntarily entered a mine field which at that time was under heavy enemy fire, to evacuate casualties. His heroic performance of duty at the risk of his own life exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department, and reflects singular honor on himself. Entered military service from Illinois.

LYLE J. BASHAW, 37288477, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, at Marl, Germany. Staff Sergeant BASHAW and his squad were advancing on their objective when they were subjected to sniper fire. Staff Sergeant BASHAW exhorted his men to leave him where he was rather than endanger themselves trying to evacuate him. A tank was sent forward and Staff Sergeant BASHAW successfully directed its fire in the elimination of the enemy sniper, and not until then would this intrepid soldier permit his squad to come forward and evacuate him. His actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

FRANK L. CAMPBELL, JR., 14124269, Sergeant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of

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North Lunen, Germany. Sergeant CAMPBELL, volunteered to return to the ammunition dump to draw ammunition for his section. Accompanied by another soldier, he started back across an open field approximately 500 yards wide which was being pounded by intense enemy artillery fire. Although forced to crawl at times, they continued their mission until they had safely reached the ammunition dump, carried as much ammunition as they possibly could, and unhesitatingly started on the return trip. During the recrossing of the open field enemy snipers opened fire but the men were not to be stopped. Although heavily laden, they opened fire on the snipers and Sergeant CAMPBELL'S accurate fire wounded two of the enemy. On rejoining the section, the guns were quickly put into action in time to repulse the enemy counter attack. His actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina. ✓

WALLACE R. DAVIDSON, 12143955, Private First Class, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Private First Class DAVIDSON was a member of a litter squad on duty at the Moselle River. Despite continuous, intense mortar and sniper fire Private First Class DAVIDSON persevered in his dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from the bank of the river. His complete devotion to duty and utter disregard for his own safety reflects distinct honor upon himself, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from New York.

WOODROW ABSTON, 34500393, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, at Hilbeck, Germany. Private First Class ABSTON volunteered to participate on a daring night patrol with the mission of evacuating a wounded comrade. Though fully aware of the obstacles confronting him this soldier proceeded to cross 300 yards of open terrain, which was subject to enemy machine gun fire. Successfully passing through an enemy mine field and through barbed wire entanglements, this soldier heroically accomplished his mission without being detected by the enemy. The daring actions of Private First Class ABSTON, in the evacuation of his wounded comrade, reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered the military service from Tennessee.

ARTHUR A. DUNSHEE, 37153984, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Greibeck, Germany. While serving as an observer for an 81mm mortar squad of Company D, Staff Sergeant DUNSHEE saw the enemy constructing a bridge across the Ruhr River with the obvious intention of counter attacking with the support of armor. Covering this operation was a heavy barrage of 88mm fire from enemy tanks. Realizing the gravity of the situation, Staff Sergeant DUNSHEE strung a wire to within 300 yards of the river, established an OP, and from this exposed position directed fire on the enemy. Staff Sergeant DUNSHEE'S actions under hostile observation and extremely heavy enemy fire caused many enemy casualties, destroyed the bridge, and effectively stopped the possibility of a counter attack. His actions reflect great credit on \*

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him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

JOHN J. FALTINEK, 36184095, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Anti-Tank Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in Fraulautern, Germany. During an enemy counter attack on Fraulautern, one of Technician Fifth Grade FALTINEK'S comrades was seriously wounded by artillery fire and required an immediate blood transfusion. Without regard for his own life and with the aid of two other comrades, Technician Fifth Grade FALTINEK evacuated the wounded man by litter through an extremely severe artillery barrage to the battalion aid station. His fortitude and devotion to his comrade at the risk of his own life reflect great credit on Technician Fifth Grade FALTINEK and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

BLN G. FIELDS, 34445970, Corporal, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 April 1945, in the vicinity of Greibeck, Germany. The enemy was observed constructing a bridge across the Ruhr River to enable them to counter attack with armor supported infantry. This was being done under cover of an 88mm barrage from enemy tanks. Corporal FIELDS, gunner with the mortar platoon of Company D, learning of this fact, determined to place 81mm mortar in a position to enable him to fire on the area. Without hesitation, he instructed the crew members to follow him and they displaced the mortar to an exposed position where, although under heavy fire themselves, he and his crew placed heavy and accurate fire on the enemy. This fire destroyed the framework of the bridge, killed a number of the enemy and completely eliminated possibility of a counter attack. His actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

RAYMOND T. FLOYD, 33842415, Sergeant, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Uhlenbrock, Germany. On 9 April 1945, while Company A was in the attack, a member of the machine gun section was seriously wounded in some woods to the southwest of Uhlenbrock, Germany, in the Ruhr Pocket. In order to evacuate him and administer first aid, it was necessary to creep and crawl approximately 200 yards through wooded terrain while under mortar and small arms fire. With disregard for his own personal safety, Sergeant Floyd and another soldier unhesitatingly went to the aid of the wounded man and carried him back to the aid station. The daring action of Sergeant FLOYD, in the evacuation of his wounded comrade reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered the military service from Maryland.

OTIS E. HIGGINBOTHAM, 38694614, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. In addition to performing his duty as battalion MP with high efficiency, Private

HIGGINSBOTHAM repeatedly volunteered to assist the A & P Platoon in supply work and evacuating wounded. In Fraulautern, Germany, he unloaded demolition charges from four trailers in the open street during a fierce barrage. His unselfish devotion to duty and high personal courage reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

WILLIAM E. JAHN, 36356348, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Dinker and Nord Dinker, Germany. Technical Sergeant JAHN with two members of the I & R Platoon, accompanied the point of an infantry battalion attacking across the Lippe River. Though under very heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, Technical Sergeant JAHN was in constant communication with the leading company and kept battalion commanders informed as to enemy locations and friendly troop dispositions. When three friendly tanks were disabled by enemy fire Technical Sergeant JAHN with a companion went forward under heavy enemy fire, found the tank unit commander and brought him back to the Company Command Post where further orders could be issued to him by the Battalion Commander. His heroic devotion to duty in the face of great danger reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES M. LARSEN, 14149385, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 8 April 1945, in France and Germany. As squad leader in the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon, he maintained a high degree of efficiency, delivering ammunition and other supplies to front line positions over difficult terrain and under merciless enemy fire, until wounded by a mine while removing a road block near Hirschberg, Germany. His devotion to duty contributed materially to his Battalion's success in combat and exemplifies highest military traditions. Entered military service from North Carolina.

MORTON LEVISON, 32994393, Sergeant, INF, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 April 1945 to 16 April 1945 in the vicinity of Sudberg, Germany. On 8 April 1945 he stopped a disorganized withdrawal of two squads. In the absence of the squad leaders he took command, and rallied the squads in the face of approaching enemy armor. Information he obtained from two prisoners greatly aided Company C in planning and executing a successful attack on the town of Sudberg the following morning. The quick thinking and initiative displayed by Sergeant LEVISON in taking over command of two squads and quickly organizing a compact fighting unit reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

HARRY S. MOTSCHENBACHER, 32614394, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944, to 8 April 1945, in France and Germany. As ammunition bearer in the A & P Platoon he ignored many obstacles and the proximity of the enemy to perform his duties in a superior manner, keeping Battalion riflemen supplied with ammunition, water and rations. After excellent supply work in the reduction of a Siegfried Line pillbox, he was wounded by a mine while clearing a road block near Hirschberg, Germany. His heroic service reflects great credit on

him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALFRED L. MC KNIGHT, JR., 35315997, Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippberg, Germany. While working tirelessly as radio operator and mail clerk, Sergeant MC KNIGHT and two comrades volunteered to search out enemy infantrymen reported near company positions. Courageously they advanced and captured five enemy. Sergeant MC KNIGHT, believing that others lurked nearby, continued his search and after a brief fire fight, captured three more. His courageous, skilled performance is in keeping with high traditions of the military service and reflects distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES SUSSMAN, 33735735, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hillbeck, Germany. The 3rd Platoon of Company A, holding an advanced position, was without communication with the remainder of the Company vital for the successful continuation of the attack on the town of Hillbeck, impossible to either install or maintain the needed wire communication. Completely overlooking personal safety, Private First Class SUSSMAN, volunteered to carry a "300" radio across nearly a half mile of wooded terrain within enemy rifle fire range. Although enemy artillery and later sniper fire became fierce, he managed to reach the Platoon Leader and maintain radio communication for a period of approximately 20 hours under the most trying conditions until the platoon could organize and arrange a coordinated attack with the other Platoons in the morning. The heroic and courageous action of Private First Class SUSSMAN is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon them. Entered military service from Maryland.

LIVELAN W. THOMPSON, 36063124, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 January 1945 to 20 January 1945, at Illarfangen, Germany. Always superior in his performance of duty as section sergeant, this intrepid soldier was skillfully observing and giving fire directions, when three direct artillery hits on his Observation Post drove him and his radio operator from the building. Courageously returning to this post, Technical Sergeant THOMPSON then directed fire that knocked out one machine gun and forced another to be withdrawn. This heroic performance of duty typifies highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CARROL F. BURCHETT, 35316052, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Private First Class BURCHETT, together with six other men was sent on patrol into the town of Klotingen, Germany. While still 100 yards from the outskirts of town, they were fired on from concealed enemy positions. Despite the enemy fire, the patrol was very aggressive in their action and captured two prisoners. Only after accomplishing their mission did they withdraw, taking the two prisoners along. The team work and aggressive action displayed was responsible for the return of the patrol with only one casualty. Private First Class BURCHETT'S courage and calmness under fire reflects great credit on him and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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CARL M. ALDRIDGE, SR, 44005430, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Private First Class ALDRIDGE, together with six other men, was sent on patrol into the town of Klotingen, Germany. While still 100 yards from the outskirts of town, they were fired on from well concealed enemy positions. Despite the heavy enemy fire, the patrol was very aggressive in their action and captured two prisoners. Only after accomplishing their mission did they withdraw, taking the two prisoners with them. The team work and aggressive action displayed was responsible for the return of the patrol with only one casualty. Private First Class ALDRIDGE'S courage and calmness under fire reflects great credit on him and the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

JOE D. MORRISON, 34988415, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Private First Class MORRISON, together with six other men, was sent on patrol into the town of Klotingen, Germany. While still 100 yards from the outskirts of town they were fired on by well concealed enemy positions. Despite the enemy fire, the patrol was very aggressive in their action and captured two prisoners. Only after accomplishing their mission did they withdraw, taking the prisoners along. The team work and aggressive action displayed was responsible for the return of the patrol with only one casualty. Private First Class MORRISON'S courage and calmness under fire reflects great credit on him and the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

PAUL VADASZ, 35927268, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hilbeck, Germany. Private First Class VADASZ volunteered to participate in a daring night patrol with the mission of evacuating a wounded comrade. Though fully aware of the obstacle confronting him, this soldier proceeded to cross 300 yards of open terrain, which was subject to enemy machine gun fire. Successfully passing through an enemy mine field and through barbed wire entanglements, this soldier heroically accomplished his mission without being detected by the enemy. The daring actions of Private First Class VADASZ, in the evacuation of his wounded comrade, reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WALTER L. AVERY, 31228090, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JAMES A. CLEMENT, 37285969, Corporal, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

BERNARD FLEISCHMAN, 32975682, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from New York.

