

into the position, destroying the gun. Sergeant G. TLIN'S highly courageous action, which permitted his Company to continue on its mission, reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

II. AWARD OF ONE LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, in addition to a Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ALFRED S. ARUJO, CIC13192, First Lieutenant, INF, (Armored), Company B, ****Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Warbeln, Germany. Although three of his five tanks were not available to him at the time, First Lieutenant ARUJO ordered a continued attack against one of two enemy pillboxes, the destruction of which was his Tank Platoon's assigned mission. Disregarding the bitter enemy mortar and bazooka fire from this position, the two tanks poured telling seventy-six millimeter and machine gun fire into the bunker. Considerably weakened by this action, the fortification was destroyed completely the following day by an air mission. While attacking across the open hill, First Lieutenant ARUJO from his open turret dropped several grenades into foxholes not accessible to machine gun fire. Later while within fifty yards of the bunker and under heavy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, he dismounted from the tank, captured three Germans, forced them to mount the tank and returned with them to safety. First Lieutenant ARUJO'S courageous actions in neutralizing the fire power of this dangerous enemy outpost reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

III. AWARD OF POSTHUMOUS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

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*JOHN R. SCOTT, 6863446, Private First Class, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Emsdorf, Germany. In the drives on Metz and Emsdorf, Private First Class SCOTT, a lineman, endeavored unceasingly to keep vitally essential communications open between the Command Post and the attacking elements of the ~~STAB~~ battalion; with complete disregard for his own safety, and working often under heavy enemy fire and adverse weather conditions, he worked doggedly at his hazardous task. Private First Class SCOTT was killed in action on 7 December 1944. The valorous devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class SCOTT reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

FLOYD TEMPLES, 36247445, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When Company F was faltering in its advance through an area swept by fire from Forts Josine D'Arre and de Guise, Staff Sergeant TEMPLES began moving along the line of men, shouting encouragement and advice to them, in order to keep the attack moving forward. His valiant action, which inspired his men to even greater efforts, resulted in continued and more rapid movement forward and appalling casualties from the enemy mortar fire were consequently averted. Staff Sergeant TEMPLES

was killed in action on 14 December 1944 in Germany. Staff Sergeant TEMPAS' daring conduct on this occasion reflects lasting credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File .G 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JAMES V. JOHNSON, 3548566, Technical Sergeant, (Then Sergeant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. In the attack on Emsdorf, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON and a group from his ammunition and pioneer platoon accompanied the advancing Third Battalion. His hazardous mission was to clear the roads of mines so that Tank Destroyers might approach and give close support to the Infantry. During the Saar River crossing, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON established a supply point on the river and, organizing carrying parties, delivered essential supplies to front-line troops, although under constant enemy artillery fire. His cool, superior leadership in the face of enemy action reflects great credit on Technical Sergeant JOHNSON and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

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 *JAMES W. WOLFF, 35467394, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Emsdorf, Germany. In the drives on Metz and Emsdorf, Private First Class WOLFF, a lineman, endeavored unceasingly to keep vitally essential communications open between the Command Post and the attacking elements of the ^{THIRD} Battalion. With complete disregard for his own safety, and working often under heavy enemy fire and adverse weather conditions, he worked doggedly at his hazardous task. The valorous devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class WOLFF reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ORLYN J. RODGERS, 35411228, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Staff Sergeant RODGERS' Platoon was making steady progress when it began receiving fire from the cellar windows of a house nearby. Along with two other men, Staff Sergeant RODGERS crawled forward, exposed to the enemy's fire, to within a few yards of the windows into which the three soldiers threw grenades. Of the five Germans occupying the cellar, one was killed and four were wounded. Staff Sergeant RODGERS' valorous conduct, which enabled the Platoon to continue its advance, reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HENRY GASQUEZ, 32022130, Sergeant, (Then Private, First Class), INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Sergeant GASQUEZ' Platoon was making steady progress when it began receiving fire from the cellar windows of a house nearby. Along with two other men, Sergeant GASQUEZ crawled forward, exposed to the enemy's fire, to within a few yards of the windows into which the three soldiers threw grenades. Of the five Germans occupying the cellar, one was killed and four were wounded. Sergeant GASQUEZ' valorous conduct, which enabled the platoon to continue its advance, re-

flects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ELMOND E. DIEHL, 33574615, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. While advancing with his Company, Private First Class DIEHL observed a German soldier in a partially concealed position with a bazooka trained on the Tank Destroyer supporting the Company attack. Quickly moving across twenty five yards of entirely open terrain to a more effective firing position, and exposed to heavy small arms fire, he eliminated the enemy bazooka gunner with his first shot. Private First Class DIEHL'S courageous actions, an inspiring example to all those who witnessed it, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

HUBERT RICHARLSON, 35482748, Technician Fifth Grade, Q.C., ****Quartermaster Company, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Truck driver assisting in the relief of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, Technician Fifth Grade RICHARLSON was driving his soldier-filled vehicle over open terrain under enemy observation and fire in the Saarlautern bridgehead area. When an enemy shell burst damaged the truck, he managed to move it, by exercising extreme caution, to a less exposed position. Stopping another truck, he transferred his passengers, all uninjured, to it. He however steadfastly remained with his own vehicle to prevent pilfering, even though he was jeopardizing his personal safety by so doing. Technician Fifth Grade RICHARLSON'S brave action under hostile fire, whereby a truck valued at several thousand dollars was saved, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

DAVID W. ELMERT, 01165706, Captain, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New York.

WALTER L. HAWCOCK, 36061377, Private, LD, Company B, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES E. MC GRAN, 35770308, Private, LD, Company B, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOHN C. KANE, 01541469, Captain, LAC, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 25 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

CLARENCE F. QUINN, 0473290, Major, LC, Headquarters ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Texas.

FRED S. ANDERS, 36147983, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM E. VAN DE BRAKE, 17106538, 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 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

NORMAN O. HINSON, 37279262, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, **** Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz and Uckange, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

V. AWARD OF FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, in addition to an Air Medal and three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal previously awarded, a fourth Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

JOHN J. OLIVER, 01999302, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 6 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

PERRY WEST JR, 01177694, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 5 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

JAMES R. KING, 0555551, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 7 December 1944 to 26 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

GEORGE B. LUNDBERG, 025679, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Neidervisse, France. In the Battalion's attack near Neidervisse, First Lieutenant LUNDBERG, then Heavy Weapons Company Commander, saw that Company A, its advance halted on an open hill, was drawing violent enemy fire. Realizing the necessity of moving the Company immediately if heavy casualties were to be avoided, he ran five hundred yards from the Battalion Observation Post across terrain swept by mortar and artillery fire. Finding the Company Commander a casualty, First Lieutenant LUNDBERG led the group into a covered position. The Company, inspired by his complete disregard of personal danger, immediately reorganized to continue the attack. First Lieutenant LUNDBERG then returned to the Battalion Observation Post. Later under almost identical circumstances, he ran again across an open field covered by enemy mortar fire to rally the embattled Company and move it on to the final objective. First Lieutenant LUNDBERG'S gallant leadership, outstanding initiative and great personal courage reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered United States Military Academy from New York.

ELI SHAPIRO, 32957609, Private First Class, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern Roden, Germany. The advance of Private First Class SHAPIRO'S Company on strong enemy positions across an open field near Saarlautern-Roden was obstructed by intense fire from two machine gun emplacements. With his rocket launcher Private First Class SHAPIRO worked his way forward under the scathing enemy fire. When he reached a point one hundred and fifty yards from his target he took cool aim and fired. The round destroyed one of the machine gun positions. Determined to reduce the second German machine gun emplacement Private First Class SHAPIRO maneuvered across thirty yards of fire-swept terrain to a position from which he could fire on it. Again his exceptional skill and courage resulted in the annihilation of a German machine gun nest with one round of rocket fire. In this intrepid action Private First Class SHAPIRO was wounded by a sniper's rifle but he had already paved the way for his Company to resume its attack. The aggressive combat skill and personal courage displayed by Private First Class SHAPIRO reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