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ROBERT H. GRINER, 34904104, Sergeant, INF, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 January to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

RALPH J. GARRY, 36982761, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 December 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

LEO F. JANKOWIAK, 36963677, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

ANDREW M. MARTINKO, 35316248, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES N. MC MILLAN, 0339804, Major, INF, Headquarters 3d Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

GEORGE S. NOONAN, 01285280, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 October 1944 to 5 December 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOHN P. SMITH, 01180050, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

GERARD C. TRACY, 01301901, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 March 1945 to 12 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN E. THOMAS, 19204236, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 September 1944 to 1 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WOODROW W. WEST, 34989532, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 December 1944 to 2 May 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

JOE B. WOOD, 0428087, Major, Medical Corps, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 5 May 1945. Entered military service from Texas.



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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR

SECTION II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

WOODROW D. WEBB, 38698947, Private First Class, INF, Company E, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945 in Germany. Private First Class WEBB, under heavy fire from an anti-aircraft weapon, boldly advanced on the gun position driving the enemy from their weapon and enabling his company to advance and capture the weapon and 32 prisoners from other nearby enemy positions. This heroic performance of duty typifies highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Texas.

LYNDON A. SUNDBERG, 0380787, Captain, INF, Company L, 378th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945 in Germany. From 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, during the battle of the Ruhr, Captain SUNDBERG, commanding Company L, 3rd Battalion, 378th Infantry, despite terrific enemy small arms and mortar fire, led his company day after day, successfully assaulting and siezing many stoutly enemy-held positions. His leadership was a continual inspiration for his men. His keen tactical knowledge and applications of sound principles of warfare, permitted his company to take fanatically defended positions while suffering the least possible casualties. Captain SUNDBERG's extreme devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

DAVID L. SIMPSON, 16072500, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in vicinity of Uerdingen, Germany. Sergeant SIMPSON led a motorized patrol of reconnaissance at night through enemy held territory for an Infantry Battalion which followed. In spite of enemy artillery and small arms fire Sergeant SIMPSON made contact with friendly troops and led the Infantry Battalion safely and without fear of ambush to the objective, the bridge over the Rhine River in Uerdingen. The fearless determination and devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit of distinction upon himself. Entered military service from Illinois.

CHARLES H. MORRIS, JR., 33887750, Private First Class, INF, Company K, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neheim,

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Germany, When passing a schoolhouse which was flying a white flag, he saw an enemy soldier looking through a window. He fired absconce and hit the soldier with one shot, then led 6 men into the building where, after a brief fire fight, they captured 17 enemy. Private First Class MOHRS' initiative and leadership reflect distinct credit upon him, and upon the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

GOTTHOLD OTTMER, 37591096, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany. At the height of the heavy counter attack by enemy paratroopers, Sergeant OTTMER without regard for his own safety, administered first aid and transported a wounded comrade to a protected location while under constant enemy fire. Sergeant OTTMER'S courageous act reflects great credit upon him and is in keeping with the high traditions of military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

MARLE D. MAYBORN, 37489334, Private First Class, INF, Company I, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944 in the vicinity of Ffulautern, Germany. Entering a street, swept with enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class MAYBORN successfully recovered a bazooka and ammunition that had been dropped by a wounded gunner. Taking the place of the wounded gunner, Private First Class MAYBORN proceeded to blast a hole in a wall separating two buildings allowing his Company to move on and accomplish its mission. Private First Class MAYBORN'S fearless skill in combat contributed greatly to the success achieved by his company, reflecting high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ROLINHOLD B. KNIRSCH, 31452018, Corporal, FA, Battery C, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of Uerdingen, Germany. When a vitally needed radio was requested by the Forward Observers to replace one that had gone dead, Corporal KNIRSCH was given the mission of bringing the radio up; without the aid of map, compass or proper orientation, he started his perilous mission. Disregarding heavy mortar barrages and sniper fire which blew the tire of his jeep, he continued on his mission until it was successfully completed. The staunch determination, valiant initiative and disregard for his own personal safety displayed by Corporal KNIRSCH reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

RALPH V. FELL, 38669094, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 April 1945, near Applebeck, Germany. Private First Class FELL observing some enemy soldiers loading in a truck, advanced on the group, under fire cover from the squads B.A.H man, and opened fire with his bazooka, killing 5 enemy and taking 8 prisoners. This heroic performance of duty typifies highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

VINSON W. W. LEATHLEWOOD, 34963872, Private First Class, INF, Company C, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weissberg, Germany. Helping his platoon wipe out a pocket of resistance on the Berlin Autobahn, Private First Class LEATHLEWOOD maneuvered forward with his automatic rifle through heavy fire to an exposed position from which he could cover his platoon as it moved upon the objective. His action was instrumental in the platoon's success in the mission without loss of a man. His persistence and courage reflect great credit upon himself and is in highest keeping with military traditions. Entered military service from North Carolina.

WILLIS W. WOOD, 37336788, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Cannon Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France and Germany. As a driver for the company reconnaissance officer, on missions scouting new gun positions and as general messenger, Technician Fifth Grade WOOD braved heavy enemy artillery, mortar and sniper fire almost daily during combat periods. His vehicle was hit many times, but through his skilled manipulation was never put completely out of action. His heroic performance of duty at the risk of his life exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on Technician Fifth Grade WOOD. Entered military service from Colorado.

FRANK J. SIMANDL, 36600716, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Uhlenbrock, Germany. On 9 April 1945, while Company A was in the attack, a member of the machine gun section was seriously wounded in some woods to the southwest of Uhlenbrock, Germany, in the Ruhr Pocket. In order to evacuate him and administer first aid, it was necessary to creep and crawl approximately 400 yards through wooded terrain while under mortar and small arms fire. With disregard for his own personal safety, Private First Class SIMANDL and another soldier unhesitatingly went to the aid of the wounded man and carried him back to the aid station. The daring action of Private First Class SIMANDL, in the evacuation of his wounded comrade reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT E. PIERCE, 38445726, Private First Class, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945 in the vicinity of H. S. Lohe, Germany. When his squad was pinned down by a well-concealed machine gun, Private First Class PIERCE advanced into the dense underbrush and intense fire until he spotted the enemy position. He then opened fire with his automatic rifle, killing all of the crew, and smashing the gun. Private First Class PIERCE'S outstanding bravery and initiative reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

PEDRO L. HERNANDEZ, 38071117, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, near Kamen, Germany. Staff Sergeant HERNANDEZ spotted a concealed enemy flak position, immediately realizing the danger to the company to his immediate rear he proceeded to crawl, under heavy small arms fire, to a nearby tank in order to direct the

tanks fire to the concealed position. As a result of his daring action this concealed position was knocked out without the loss of a man. Staff Sergeant ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~'S outstanding bravery and initiative reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Mexico.

MARTIN W. EYLER, 33138801, Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 April 1945, near Schweifer, Germany. On observing that his BAR man was pinned down by enemy fire, Sergeant EYLER immediately opened fire on the enemy position thereby drawing their attention to him and allowing an opportunity for the BAR man to withdraw. Sergeant EYLER later charged the enemy position knocking out the position and capturing several prisoners. Sergeant EYLER'S outstanding bravery and initiative reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

LLOYD H. SMITH, 37209848, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 11 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

ALLEN M. WATKINS, 12187261, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 December 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

JAMES T. WILSON, JR., 15105862, Corporal, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 20 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

EUGENE E. WILLEY, 36353148, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, 9th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 5 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

SHOCKLEY M. WARELL, 37373455, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 27 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

JOSEPH A. STIGMEYER, 36357237, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 17 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT V. ROBBINS, 34438225, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 18 December 1944 to 10 March 1945 in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

ROBERT G. RUHLAND, 37602072, Private First Class, INF, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 1 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Missouri.

RICHARD SCHNEIDER, 32899280, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

JACK P. SCHMIDT, 16172023, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 15 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

PAUL R. STICK, 36600312, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM H. PITTSING, 32722441, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 December 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

JAY MULLER, 34388836, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 November 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

PAUL H. LINDENB, 34388553, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 December 1944 to 12 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

EDWIN E. LILVIN, 12157025, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 March 1945 to 2 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

ANDREW J. MANTLIK, 31193130, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

WILLIAM P. MASON, 32634131, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 20 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

LOGAN J. HOOD, 13175690, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN R. HUNTER, 36061232, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 October 1944 to 17 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES R. JONES, 34375030, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

RUSSELL H. KELLM, 16093212, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ANDREW J. LURNS, 32355379, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 October 1944 to 5 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

LOUIS M. CANTOFANTI, 42095935, Private First Class, INF, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

BENJAMIN W. CHALECKI, 31327768, Private First Class, MD, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 1 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Connecticut.

EDWARD J. CUNAT, 36359565, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 October 1944 to 17 April 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

COLLINS W. DOHMANN, 36249002, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JAMES H. BURNETT, 17078190, Corporal, INF, Cannon Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 April 1945 in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

OTTIS C. AGLER, 35411391, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 16 December 1944 and from 9 January 1945 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

HARVEY N. ANZEL, 36249085, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 17 March 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JOHN BARNES, 11099893, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

EUGENE J. BLEILER, 15105840, Sergeant, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 October 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

MARIO U. BUONANOMA, 39913292, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Nevada.