FRANCIS J. SLATTERY, 36247334, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in

the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. In an attack on strongly defended German pillboxes at Saarlautern heavy fire was received from the enemy positions and Staff Sergeant SLATTERY was wounded. Despite his wound Staff Sergeant SLATTERY courageously led his rifle squad across three hundred yards of fire-swept ground to the objective. Only when reorganization and consolidation had been made did he submit to evacuation. Staff Sergeant SLATTERY'S staunch leadership and valor under heavy enemy fire reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

LEONARD J. PALKOWSKI, 36249039, Corporal, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Corporal PALKOWSKI, along with four other soldiers, volunteered to carry ammunition over a route covered by enemy observation and fire to a machine gun position in Gravelotte. Unable to secure a vehicle, the courageous men carried two boxes of ammunition each for a distance of one mile, all the time being exposed to hostile sniper, mortar and sporadic artillery fire. Upon returning, the group secured a jeep, loaded it with more ammunition and again began the hazardous journey. When it was found impossible to bring the vehicle closer to the position than five hundred feet, it was unloaded and three men remained to carry the ammunition to its destination. Corporal PALKOWSKI and a companion returned to bring up the remaining boxes. Corporal PALKOWSKI was killed in action on 4 December 1944. His valiant service reflects great credit on Corporal PALKOWSKI and 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

RAYMOND L. RAINS, 15105934, Technical Sergeant, (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Technical Sergeant RAINS, serving as an acting platoon leader, led a night patrol successfully over a heavily-bombarded bridge and through a large, open area, exposed to enemy fire from high ground overlooking it, to re-establish contact with two isolated rifle companies. Returning, the patrol evacuated fifteen casualties over the same route. On the same night, he led his own platoon, reinforced by a machine gun section, back to the cut-off companies to strengthen their positions and to bring food and ammunition. Technical Sergeant RAIN'S courageous leadership at this difficult time reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT G. KONGELF, 37287671, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Technical Sergeant KONGELF'S Platoon was unable to advance due to heavy enemy sniper fire from a nearby building directly to the front. Leaving the platoon in position, Technical Sergeant KONGELF ran across thirty-five yards of ground, completely exposed to the enemy's searching fire, heading the house uninjured,

he entered it boldly and forced the sniper to surrender, thus enabling the Platoon to move on to its objective. Technical Sergeant ROSENFELD'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

LYNN E. TRAYER, 01180743, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. During the operations around Maizières-les-Metz, the entire Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was threatened by a German counter-attack, the artillery preparation of which rocked the battalion area for half an hour. First Lieutenant TRAYER, a forward observer, volunteered to enter a portion of Maizières-les-Metz not occupied by friendly troops in order to obtain distinct observation of the enemy. Braving the possibility of being cut off by hostile action, he took up his dangerous position. By his accurate information, artillery shelling delivered on the enemy forces aided materially in repelling the counter-attack. First Lieutenant TRAYER'S valiant performance reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

OSCAR J. BRASH, 39855692, Sergeant, GAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Sergeant BRASH, as Communications Sergeant, and one companion left their covered position and, under a murderous hail of artillery shelling, made the wire installations between the Platoon Command Posts and that of the Battery. The wires were severed frequently by the continuous firing, but Sergeant BRASH and his comrade unhesitatingly ran the gauntlet of fire to make the necessary repairs. On three occasions, the two men, on their own initiative, elected to lay a complete, new line. Sergeant BRASH'S courageous devotion to duty, inspiring to the men associated with him, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Arizona.

ELLER M. SENDELWECK, 37426371, Technician Fourth Grade, GAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Radio repairman, Technician Fourth Grade SENDELWECK and one companion left their covered position and, under a murderous hail of artillery shelling, made the wire installations between the Platoon Command Posts and that of the Battery. The wires were severed frequently by the continuous firing, but Technician Fourth Grade SENDELWECK and his comrade unhesitatingly ran the gauntlet of fire to make the necessary repairs. On three occasions, the two men, on their own initiative, elected to lay a complete, new line. Technician Fourth Grade SENDELWECK'S courageous devotion to duty, inspiring to the men associated with him, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