CARL W. DREPPENSTAEDT, 36357476, Staff Sergeant, INF, Antitank Company, 377th Infantry Regiment for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

LEON KELIER, 37450572, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

JOHNNIE D. NELSON, 34375232, Corporal, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

GEORGE E. SYLVESTER, 0364687, Captain, INF, Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 373th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945, in the Ruhr Valley. Captain SYLVESTER, commanding Company K, despite terrific enemy small arms and mortar fire, led his company day after day, successfully

assaulting and seizing many stoutly held positions. His leadership was a continual inspiration for his men. His keen tactical knowledge and applications of sound principles of warfare, permitted his company to take fanatically defended positions while suffering the least possible number of casualties. Captain SYLVESTER'S extreme devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

ROBERT S. MOTTI, 01285339, Captain, Ltr, Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 January 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

LAIL W. LAM, 01289278, First Lieutenant, Ltr, Company M, 378th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

WILLIAM L. MYT, 35411029, First Sergeant, Ltr, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

By command of Major General THADDEUS:

H. J. GOLIGHTLY,  
Colonel, G. S. C.,  
Chief of Staff.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

JACK L. TAFF, 36271041, Private First Class, INF, Company I, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany. When his platoon leader ordered a withdrawal from a position on the crest of a hill, Private First Class TAFF volunteered to remain behind to cover the withdrawal. He kept the enemy at bay with his accurate fire, accounting for at least twelve enemy casualties, before the enemy mortally wounded him by automatic rifle fire from the flank. Private First Class TAFF'S brave and determined service reflect great credit upon him and upon the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

LEROY A. ZIEBELL, 36600161, Private First Class, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. While carrying ammunition to his isolated machine gun squad, Private First Class ZIEBELL in a courageous display of offensive spirit killed two and captured five enemy who had shot at him from a nearby house. Private First Class ZIEBELL'S initiative and courage reflect great credit upon him and upon the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM B. SCANNELL, 31241124, Private First Class, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When a man approaching his outpost was seriously wounded by an automatic weapon, Private First Class SCANNELL immediately went to his aid, ignoring fire from the same gun which had wounded his comrade. When he had taken the wounded man to cover this intrepid soldier returned and silenced the gun with his own rifle fire, killing one and wounding two enemy. Private First Class SCANNELL'S brave and heroic deed reflects great credit upon him and exemplifies the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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ROBERT C. LAHRMAN, 02012122, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company H, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 12 May 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout this period the courageous and resourceful leadership shown by Second Lieutenant LAHRMAN was a constant source of inspiration to Company H and an important aid to the success of the company's mission. On 15 November 1944, at Lesse-Batz, France, he led his observer party forward 100 yards in front of the friendly positions two hours before the morning attack, in order to be in the best possible position to assist the advance of rifle elements. While directing mortar fire from this position he received heavy small arms fire from both the enemy and friendly elements. Despite these adverse conditions he directed accurate mortar fire on the enemy, neutralizing their strong positions and facilitating the advance. On 19 January 1945 in Saarlautern, Germany, he layed down heavy concentrations of mortar fire on the battalion's right flank, halting a strong enemy counter attack and protecting the rifle elements while they reorganized and retook the lost ground. The wise and vigorous leadership constantly shown by Second Lieutenant LAHRMAN, through a long and tedious combat period, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

LAWRENCE C. DAVIS, 35435270, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Muzieres-Les-Metz, France. As platoon runner, he took back, through heavy artillery fire, a message to warn the company commander of the presence of three enemy machine guns in the company's path of advance. He was knocked down twice by concussion, wounded by shrapnel, and had his radio shot from his hands by a sniper, while carrying back the message. Despite his wounds, he then volunteered for, and successfully led, an assault upon the machine guns, and he, himself, killed an entire crew with two hand grenades. His heroic deeds reflect great credit upon him and exemplify the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CHARLES S. SCHLON, 0540619, First Lieutenant, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay-Meselle, France. When the rifle company with which he was a mortar observer was halted by automatic weapons fire, First Lieutenant SCHLON led two riflemen across 100 yards of open ground to eliminate the strong point with grenades and bayonets. Later that day he assumed the duties of platoon leader in addition to his own as observer. The heroic personal leadership and the tactical skill displayed by First Lieutenant SCHLON reflect credit upon him, and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GEORGE E. CLARK, 0305803, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When a patrol failed to return from reconnaissance of a pillbox which had delivered heavy fire on his platoon, First Lieutenant CLARK and his platoon sergeant moved out toward the pillbox in the face of deadly machine gun fire. After throwing a grenade which silenced the machine gun, the two men blew a hole in the wall and captured nine enemy soldiers. First Lieutenant CLARK'S inspiring initiative and personal leadership and his heroic and gallant actions reflect credit upon him and exemplify the highest

traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

JAMES H. ALLAN, 01308899, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters, 3rd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Gambotta, France. After leading his first machine gun squad into an advantageous position and helping the depleted crew set up the gun, he then manned the gun to shoot a sniper who was firing on them. He then returned through heavy mortar and artillery fire to his other squad, where he found part of the crew wounded. After giving first aid and moving the wounded to safety, he led the remainder into forward positions. Although wounded at this time, Lieutenant ALLAN refused to leave the area before informing the company commander of the disposition of his weapons. While returning to the rear he stopped, in spite of the still deadly enemy fire, to administer first aid and assist an injured soldier to the Battalion Aid Station. The unflinching courage displayed by First Lieutenant ALLAN on this occasion exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT L. CONDELL, 35362720, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weinsberg, Germany. Given orders to take his squad and flush out a pocket of enemy resistance, Staff Sergeant CONDELL deployed his men for proper covering fire, took two others and moved on the enemy position. When these two were wounded, this squad leader moved them out of danger, then continued his successful attack alone, killing two enemy and capturing three more. Staff Sergeant CONDELL'S initiative and courageous action reflects great credit upon himself and upon the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT F. KUGLER, 16116569, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 and 13 December 1944, in Frensdorf, Germany. Ordered to take six men and hold a captured pillbox to prevent its recapture by an infiltrating enemy, Staff Sergeant KUGLER led his men in repulsing four different enemy assaults upon the fortification until supporting engineers arrived and sealed the pillbox with demolitions. His gallant leadership enabled another battalion to move unharmed along a route covered by the guns of this pillbox. His high personal courage and combat skill reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant KUGLER and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second U. S. Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JAMES TUHINELLO, 42142710, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Dinkor, Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by snipers and two enemy 88mm guns, Staff

Sergeant TUMIELLO armed with a BAR crawled to an exposed position and successfully killed an enemy officer and wounded several members of the gun crew. Despite heavy sniper fire he remained at his position so as to keep the enemy from manning the guns, until his platoon overran the position. Staff Sergeant TUMIELLO'S daring and timely action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

LOUIS F. WOODEN, 33889027, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. In addition to handling his duties as automatic rifleman in a superior manner, he performed several deeds beyond the call of his duties, once ferretting out a sniper who had plined down his entire CP group, and another time carrying rations over long supply routes, through severe shellfire, three consecutive nights. His actions typify high traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit on him. Entered military service from Maryland.

WILLIAM G. BLANKETT, 35505588, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company E, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kamen, Germany. Technical Sergeant BLANKETT was participating with his company in an attack on enemy positions holding up the company advance. When the advance began to slow down due to accurate enemy fire being delivered from dug in positions to the front, Technical Sergeant BLANKETT deliberately exposed himself to enemy observation and fire in order to set up and operate a mortar to fire on the enemy. He dropped his second round directly into the enemy positions, resulting in the wounding of one enemy and forcing four others to surrender. This display of courage and marksmanship on the part of Technical Sergeant BLANKETT eliminated the threat to his company's advance and enabled them to continue successfully on their mission. His actions reflect great credit upon him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

GEORGE F. MULDOON, 31026065, Sergeant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operation against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in North Lunen, Germany. Sergeant MULDOON was machine gunner in the First Platoon of Company D. His Section was located on the second floor of a building on the edge of town. From this position they were able to observe the enemy regrouping for a counter attack. While one gun of the section was moved to the flank in order to secure the most effective positions for cross fire, Sergeant MULDOON, with one other soldier, remained at the other gun and continued to deliver intense fire on the enemy. Although enemy artillery fire and 20mm flak gun fire was extremely heavy, and small arms fire was pouring in the windows where they were stationed they remained at the gun and successfully delayed the coming counter attack until the other gun was again in firing position on the flank and until additional friendly rifle troops had moved up to this forward position. Sergeant MULDOON'S valiant, intrepid conduct under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ELMER F. FEDERSEN, 37128393, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, at Werl, Germany. When Technical Sergeant FEDERSEN'S platoon had reached their objective at Werl, Germany, one of the tanks attached to his platoon was subjected to fire from a panzerfaust fired from a house in advance of the platoon objective. Upon seeing one of the enemy enter the house, less than fifty yards away with another panzerfaust, Technical Sergeant FEDERSEN hastily gathered up a patrol, dashed into this house, braving sniper fire and unknown opposition. Technical Sergeant FEDERSEN'S patrol returned with the enemy soldier and his weapon. This aggressive action enabled the tank to safely maintain its position in the support of the attack. Technical Sergeant FEDERSEN'S high personal courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon him and exemplify highest military traditions. Entered military service from Iowa.

EARL J. WELLS, 35927970, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. As ammunition bearer for his squad, this intrepid soldier braved enemy observation and heavy fire to deliver vital ammunition through this period and particularly at the bridgehead in Metz, France, where he also evacuated a wounded man from a zone crisscrossed by enemy fire. Technician Fifth Grade WELLS'S fearlessness, high personal courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and exemplify highest military traditions. Entered military service from Ohio.

LESLIE W. KRISTOSIK, 35513335, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Exemplary of this Intelligence Platoon scout's superior efficiency throughout his combat performance were: The diagram of an enemy mine field he brought back from a scouting patrol to Foreau Farm near Metz, France, (used by the Battalion in the attack later), and the tracking down of enemy patrols in the snow at Gusingen, Germany. Private First Class KRISTOSIK'S fearless actions and efficiency reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOHN M. GORLICK, 32960939, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippburg, Germany. The 2nd Battalion had a phone operating in a fox hole near the ponton bridge across the Lippe River. The bridge and adjacent area was under constant artillery fire and the bridge had already been knocked out twice when the officer operating the phone, was wounded by an artillery shell fragment and had to be evacuated. Private First Class GORLICK volunteered for the task of taking over the phone. He heroically stayed at his post until the heavy enemy artillery fire had been neutralized and the armor supporting the battalion attack could be moved across the bridge. Private First Class GORLICK'S courage and resourcefulness reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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JAMES J. LAMHY, 31468665, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 24 November 1944 to 16 April 1945 in France and Germany. In addition to performing his duties as scout in a superior manner during this entire period, Private First Class LAMHY on two separate occasions performed daring heroic service. He was among a small group which forced the capitulation of five enemy pillboxes along the Saar River. While clearing woods in the Ruhr pocket, he and another scout consistently spearheaded the platoon advances. Private First Class LAMHY'S combat skill and resourcefulness reflect great credit on him and his heroic acts exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JULIUS BAGI, 36477472, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 January 1945, in the vicinity of Jallerfongen, Germany. As a radio operator working with a forward observer, Private First Class BAGI was transmitting fire directions with high skill, when three direct artillery hits on the observation post drove the team from the building. Courageously returning to his post, Private First Class BAGI continued to transmit fire directions that knocked out one enemy machine gun and forced another to be withdrawn. This heroic performance of duty typifies the highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

THOMAS A. BAYLEY, 31378915, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 October 1944 to 3 April 1945, in France and Germany. In performing his duties as ammunition bearer, Private First Class BAYLEY ignored the intensity of enemy fire to deliver vital ammunition to his Battalion's forward elements throughout this period, with particularly high efficiency and fearlessness at the Moselle River crossing in Metz and over the difficult terrain of the Boulay-Rammel-fangen area near the Saar. He was wounded by a mine near Hirschberg, Germany, while removing enemy road blocks, for which task he had volunteered. His unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest military traditions and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Connecticut.

BELLEMI L. BOAL, 33761349, Private First Class, INF, Company I, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in Saarlautern, Germany. While his company was pinned down, Private First Class BOAL fearlessly exposed himself, on an open field, to heavy enemy machine gun, mortar, small arms, and heavy artillery fire to successfully evacuate three wounded men and administer first aid to them. His heroic actions at the risk of his life reflect distinct credit on Private First Class BOAL and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MILLICE G. BAHN, 35601031, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of Metz, France. Technician Fifth Grade BAHN was a member of a litter squad on duty at the Moselle River. Despite continuous, intense mortar and sniper fire Technician Fifth Grade BAHN persevered in his dangerous task of evacuating the wounded from the

bank of the river. His complete devotion to duty and utter disregard for his own safety reflects distinct honor upon himself, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

ELMER G. MC DONALD, 36061719, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. In the performance of his duties as jeep driver, Technician Fifth Grade MC DONALD made frequent night trips over difficult terrain in territory known to be occupied by the enemy, once carving a new road when destroyed bridges denied him known roads. Whether through minefield or across a bridge zeroed in by enemy artillery, this fearless driver ignored danger to his person to deliver the material of war to his comrades in the line. His unselfish devotion to duty exemplify the highest traditions and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Illinois.

PHILIP G. MC LAIN, 31431450, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. In the performance of his duties as switchboard operator, Private First Class MC LAIN maintained a consistently high degree of efficiency, ignoring violent threats of personal destruction from enemy fire to keep his battalion's switchboard in uninterrupted operation, even in one case when artillery hits demolished the roof and second floor of the house in which he was working. His unselfish devotion to duty and heroic service reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

KEITH E. MANSFIELD, 35144074, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. As gunner in a mortar squad, Private First Class MANSFIELD performed his duties faithfully and in a superior manner, in several instances craving enemy fire to render the additional service of repairing damaged wire, and carrying rations and much-needed ammunition to hard pressed rifle platoons. Private First Class MANSFIELD'S courage and skill have contributed greatly to his company's successes in combat and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from Indiana.

WILLIAM M. ARTZ, 0439123, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 November 1944 to 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Praulautern, Germany. On many occasions First Lieutenant ARTZ, as forward observer, came under direct enemy fire and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, remained and continued to adjust artillery fire. First Lieutenant ARTZ'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM BENDIS, 12225674, Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, c. April 1945, in the vicinity of Heintrop, Germany.

Private First Class BENJAMIN volunteered to neutralize a machine gun nest hidden in a hedgerow. Disregarding his own personal safety he crawled 75 yards to a position from which he could bring fire on the machine gun crew. Private First Class BENJAMIN took the enemy by surprise and eliminated the machine gun nest, killing two of the crew and capturing three others. Private First Class BENJAMIN'S heroic and skillful performance exemplifies high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

DOMINICK J. DUNNE, 31411146, Private, FA, Battery B, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Informed that two wounded infantrymen were in need of aid, Private DUNNE and his companion exposed themselves to fierce artillery fire to find and help the wounded men. Displaying fearless determination, Private DUNNE and his companion carried the wounded infantrymen to an aid station. Private DUNNE'S courageous performance and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

HARRY H. BLASKY, 31426684, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Informed that two wounded infantrymen were in need of aid, Private BLASKY and his companion exposed themselves to fierce artillery fire to find and help the wounded men. Displaying fearless determination, Private BLASKY and his companion carried the wounded infantrymen to an aid station. Private BLASKY'S courageous performance and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

RALPH W. BERGLUND, 36872932, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Kali, Germany. During an attack on a small town, Company B came under heavy enemy artillery fire. The men ran for the nearby buildings which offered protection against the fierce barrage. On reaching cover it was discovered that one man had been wounded and left in the field. Disregarding his own personal safety, Private First Class BERGLUND returned to his fallen comrade, applied a tourniquet to the man's badly bleeding leg and then carried him to safety. Private First Class BERGLUND'S quick thinking and heroic action in saving a wounded man's life is of outstanding significance and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

CAMERON I. DUNBAR, 37287574, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Gambetta, France. When his platoon was pinned down by fire from woods to the front, Technical Sergeant DUNBAR advanced until he was able to kill one and wound another of the enemy. With the platoon leader wounded and the platoon sergeant dead, he assumed command of the platoon and called for smoke and artillery to cover their successful withdrawal to a more advantageous position. His outstanding courage and leadership are in keeping with the traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon Technical Sergeant DUNBAR. Entered military service from Minnesota.



ORIN MYERS, 33193559, Sergeant, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of H. S. Lohr, Germany. While clearing out a section of the town, Sergeant MYERS took up a commanding position and fired rifle grenades at two tanks which were harrassing his squad's flank. With the tanks thus forced to withdraw, Sergeant MYERS then led his squad against the remaining enemy-held house, killing one, wounding two, and capturing five enemy soldiers. The personal leadership and tenacity of purpose displayed by Sergeant MYERS reflect distinct credit upon him and upon the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

VIRGIL L. SCHULTZ, 35485799, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsberg, Germany. In the absence of his section sergeant, Staff Sergeant SCHULTZ, then a squad leader, led the disorganized mortar section into a large tank ditch for reorganization. With a heavy machine gun section which he found in the same ditch, he moved on into town where he set up his mortars to cover the exposed company flank. The outstanding leadership and bravery under fire displayed by Staff Sergeant SCHULTZ reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

LORELY C. UPTAIN, 34918688, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Throughout the combat time of his unit, he performed his duty of supplying ammunition to the forward elements, in a highly satisfactory manner, several times capturing groups of prisoners. He consistently exposed himself to intense enemy fire without regard for his personal safety. Sergeant UPTAIN'S fearlessness and high personal courage in repeatedly braving enemy fire and observation as ammunition bearer have contributed materially to this battalion's success in battle, and reflect great credit upon him and upon the military service. Entered the military service from Alabama.

EAROLD L. HLETT, 35362767, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bizières-les-Metz, France. When a small force opened up on Staff Sergeant HLETT'S squad with automatic weapons at close range, he crawled forward through the intense fire to kill the four key men with his rifle fire. Later, his superior leadership and courage inspired his troops to successfully repulse an enemy counter attack. The heroism and courage displayed by Staff Sergeant HLETT reflect great credit upon him, and exemplify the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOHN GUARLABASSIO, 31451947, Sergeant, INF, Company G, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Despite a serious head wound received while leading his men through an open field under intense artillery fire, Sergeant GUARLABASSIO remained calm and poised. Refusing first aid, he directed his squad forward through the barrage to safety, and struggled on alone. This sergeant's exceptional courage, an inspiring example to his squad, reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WALTER J. KUNTZ, 33288118, Corporal, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 April 1945, in the vicinity of Welver, Germany. Company B, had been attacking throughout the entire day and as night came the Company was deployed in buildings along a railroad track. Corporal KUNTZ was assistant bazooka man stationed in a position to command a view of the underpass though which an enemy counterattack was expected. As darkness fell, this attack materialized. Corporal KUNTZ, teaming with the other bazooka man, assisted in firing two rounds into an enemy tank. These rockets, while they did not knock out the tank succeeded in turning it back and the infantry following in its wake were left unsupported. As the tank retired, Corporal KUNTZ took up firing his rifle at the foot troops, wounding several. The backbone of the counterattack, having thus been broken, the remaining enemy retreated in rout. CORPORAL KUNTZ'S action reflects great credit upon him and upon the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

DOMINIC T. O'BRIEN, 02006489, First Lieutenant, INF, Company I, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany, and on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neheim, Germany. When his company was subjected to intense fire from concealed positions at Oerlinghausen, he remained in an exposed position and successfully adjusted mortar fire on the enemy. During the attack on Neheim, First Lieutenant O'BRIEN again refused cover from artillery fire so he could direct mortar fire upon enemy installations. The brave and courageous actions of First Lieutenant O'BRIEN reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with all the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILHELM L. LIPIAK, 35315895, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Searlautern-Roden, Germany. In order to stop the infiltration of enemy patrols into a company area, Sergeant LIPIAK spent the night booby-trapping this forward area, several times narrowly escaping capture or death. The following night while setting more booby traps, he was rewarded by finding a dead enemy soldier by one of his traps. Sergeant LIPIAK'S efforts, which denied the enemy vital information and helped immeasurably in the defense of the area, reflect credit upon him and exemplify the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES A. MC GRAVEY, 31421733, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Searlautern-Roden, Germany. The rifle companies of the 1st Battalion, manning the most forward positions in the Battalion zone were awaiting a counter attack by enemy tanks known to be in the immediate vicinity. Friendly troops were displaced in buildings on one side of the street and the enemy in the buildings on the other side. In view of the expected attack it was directed that a hasty mine field be laid in the street between the enemy and friendly positions. Private First Class MC GRAVEY, under cover of darkness, proceeded in this difficult and dangerous task. As the tactical value of this plan would have voided had the enemy realized what was being done, it was necessary to hand carry the mines, place them, arm them, and retire in such a manner as to avoid attracting the enemy's attention. The

very darkness which made this plan possible also made the placing and arming of these mines highly dangerous. Working unarmed, Private First Class MC GRAVEY, made three trips into this territory and completed the mission without drawing a round of fire or a challenge from an enemy sentry. When the mines had served their purpose it was necessary to remove them in order to permit the advance of friendly tanks. With the enemy in their same location, this intrepid soldier, during broad daylight successfully removed the mines which he had placed the night before. The brave and courageous actions of Private First Class MC GRAVEY, reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with all the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

IVLY V. HILMANN, 33849444, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 December 1944 in Germany. On 5 December 1944, Company B, was engaged in an attack on enemy positions located in the town of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. At one point the sniper fire was so intense as to delay the attack, Private First Class HILMANN, the lead scout, was in a position where he could observe enemy riflemen in a house across the street from his position. Disregarding his own personal safety, he made his way across the street, killing one of the enemy as he was preparing to throw a grenade at Private First Class HILMANN'S platoon leader. He then placed accurate fire on the positions, known to him, to be enemy held. This fire disorganized the enemy snipers to such an extent that it was possible for Company B to reach its advance. The brave and courageous actions of Private First Class HILMANN, reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with all the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

THEODORE W. CHRISTEL, 36956254, Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 March 1945 through 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JOSEPH H. LEBEL, 3113667, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROBERT W. D. CARPENTER, 36841953, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 December 1944 to 31 December 1944. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

VINGLIE A. GLISKI, 31293320, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

RALPH K. SIMONS, 16017161, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 April 1945 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

EDWARD C. MILKOSKI, 31125868, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from, Connecticut.

MAURICE B. JEFFSON, 36356474, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from, 13 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

GERALD C. J. KOTH, 36841634, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from, 19 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JOHN B. VAN ALLEN, 01322104, First Lieutenant, INF, Company I, 377th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 23 November 1944 to 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM F. MALL, 01323812, First Lieutenant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

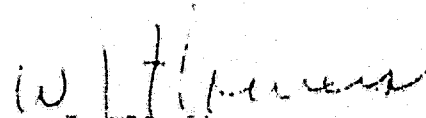
ALEXANDER G. DE LAI, 35315897, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

LEWIS G. KIRKENS, 025404, Captain, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JOHN W. FORD, 42092905, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 April 1945 in the vicinity of Wellinghausen, Germany. While attacking the town of Wellinghausen on 5 April 1945, the first squad of the Light Machine Gun Sect on of Company K was ordered to move to a house 200 yards from the road to provide flank protection for the Company. After estimating the enemy situation, Staff Sergeant FORD volunteered to cross the fire swept road and cut a path through a hedge and thus shorten the distance to the house. He cut the hedge with his bayonet and a mesh fence with an ordinary pair of shears after which he raced for the house. After reaching the house Staff Sergeant FORD gave covering fire to allow the rest of the squad to reach the house unharmed. During this action Staff Sergeant FORD worked while exposed to direct enemy fire. Staff Sergeant FORD's superb courage and combat skill typify the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit on him. Entered military service from New York.

MICHAEL ZOVATH, 35388957, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, near Boulay-la-Moselle, France. On 26 November 1944, during the attack from Boulay-la-Moselle, France, Staff Sergeant ZOVATH moved forward under an intense enemy mortar and artillery barrage to set up his 81mm mortar on the forward slope of a hill. Staff Sergeant ZOVATH'S mortar was the only one in position to support Company I as it battled for it's objective. Realizing the importance of his weapon, Staff Sergeant ZOVATH put his gun in action and immediately began delivering heavy fire in support of the rifle company. Although the enemy returned fire in heavy concentrations, Staff Sergeant ZOVATH steadfastly refused to withdraw. Despite the great danger to himself, he made several trips over exposed ground to bring up ammunition in order that his gun might continue it's firing. Staff Sergeant ZOVATH'S outstanding bravery and devotion to duty reflect credit upon him and exemplify the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

EDWARD A. MUMS, 12147975, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Because of a barrage of great intensity during a counterattack on this city, all 18 of the Battalion's wire lines were knocked out within a few minutes. Realizing that this had to be

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repaired at once, this courageous wireman left the Battalion CP and, working intensely for four hours under constant fire, located and repaired all breaks in the lines. Later that day, when several more lines went out, Technician Fifth Grade MUMF went out and repaired them, this time with the additional hazard of infiltrating snipers. His tenacity of purpose and valiant actions reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with highest military traditions. Entered military service from New York.

ARNOLD A. MILLER, 30061475, Corporal, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, during the advance on Fraulautern, Germany. Corporal MILLER, accompanying his platoon leader forward on reconnaissance to pick the platoon's new firing positions, was caught in an intensive enemy artillery barrage, in which the platoon leader was killed. Corporal MILLER returned to the platoon area and proceeded to lead the men into their new position. He ably carried out the plan of his platoon leader and placed the platoon in a favorable position, from where they effectively delivered fire upon the enemy, causing innumerable casualties to the enemy. Corporal MILLER's initiative and splendid exemplary heroic service reflects credit upon him and exemplifies the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

LEONARD MC CULLY, 38185330, Sergeant, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Amanvilles, France. With total disregard for his own personal safety, Sergeant MC CULLY braved the dangers of hidden mines and heavy small arms fire to go to the rescue of three seriously wounded men, administer first aid, and direct litter bearers in their evacuation. He then returned to the task of supplying badly-needed ammunition to his gun, not failing even after being knocked down twice by exploding shells. Sergeant MC CULLY'S outstanding bravery reflects credit upon him and exemplifies the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

JOSEPH M. LOEFFLA, 30089753, Private First Class, INF, Company C, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Weisberg, Germany. When a well dug-in enemy stopped his platoon from clearing an important enemy road block, Private First Class LOEFFLA and another soldier dashed across a railroad embankment through heavy automatic fire, and surprised the enemy with a lightning-fast attack from the rear, killing three and forcing the surrender of four others. His alertness, bravery, and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon him. Entered military service from Ohio.

EDWARD A. LIPINSKI, 36062024, Private First Class, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 December 1944 to 25 December 1944, at Fraulautern, Germany, and on 2 April 1945, at Gallinghausen, Germany. In Fraulautern, Private First Class LIPINSKI, although ill enough to require hospitalization, repeatedly refused evacuation and remained to accomplish numerous missions with his squad, when only three men were left. At Gallinghausen, he withstood a hail of small arms fire to bring up ammunition, and later to evacuate two wounded riflemen to the aid station from a precarious position. Private First Class LIPINSKI'S brave and loyal service reflects great credit upon himself and exemplifies high traditions of the military service.

, Entered military service from Illinois.

THOMAS T. BRADY, 35888964, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company I, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Gerlbachern-Roden, Germany. When his squad leader was killed during an attack upon an infiltrating enemy patrol, Technical Sergeant BRADY assumed command of the disorganized squad and initiated a frontal attack by the rest of the squad while he and a comrade circled the enemy and approached from the rear. The ensuing fire fight resulted in the capture of 21 enemy and four automatic weapons. His gallant and courageous actions and initiative reflect great credit upon him and upon the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

FRANK BADISH, 36508133, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company K, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Betz, France. When several men were severely wounded while crossing an unmarked enemy minefield, Technical Sergeant BADISH went for litter bearers. He assisted in application of first aid and evacuation of men, and was himself seriously wounded in the process. Only when his men had been reorganized and had advanced past the minefield did he accept aid and evacuation. This devoted and courageous action reflects credit upon Technical Sergeant BADISH and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

CLAY CONKRIGHT, JR., 35704808, Private First Class, INF, Company C, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 April 1945 in the vicinity of Weisseberg, Germany. When his platoon met stubborn resistance at a well-protected road block by a railroad overpass, Private First Class CONKRIGHT and a comrade dashed across the tracks through a hail of automatic fire and surprised the enemy with a lightning-fast attack from the rear. Three enemy were killed and four forced to surrender. His alertness and bravery are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ROBERT B. INGLES, 36901409, Private First Class, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 April 1945, in the vicinity of Oerlinghausen, Germany. Private First Class INGLES led a patrol deep into the enemy's defenses, bringing back detailed information needed to take the company objective the following morning with only light casualties. This daring and courageous deed reflects great credit upon Private First Class INGLES and is in keeping with the high traditions of military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

CASIMIR T. KHOLKOSKI, 36358597, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. In the performance of duties first as squad leader in the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon; as a platoon sergeant of the Military Police Platoon he maintained a consistently high degree of efficiency, ignoring at all times obstacles, adversities, and danger to himself.

His assistance in evacuating the wounded, removing the dead, and guarding prisoners, repeatedly done under heavy enemy fire, contributed materially to the successes of his Battalion. Technical Sergeant KROLIKOWSKI'S unselfish devotion to duty reflects great credit upon him and exemplifies the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

MILDRED E. LINDSON, 16092782, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. As Second Battalion's radio chief, Staff Sergeant LINDSON'S fearless display of combat skill throughout all of his Battalion's engagements has contributed materially to its successes in combat. His skillful and consistently efficient operation of SCR 300 radios for his fast moving Battalion Command Post was the only means of communication on many occasions of heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. In the Moselle River crossing into Metz, he braved enemy observation and small arms fire in crossing the Moselle River by boat to maintain radio communication. His unselfish devotion to duty exemplify highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CHARLES R. PELLION, 32355063, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945 in the vicinity of Nord Lunern, Germany. On the morning of 9 April 1945, as Company B was advancing across open fields in the vicinity of Nord Lunern, Germany, it was suddenly fired upon by machine guns from two enemy half-tracks partly concealed about 200 yards to the right front. Private First Class PELLION was rifle grenadier of the third platoon which was pinned down in a deep ditch. Private First Class PELLION quickly maneuvered to the right along the ditch until he could plainly see the half tracks. He then daringly exposed himself to get a clear shot at one of the half tracks. All members of the crew were taken prisoner as they dismounted, and with this enemy strong point eliminated, the company continued on its mission. His unselfish devotion to duty exemplify highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from New York.

DAVID H. RUBYON, 35085357, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945 near Heeren-herve, Germany. While advancing toward a patch of woods across an open field on 10 April 1945, near Heeren-herve, Germany, Private First Class RUBYON was fired upon by an enemy machine gun. He crawled to the right flank, while the rest of the platoon provided covering fire, and captured the machine gun, number 42 and 7 prisoners. This action enabled the platoon to continue their advance. Rubyon's gallantry and disregard for his own personal safety saved many lives of his fellow comrades and made it possible for his platoon to carry on their advance. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CHARLES R. HUGHS, JR., 13175903, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945, in the vicinity of Brackel, Germany. While advancing against the enemy in the vicinity of the town of Brackel, Germany, on 12 April 1945, Staff Sergeant HUGHS was leading his squad up the street along side some horses and his squad was fired upon by the enemy from the basement window of a house, wounding Staff Sergeant HUGHS. Staff Sergeant HUGHS then realizing the danger his men were in and with disregard



to his own safety advanced towards the house and threw a grenade into the basement window which stopped all enemy action within that position, thus enabling the rest of his men to complete their mission. Fifteen prisoners were taken as a result of this action and the rest of the company moved to their objective. His unselfish devotion to duty exemplify highest traditions of military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ANTHONY P. DE PAUL, 36604007, Private First Class, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Minieros-les-Illes, France. When his platoon which was assaulting the slag pile was fired upon from the flank, Private First Class DE PAUL, moved through the direct fire to a close-in position and silenced the enemy with well placed grenades. Private First Class DE PAUL'S heroic and daring action reflects credit upon him and is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

PHILLIP T. DAGGY, 36982438, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When his outpost was isolated without supplies or communication and although they were subjected to intense small arms and artillery fire, Staff Sergeant DAGGY kept his men fighting against their attackers for many hours, inflicting many casualties but receiving only two. Staff Sergeant DAGGY'S courageous, resourceful conduct and guiding example to the men under him reflect credit upon him and are in keeping with the traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALEXANDER E. CZAKWLSKI, 36422926, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunera, Germany. During the afternoon of 10 April 1945, Company B was completing its mission with its third platoon on the right. A dense woods separated the company from the objective, a small village. Moving along on the only passable road, the platoon prepared for the expected battle. Private First Class CZAKWLSKI spotting a hay stack on his right, noticed some movement. On approaching the stack he yelled a command to come out. Four Polish PWS appeared and Private First Class CZAKWLSKI using his knowledge of Polish gathered information on enemy positions and troops in the vicinity. He reported his findings and volunteered to lead a patrol into the outskirts of the woods. Approaching the woods, they crawled to the house, and with the information obtained from Polish PWS, Private First Class CZAKWLSKI located a window where a machine gun was in position and threw two hand grenades through it. Swiftly rushing into the house he dashed to the room containing the gun where he found two enemy soldiers dead and two wounded. The intrepid courage so displayed by Private First Class CZAKWLSKI is a great credit to him and exemplifies the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

CHARLES F. COHILL, 36389021, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945, in France and Germany. Staff Sergeant COHILL, with superior efficiency throughout this period, led an anti-tank squad which safeguarded flanks of advancing troops, secured ground gained against enemy armor, knocked

out enemy OPs, and silenced enemy mortar positions. In one instance, in advance of an armored column in the Ruhr, Staff Sergeant COTTRILL and his squad captured three wagons of ammunition, fired two gas trucks, dismantled a locomotive, and captured 21 prisoners. His fearlessness and heroic service reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ANTHONY J. CAVALLA, 42103948, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 19 January 1945 to 22 January 1945. Private First Class CAVALLA repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire to give aid to the wounded men of Company M. On the night of 21 January 1945 he helped extricate two men buried alive by a mortar shell, and in spite of the unfavorable conditions of darkness, cold, snow, and artillery fire, saved the life of one of the men. The following day he covered two thousand yards of exposed terrain to aid three seriously wounded men. These deeds performed under difficult conditions reflect distinct credit upon Private First Class CAVALLA and are in keeping with the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

CLIMON J. BOMBARD, 31448455, Private First Class, LIF, Company K, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. Although wounded himself by grenade fragments, Private First Class BOMBARD braved a torrent of machine gun and sniper fire to move two wounded companions to safer positions and administer first aid. Only after these two had been fully cared for did he allow himself to be treated and evacuated. Private First Class BOMBARD'S outstanding courage and devotion to duty and to his comrades reflect great credit upon him and exemplify the high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

JOHN H. BOONE, 31459611, Private First Class, LIF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945, in the vicinity of Nord Lunern, Germany. On the morning of 9 April, Company B had pushed off into the attack. The third platoon had a separate objective and a heavily wooded area screened them from the rest of the company. While advancing across an open field, toward a group of houses, an enemy machine gun opened up on them from the woods on the left, pinning the platoon down. Private First Class BOONE, with disregard for his own personal safety, moved out into the open to wipe out the position with his M1. He laid down a withering fire on the enemy position, but when he reached the woods his M1 jammed. Private First Class BOONE hurled his only grenade with deadly accuracy, killing the machine gunner and his assistant, thereby eliminating an enemy strong point and allowing the platoon to move forward and take their objective. Private First Class BOONE'S courageous and daring action merits the high praise of his comrades. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOHN BAULR, 33839289, Private First Class, LIF, Company K, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neheim, Germany. Under the covering fire of his comrades, he crawled to the entrance of a courtyard in which he had seen four enemy soldiers. Then he charged in with his gun blazing, ignoring the enemy fire. This courageous

assault resulted in the capture of seven enemy soldiers. Private First Class KAULB's valiant and willing action is in keeping with the traditions of the military service, and reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Maryland.

JOHN E. STONKROCK, 35614645, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945 in the vicinity of Budberg, Germany. On 7 April 1945, when part of his squad on a night patrol was pinned down by machine gun fire from its front and accurate rifle fire from its right flank, Staff Sergeant STONKROCK, led three men to an advanced position where effective rifle and anti-tank rifle grenade fire could be brought on the house from which the rifle fire came. Disregarding the machine gun fire, Staff Sergeant STONKROCK silenced the fire from the house which freed the remainder of the squad from an untenable position. Staff Sergeant STONKROCK's valiant and willing action is in keeping with the traditions of the military service, and reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Ohio.

RAYMOND L. SHANNON, 15301863, Private First Class, INF, Company K, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement, in connection with military operations against the enemy, in an attack on the Ruhr River, on 13 April 1945. In the early morning hours of Friday, 13 April 1945, when Company K, was spearheading an attack to the Ruhr River, Private First Class SHANNON, accompanied by another soldier, showed exceptional courage and personal initiative which resulted in the capture of twenty-two Germans. When his platoon reached Berghofen, Germany, Private First Class SHANNON and his companion entered a house and captured a German Lieutenant and sergeant and forced these two prisoners to lead them to other nearby buildings in which the Lieutenant's platoon was quartered. After turning this group in, Private First Class SHANNON and his companion organized a larger group and were instrumental in the capture of several more prisoners. The aggressive actions of Private First Class SHANNON added greatly to the bag of prisoners taken by his company and prevented the escape of personnel who might have alerted other enemy units in the path of the advance. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERT S. SCHAEFER, 33836070, Private First Class, INF, Company L, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. Private First Class SCHAEFER, platoon radio operator, moved through heavy machine gun, mortar, and artillery fire to reach an advantageous position from which he adjusted artillery fire and knocked out two machine guns which were pinning his platoon down. Private First Class SCHAEFER'S daring and courageous action is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

GERALD J. MONTGOMERY, 15105798, Staff Sergeant, Company L, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 April 1945 in the vicinity of Ramon, Germany. In the vicinity of Ramon, Germany, on 11 April 1945, Staff Sergeant MONTGOMERY led his squad on a patrol to clear out a group of houses that were hindering the advance of the Company. In leading his squad Staff Sergeant MONTGOMERY had to wipe out a group of Germans who were defending an anti-aircraft position. Staff Sergeant MONTGOMERY captured the Germans and also the gun, thereby clearing the exposed flank. His courageous and

aggressive action enabled his company to continue their advance and reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CASPER S. FISCHER, 37593626, Private First Class, INF, Company C, 170th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, near Berwiche, Germany. On 4 April 1945, Company C was ordered to attack and capture the town of Berwiche. As our troops moved into town, fire from enemy artillery, mortars, and snipers caused a number of casualties and momentarily halted the company. Among the wounded was the LAR man covering the left flank. Private First Class FISCHER with complete disregard for his personal safety, raced across 75 yards of open field under the observation of enemy snipers and rendered first aid to the wounded man. Private First Class FISCHER then picked up the wounded man's belt, killed two of the snipers and continued to provide flank protection to the company allowing his platoon to clear the remaining buildings. His courageous and aggressive action enabled his platoon to continue their advance and reflects great credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

CLARENCE W. WOOD, 36420554, Private First Class, INF, Antitank Company, 377th Infantry, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 December 1944 to 4 January 1945, in F. Maultern, Germany. Private First Class WOOD and a comrade served as wire team for his platoon. On numerous occasions during severe fighting in F. Maultern, this intrepid soldier braved grave threats to his personal safety to repair vital communication lines. His devotion and courage reflects great credit upon himself and upon the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALFRED D. FLECK, 33427509, Private First Class, INF, Company C, 377th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hershberg, Germany. As an automatic rifleman, he was one of a group dispatched to recover a battalion truck taken by the enemy and held in a by-passed enemy pocket. This pocket of enemy troops was dug in a covering of a railroad underpass and were in a strong defensive position. Stiff resistance was met as the enemy position was approached. He directed his automatic weapon fire into the enemy position and laid down such an accurate and heavy blanket of fire that he was able to draw all the enemy fire while the other members of his group were able to move around a flank and capture the enemy position. His accurate and heavy concentration of fire killed two of the enemy and was instrumental in the success of the mission. Private First Class FLECK'S skill and bravery reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvnia.

LEONARD L. GOTTON, 37086548, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 17 April 1945, in France and Germany. During that period Technical Sergeant GOTTON performed his duties as platoon leader with out-standing skill and courage throughout action in which Cannon Company was engaged. Technical Sergeant GOTTON'S actions contributed materially in the accomplishment of the major fire missions of his own Company and supporting Artillery. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

ALBERT A. KODNER, 36600763, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres, France. Technician Fourth Grade KODNER, in conjunction with three other volunteers, entered a mine field, which at that time was under severe enemy artillery fire, and successfully performed his mission in caring for and evacuating casualties. Technician Fourth Grade KODNER remained in the mine field rendering first aid and looking after the wounded until all were evacuated despite intense enemy fire. Entered military service from Illinois.

SEMER L. LENNARSON, 17082632, Private First Class, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 January 1945, in Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class LENNARSON, attached to Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, as a litter bearer, was directed to evacuate wounded who were trapped in a house. Although he was instructed to remain in the house if fired upon, after seeing the condition of the wounded men, he immediately began the process of evacuation which took him across a street swept with machine gun fire. Private First Class LENNARSON'S heroic action reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Iowa.

ALPHONSE OBUCHOWSKI, 02047766, First Lieutenant, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 1 December 1944 to 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. During this period, First Lieutenant OBUCHOWSKI repeatedly risked his life in order to deliver medical supplies to front line troops of the 95th Infantry Division fighting in Saarlautern and to promptly evacuate the wounded therefrom. Because of First Lieutenant OBUCHOWSKI'S completely fearless action in the face of intense enemy artillery fire the lives of many wounded were saved. The devotion to duty displayed by him is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Connecticut.

WILLIAM ROSEN, 32879041, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 April 1945 to 17 April 1945, in the Ruhr Pocket. Throughout this period, Private First Class ROSEN performed his duties as Radio Telephone Operator with outstanding efficiency and devotion to duty.

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in spite of fierce enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. His courage and skill were largely instrumental in placing artillery fire where it was badly needed near Klotingen, Hillbeck, Werl and Izen and in the accomplishment of many other missions.

WILLIAM G. SHAVER, 37533512, Corporal, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 27 and 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. Corporal SHAVER in company with other members of his squad, distinguished himself by evacuating casualties from a mined area, while being subjected to heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. Corporal SHAVER not only performed his duties as a litter bearer but also served as an aid man when the infantry battalion was short of manpower, this job at times being accomplished under heavy fire. Corporal SHAVER'S valiant conduct reflects great credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kansas.

ELTON M. SMITH, 37293576, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Wichmoder, Germany. When Company A was held up in their attack by an enemy strong point, Technical Sergeant SMITH, voluntarily went out through heavy mortar and bazooka fire with one other man to an advantageous point. From that spot they destroyed the enemy position by killing three enemy and taking two more prisoners. Technical Sergeant SMITH showed exemplary initiative and heroism. Entered military service from South Dakota.

JAMES H. CARROLL, 01296996, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippburg, Germany. When First Lieutenant CARROLL'S small convoy of essential vehicles was proceeding through pockets of by-passed enemy resistance toward the front line companies after crossing the Lippe River, it encountered a group of the enemy holding the only road into the forward Battalion area. Organizing the few men and the available weapons he had with him, First Lieutenant CARROLL attacked the group with crossed fire from .50 caliber machine guns, with the result that a total of thirty prisoners were taken and the supply and medical evacuation to the forward area was opened up. First Lieutenant CARROLL'S courageous, undaunted action reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

NORMAN DUNCAN, 34269900, Private First Class, MD, Company B, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France and Germany. During the battles for Metz and Saarlautern, Private First Class DUNCAN continuously served as a litter bearer with rifle companies in the attack. He repeatedly and unhesitatingly subjected himself to intense enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire in completely performing his duty. Several times Private First Class DUNCAN evacuated casualties across the Moselle and Saar Rivers in assault boats, making possible the prompt administration of medical treatment to the wounded. Entered military service from Georgia.

FRANCIS G. EDDY; 39387528, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 23 January 1945, in Saarlautern, Germany. Staff Sergeant EDDY was detached to 1st Battalion, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, to evacuate two litter patients who were trapped in a house at Saarlautern, Germany. He was told to remain in the house if he was fired upon while attempting to gain the house. A machine gun fired as he entered the doorway, but seeing the condition of the casualties, he decided to evacuate them at once. He helped carry the wounded across the street even though he and his squad were under direct machine gun fire during the operation. This act reflects credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

HILDING E. ANDERSON, 36184875, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 November 1944 to 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelot, France. On the night of 12 November 1944, Private First Class ANDERSON helped lay communication lines through a mine field not knowing it was there until he was half way through. He continued on, getting communications into 1st Battalion so Cannon Company could fully support the Battalion in the attack at Metz. Private First Class ANDERSON went out under heavy sniper fire in Gravelot on the afternoon of 13 November to keep communication lines into 1st Battalion after enemy artillery had knocked out communications three times. Entered military service from Michigan.

SAM S. ARDILLO, 33712623, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Private First Class ARDILLO as a member of a seven man patrol crossed 500 yards of open terrain on a patrol into enemy lines. When only 100 yards from the enemy positions, the enemy opened fire inflicting one casualty; nevertheless, the patrol successfully completed its reconnaissance mission and brought back a prisoner and information needed by Regimental Intelligence for the coming attack on Klotingen, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

GLENN BIGGERSTAFF, 38068103, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 27 and 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. Technician Fourth Grade BIGGERSTAFF and his squad of litter bearers were attached to an infantry company. When the regular aid man became a casualty Technician Fourth Grade BIGGERSTAFF also took over his duties. During the entire period he was under constant mortar fire and small arms fire. He distinguished himself by going into a mine field to evacuate the wounded. His resolute leadership and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

WILLIAM T. BOURKE, 12139175, Private First Class, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 23 January 1945, in Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class BOURKE was attached to Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, to evacuate two litter patients who were trapped in a house at Saarlautern, Germany. He was told to remain in the house if he was fired upon while attempting to gain the house. A machine gun fired as he entered the doorway, but seeing the condition of the casualties, he decided to evacuate them at once. He helped carry the wounded across the street even though he and his squad were under direct Machine gun fire during the operation. Entered military service from New York.



ROBERT F. BUSHNELL, 11079467, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 and 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelot, France. On the night of 12 November 1944 Private First Class BUSHNELL helped lay communication lines through a mine field not knowing it was there until he was half way through. He continued on, getting communications into 1st Battalion so Cannon Company could fully support the Battalion in the attack at Metz. Private First Class BUSHNELL also went out under heavy sniper fire in Gravelot on the afternoon of 13 November to keep communication lines into 1st Battalion after enemy artillery had knocked out communications three times. Entered military service from Illinois.

ALVIN D. DAHMER, 37331462, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

LAWSON D. MITCHELL, 14168202, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

EARL W. SCHUMACHER, 36359389, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM H. STRAWN, 36600754, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JAMES A. TURNER, 35486031, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WALTER JACOBSMA, 37422972, Sergeant, INF, Company M, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 April 1945 to 17 April 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

OTTO G. TEGLER, 33169625, Technician Third Grade, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MARCUS W. WESTERVELT, 0544986, Captain, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Arizona.

JAMES E. BARNES, 37208524, Private First Class, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 1 & 2 December 1944. Entered military service from Montana.

DAVID W. JONES, 6136143, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Connecticut.

FLOYD REID, 34436513, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 2 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

RAYMOND B. SMELSER, 02000058, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 February 1945 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Nebraska.

GERALD F. SPENCE, 36247862, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JACK E. STUCKY, 0470328, Captain, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Oregon.

VERNON E. SWANSON, 37679079, Sergeant, INF, Company G, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 19 November 1944. Entered military service from Iowa.

HARRY F. CLIFTON, 33387774, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 March 1945 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

WILLIAM H. BLEDSOE, 37210071, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company M, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

RICHARD E. CLARK, 35061208, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company B, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

GLYDE E. CRISWELL, 37210091, Technical Sergeant, MD, Headquarters & Headquarters Detachment, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 November 1944 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

JOHN F. DOWNIE, 42012597, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 November 1944 to 22 November 1944. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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JOHN T. GORMAN; 38676622, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 1 April 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

THOMAS W. JAMES, 36217715, Technician Third Grade, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 2 March 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ARTHUR F. ALLWOOD, 31468660, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOHN J. BELLEDER, 37448297, Technical Sergeant, MD, Headquarters & Headquarters Detachment, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 November 1944 to 13 April 1945.

CHARLES L. BUONO, 0532978, Captain, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 February 1945 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

PRESTON A. MC DANIEL, 33858236, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 April 1945, in the vicinity of Uerdingen, Germany. Without regard for his own safety while the remainder of his squad was pinned down by murderous enemy fire, Private First Class MC DANIEL advanced alone toward a fiercely resisting enemy strong point. Firing from his automatic rifle he made a frontal assault on the enemy's position completely overwhelming the position by his bold advance. Private First Class MC DANIEL killed 14 German soldiers and wounded another five eliminating the resistance in this area and permitting the platoon to move forward. Later when an enemy "Panzerfaust" was fired into the platoon from a screen of woods to their front, Private First Class MC DANIEL was knocked down by the explosions but regaining his feet he again moved forward firing his weapon unceasingly until the platoon had overrun the enemy. The courage displayed by Private First Class MC DANIEL exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit on him. Entered military service from Virginia.

DAVID C. CANNON, 02009588, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company C, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Morten, France. When attacking across open ground the enemy inflicted heavy casualties upon Second Lieutenant CANNON'S Company. The area where the wounded lay was under constant machine gun and mortar fire. Because the Company aid men had become casualties Second Lieutenant CANNON organized two litter groups and led them across the open ground to evacuate the wounded. Although under heavy fire Second Lieutenant CANNON made repeated trips until twenty casualties had been evacuated. Then he established an aid station in an abandoned house and supervised the administering of first aid. Second Lieutenant CANNON then made his way to the battalion aid station and brought back litters and supervised the evacuation of all the wounded to the battalion aid station. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

DONALD T. PAUL, 01285110, Captain, INF, Headquarters 2nd Battalion, 378th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 April 1945, in the vicinity of Niederaden, Germany. Realizing the importance of seizing a bridge intact across the Seeseke River, Captain PAUL commandeered a

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a reconnaissance vehicle and proceeded on a personal reconnaissance of the area. Unable to obtain the desired information, Captain PAUL, with utter disregard for his own safety, crossed 900 yards of open terrain under machine gun fire and worked his way to an OP in the outer perimeter of Niederadan. Then using the .50 cal. machine gun on the reconnaissance vehicle he caused the enemy to halt and take cover. Using the patrol's radio, Captain PAUL called for and adjusted artillery fire on the located enemy and held off the demolition crews until this bridgehead could be secured and established. The courageous actions of Captain PAUL reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LUDWIN F. EBENKAMP, 37213353, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Welper, Germany. Company B had been attacking all day and by nightfall had reached the town of Welper, where it set up defense positions along a railroad track that ran through the middle of the town. Private First Class EBENKAMP, with other members of the mortar squad were assigned the duty of defending an underpass against enemy tanks or troops. As dusk was falling an enemy tank advanced through the underpass and began shelling the house in which Private First Class EBENKAMP was posted. They immediately opened fire on the tank and it soon withdrew back under the underpass to safety. Even though Private First Class EBENKAMP was badly dazed by the shell fire, he assisted in taking care of the wounded and remained on his post until relieved by a new man. Entered military service from Kansas.

FRANK BAWOL, 36509271, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company M, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schmohauser, Germany. Technical Sergeant BAWOL assumed command and reorganized his machine gun platoon after the platoon leader had been seriously wounded. The rifle company to which Technical Sergeant BAWOL'S platoon had been attached was temporarily held up by intense "88" and 20mm gun fire. Through Technical Sergeant BAWOL'S skill in deploying his guns they were able to give sufficient and devastating overhead fire assisting in the advance of the company and consequent over-running of the enemy positions. Through his dauntless leadership and skillful handling of his sections, not one casualty was sustained by the machine gun platoon. Entered military service from Michigan.

STEPHEN JAKOSAK, 12227317, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Lippburg, Germany. On the morning of 4 April 1945, the Combat Scouts, 379th Infantry Regiment crossed the Lippe River in the vicinity of Lippburg, with the mission of attacking and holding two strong points. When the Combat Scouts were nearly on one of their objectives, Private First Class JAKOSAK, saw a German soldier run from one position to another. After the patrol secured the farm, Private First Class JAKOSAK detached himself from the main body and sneaked behind the position where he last saw the enemy soldier, found him

and with one smashing stroke of his fist rendered the enemy unconscious. When the prisoner, was carried back and revived he gave information which was invaluable to the Battalion Commander for his attack. Entered military service from New York.

CURTIS W. FRASSLEY, 34388579, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hilbeck, Germany. Private First Class FRASSLEY volunteered for a night patrol to evacuate a wounded comrade who had been wounded in an earlier patrol behind the enemy lines. The patrol in order to reach the wounded man had to cross open terrain covered by enemy machine gun fire, pass through a German mine field, a waterfilled moat, and barbed wire entanglements. The mission was accomplished in spite of these impossible conditions and Private First Class FRASSLEY is worthy of recognition for his courageous and heroic action. Entered military service from South Carolina.

HARRY D. SOPRANUK, 33924313, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hilbeck, Germany. Private First Class SOPRANUK volunteered to go on a night patrol to return a wounded comrade. This patrol in order to reach the wounded man crossed open terrain covered by enemy machine gun fire, passed through a mine field, water filled moat, and barbed wire entanglement. The mission was successfully accomplished. The courageous and heroic action displayed by Private First Class SOPRANUK reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JACK A. ADAMS, 37668500, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hilbeck, Germany. Private First Class ADAMS, volunteered to go on a night patrol to return a wounded comrade. This patrol in order to reach the wounded man crossed open terrain covered by enemy machine gun fire, passed through a mine field, water filled moat, and barbed wire entanglement. The mission was successfully accomplished. The courageous and heroic action displayed by Private First Class ADAMS reflects great credit upon him. Entered military service from Iowa.

LEO HANDELER, 32058040, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, in the vicinity of Gesede, Germany, on 13 April 1945. Private First Class HANDELER and another soldier with utter disregard for their own personal safety during a furious artillery barrage picked up a severely wounded comrade and carried him nearly 60 yards to the shelter of a school house. Although the barrage increased in intensity, Private First Class HANDELER did not leave his comrade until the wounded man's safety was assured. The outstanding courage of Private First Class HANDELER reflects everlasting credit upon him and the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

GUS JAMLIOS, 36357341, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company M, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, when the organization was engaged in attacking Saarlautern, Germany. He assumed command at a critical

time when the section and the company was under a heavy enemy artillery barrage. Displaying exceptional initiative and leadership, Technical Sergeant JANETOS rallied his men, got his weapons into position, and personally directed the badly needed fire in support of the attack. By his timely actions, on this occasion, he prevented heavier casualties among his comrades and was of immeasurable assistance in the completion of the attack. Entered military service from Illinois.

MICHAEL J. TRIBULAK, 36357323, Sergeant, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations on 31 November 1944, in the vicinity of St Barbara, Germany. Sergeant TRIBULAK and a squad of litter bearers entered the town with an infantry company. During the ensuing fight, the enemy supported by tanks launched a counter attack that inflicted heavy casualties on our troops. Disregarding any thought for his own safety Sergeant TRIBULAK removed several wounded from the main street. His gallantry was an inspiration to his men, and caused them to persevere in their hazardous duty. His acts reflect singular honor on himself, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

DONALD G. WEAVER, 37293526, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 April 1945, in the vicinity of Sonnen, Germany. When enemy opposition temporarily halted the attack, it was immediately apparent to Technician Fourth Grade WEAVER that the mortars must be moved to a more favorable position which would be less exposed and which would enable them to participate in the defense against a probable enemy counter attack. After reconnoitering the new position, Technician Fourth Grade WEAVER went back to lead the section to this new position. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, he took the most direct route to return to the section and moved through the streets for a distance of approximately 600 yards under intense Flak gun, 88mm, and mortar fire so that he might accomplish his mission without waste of time. He was knocked down by an exploding mortar round, but continued until he had reached the section. His cool and clearheaded leadership brought the section to the new position, where they mounted their guns just in time to deliver fire which succeeded in breaking up the enemy counter attack. The heroic and courageous action displayed by Technician Fourth Grade WEAVER reflects great credit upon him and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ROBERT L. THOMEL, 33663935, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Hilbeck, Germany. Private First Class THOMEL volunteered for a night patrol to evacuate a wounded comrade who had been wounded in an earlier patrol behind the enemy lines. The night patrol had to cross open terrain covered by enemy machine gun fire, pass through a German mine field, a water filled moat, and a barbed wire entanglement. The mission was accomplished in spite of these impossible conditions and Private First Class THOMEL is worthy of recognition for his courageous and heroic action. Entered military service from Virginia.

MACK B. MORRIS, 34685641, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military

operations against the enemy, on 6 April 1945, in the vicinity of Klotingen, Germany. Private First Class MORRIS, as a member of a patrol ordered to proceed into enemy territory to obtain information, aided materially in preventing the enemy from inflicting heavy casualties on our forces by assisting in the capture of two prisoners from which valuable information was obtained. The teamwork and daring action displayed was responsible for the return of the patrol with but one casualty. Entered military service from Georgia.

ZORA TRUMBO, 36603030, Corporal, MD, Company B, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Metz France, and Saarlautern, Germany. During the battle for Metz and Saarlautern, Corporal TRUMBO continuously served as a litter bearer with rifle companies in the attack. He repeatedly and unhesitatingly subjected himself to intense enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire in completely performing his duty. Several times Corporal TRUMBO evacuated casualties across the Moselle and Saar rivers in assault boats, making possible the prompt administration of medical treatment to the wounded. His courage and skill under fire are in keeping with the high traditions of the Medical Department, and reflect great credit upon Corporal TRUMBO. Entered military service from Illinois.

LE ROY W. KALLAL, JR., 14130468, Private First Class, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 23 January 1945, in Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class KALLAL was detached to 1st Battalion, Company C, 379th Infantry Regiment, to evacuate two litter patients who were trapped in a house at Saarlautern, Germany. He was told to remain in the house if he was fired upon while attempting to gain the house. A machine gun fired on him as he entered the doorway but, seeing the condition of the casualties, he decided to evacuate them at once. He helped carry the wounded across the street regardless of the fire brought on him and his squad during the operation. This act reflects great credit on both him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

JOHN HINCKA, 36184241, Corporal, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 April 1945, in the vicinity of Aplerbeck, Germany. On 8 April 1945 near Aplerbeck, Germany, Corporal HINCKA was participating in the attack on that city and serving as a radio operator in his company's forward observer party. Corporal HINCKA was approximately 150 yards from the OP position he was to occupy to bring correct supporting fire on the enemy position. With complete disregard for his own safety, Corporal HINCKA began running toward the building, carrying his radio across the 150 yards of fire swept terrain. From his covered position until he reached the building he was subjected to flying fragments from the bursting artillery shells and the concentrated enemy small arms fire. However, he was successful in reaching the observation post and there set up his radio and under the forward observer's directions, called for and received the badly needed supporting fires which smothered the enemy positions and allowed the attacking riflemen to continue the advance. Entered military service from Michigan.



HOWARD GRACE, 36061332, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelot, France. On the night of 12 November 1944, Private First Class GRACE helped lay communication lines through a mine field not knowing it was there until he was half way through. Nevertheless he continued on, getting communications into the 1st Battalion so Cannon Company could fully support the Battalion in the attack at Metz. Private First Class GRACE went out under heavy sniper fire in Gravelot during the afternoon of the 13th to keep communication lines into 1st Battalion after enemy artillery had knocked out communications three times. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARTHUR LOCKER, 32879218, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of the Lippe River, in Germany. On the morning of 4 April 1945, the Combat Scouts, 379th Infantry Regiment, crossed the Lippe River in the vicinity of Lipburg, Germany, with the mission of attacking and holding two strong points. After the objective had been seized and twenty prisoners taken captive, Private First Class LOCKER and another soldier were set guard over them. At about 0600, two German soldiers, armed with machine pistols were seen sneaking toward the building that Private First Class LOCKER and his fellow soldier were guarding the prisoners. Making a quick decision Private First Class LOCKER and the other soldier flattened themselves on either side of the only entrance to the building. Suddenly the door flew open and the two Germans rushed inside. Private First Class LOCKER and his fellow soldier pounced on the two Germans, disarmed them and then threw them to the floor amongst the other prisoners. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM L. LINDLEIGH, 34304508, Private First Class, MD, Company A, 320th Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. Private First Class LINDLEIGH serving as a litter bearer and later as a company aid man, distinguished himself while under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire by evacuating casualties from a mined area. His intrepidity and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

VERGIL L. WIMBLEY, 39725687, Private First Class, INF, Company A, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 April 1945 in the vicinity of Uhlenbrock, Germany. A road block emplacement pinned down the forward elements of Company A. Private First Class WIMBLEY volunteered to accompany his sergeant, and together they reached the rear of this position by crossing open terrain and then encircling it through a woods. With hand grenades they knocked out the position killing two Germans and capturing a third. This heroic action reflects great credit on Private First Class WIMBLEY. Entered military service from California.

THOMAS F. CHILINGS, 01325975, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters 3rd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945, in Germany. In addition to his duties as Anti-tank platoon leader, which he

carried out in an expeditious and superior manner, First Lieutenant GUILMINE acted as liaison between the Battalion Commanding Officer and the companies of the Battalion especially on the occasion of the Battalions' night advance to the Ruhr at Schwerte. The following day he was with the forward command group which initially preceded I Company, the leading Company, when it moved to clean out the area SW of Schwerte, at which time very heavy enemy artillery, mortar, rocket and Anti-Tank fire was received. Entered military service from Kentucky.

III. AWARD OF ONE LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec. IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

WILLIAM L. SHARP, 34370544, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944 in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

VICTOR W. JEFFERSON, 38472879, Private First Class, INF, Company B, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

JERRY COLLINS, 0446877, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery L, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN W. MICHAEL, JR., 02000056, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 April 1945 to 14 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ALBERT V. KINSLOW, 01301836, Captain, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Texas.

ROBERT S. BAIL, 36950186 Private First Class, INF, Service Company, 377th Infantry Regiment, (SD PRO 9 + Division Headquarters) for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 January 1945 to 11 June, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALLISON B. PORTER, 35486194, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

EDWIN R. LEWIS, 0401789, Major, INF, Headquarters 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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RICHARD D. HALLIN, M-2104128, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Service Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

JOHN P. LYCZAK, 36600215, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 18 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

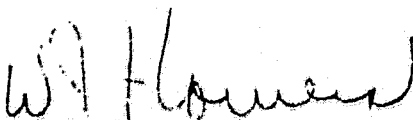
DOUGLAS F. JONES, O2006543, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 February 1945 to 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

LAWRENCE S. ALLOMAY, O1285169, Captain, INF, Headquarters 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 April 1945 to 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

BURDETTE V. MICHAEL, 02016425, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company M, 377th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944 at Ittersdorf, Germany, and 20 January 1945, at Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On 28 November 1944, Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) MICHAEL led two of his men against deadly enemy fire to flush a patrol from a fortified house, killing two Germans. On 20 January 1945, Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) MICHAEL personally ran wire between the sections of his machine gun platoon which was cut off by artillery and by infiltrating enemy soldiers. This bettered control of his weapons and enabled him to eliminate 23 enemy occupying a house in his zone. Later that day, he led a patrol which killed four and captured 15 enemy. Second Lieutenant MICHAEL'S heroic actions, his leadership and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Par. D, Sec IV, Weekly Information Bulletin No. 38, Hq. Second Army, 22 September 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

MARK F. HENGEL, 37287598, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 2 December 1944 to 11 January 1945. Entered military service from South Dakota.

JAMES J. AUGUSTINE, 35316017, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 20 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

HOWARD W. BACON, 39161198, First Sergeant, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 18 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

JOHN B. S. CAMPBELL, 0248713, Captain, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 17 March 1945 to 8 May 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

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RAYMOND V. CLARK, 37213219, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Missouri.

MORTON N. COHEN, 31299504, Technician Fifth Grade, SIG, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

IRVING F. CRANE, 02047604, First Lieutenant, MD, Headquarters, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 29 May 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLAUD J. DE WITT, 37209850, Master Sergeant, MD, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 November 1944 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

BERT M. DUGGER, 37212816, Corporal, INF, Headquarters Company, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROY C. EMERSON, 36070867, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 14 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE E. FEENEY, 39080099, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 18 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from California.

RICHARD T. GLAVIN, JR, 36572223, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM L. HACKATHORN, 37209995, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 18 October 1944 to 18 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

RICHARD L. HUNZICKER, 36508284, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

THEODORE O. JOHNSON, 36353592, Staff Sergeant, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

CRAIG LAWSON, 32762948, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Company C, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 2 November 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from New Jersey.

GEORGE J. MASIAKOWSKI, 36247162, Technician Fifth Grade, SIG, 95th Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANK W. MESTEK, 37286269, Technical Sergeant, MD, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 November 1944 to 13 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

HAROLD L. PARVI, 36184921, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOHN E. SPEAS, 02049850, First Lieutenant, MD, Headquarters, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 15 March 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

JOE J. STEINHOFER, 35541601, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

FRANK W. TAYKALO, 37288113, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

FRANK J. WASIK, 36509335, Technician Third Grade, MD, Company D, 320th Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

WALTER J. WASILEWSKI, 33685579, Private First Class, INF, Company K, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 January 1945 to 6 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT A. WATKIN, 15335862, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, 379th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 3 May 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOHN W. PALMER, 37349850, Technician Fourth Grade, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, 320th Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 16 April 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.