ARVLE R. DAVIS, 38538931, Technician Fourth Grade, GAC, Battery C ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Half-leading, half-carrying his wounded Battery Commander through streets resounding with an extremely heavy artillery barrage, Technician Fourth Grade DAVIS was able to evacuate him successfully to the aid station. His quick and intelligent actions under vicious enemy shelling brought the officer to medical attention in the shortest possible time and prevented his Battery Command-

er from losing an arm by amputation. Later the same day, he volunteered to drive over main supply roads under direct enemy observation and fire to secure essential rations and water. Despite the fact that Technician Fourth Grade DAVIS was fully aware of the dangers attending such a mission, he volunteered on two other occasions for this perilous task. Technician Fourth Grade DAVIS' splendid courage and fidelity reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

RAY E. SCHWAB, 33432952, Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. A German artillery barrage struck two mortar positions of Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, inflicting eleven casualties and destroying all communications. Although wounded Sergeant SCHWAB moved out to repair the wire before the barrage was lifted. His heroic action enabled him to direct medical aid to the position and resulted in the saving of his comrades' lives. The courageous behavior of Sergeant SCHWAB on this occasion reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MARCIE R. LA FAVOR, 34445066, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When the enemy assaulted the right flank of his Company's hard-won position in the town of Woippy, inflicting casualties and quickly reducing a machine gun position, Sergeant LA FAVOR drove off the attack with his own accurate and rapid fire. In this action Sergeant LA FAVOR, although lacerated on the face and head, killed two Germans and his bold fortitude in the face of heavy fire discouraged further enemy aggression. Sergeant LA FAVOR'S courage and determination reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

WINFRED WILHOIT, 35502695, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****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. During the attack on the Slag Pile near Maizieres-les-Metz, Private First Class WILHOIT was assigned the task of re-supplying the assaulting elements with wire for telephone communication. In the face of intense hostile fire Private First Class WILHOIT faithfully maintained the vital lines thereby greatly contributing to the success of the attack. On one trip for wire Private First Class WILHOIT further distinguished himself by going to the aid of a seriously wounded radio operator and, with the assistance of another wireman, evacuating him from under a heavy artillery barrage. Private First Class WILHOIT'S valiant service reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

THADDEUS A. SOSNOWSKI, 36600824, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Starlaubern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE S. HUMMIGUTT, 34445739, Technical Sergeant, (Then Sergeant), INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in

connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Talange, France. Entered military service from Georgia.

* JOSEPH D. HOWELL, 0467918, Captain, MC, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

* WILLIAM M. HEGARTY JR, 0463368, Captain, MC, Company B, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

* ABEO MELL, 37422624, Private First Class, MD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisigen, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

ROBERT E. MORGAN, W2119500, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange and Metz, France. Entered military service from California.

* IGNATIUS J. MEYER, 39600117, Technical Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange and Metz, France. Entered military service from Montana.

* HOWARD O. THOMAS, 36356084, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 27 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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SECTION IV - 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

FORREST R. ROBERTS, 34433170, Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Sergeant ROBERTS, member of a combat patrol seeking to clear the enemy from a wooded knoll, discovered upon closer observation that the knoll was in reality a cleverly-concealed, heavily armed enemy pillbox. Advancing boldly toward the position and under crossfire from three German machine guns, he silenced the riflemen outside the bunker with automatic rifle fire and grenades. Engineer soldiers rushed forward to detonate heavy explosive charges which blew away the pillbox door. Before the smoke cleared, Sergeant ROBERTS dashed inside, firing his automatic rifle with fearsome rapidity as he ran. This heroic charge brought no enemy resistance, but only frantic efforts to surrender by the eight Germans within the fortification, which yielded in addition a seventy-five millimeter howitzer and much equipment. Sergeant ROBERTS' great personal courage reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

ERWIN W. ADRIAN, 36184949, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Battery A, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Elements of Company B, ****Infantry Regiment occupying a basement were forced to seek more secure shelter when an enemy tank nearby began throwing heavy fire into the position, inflicting severe casualties. Technician Fourth Grade ADRIAN, attached as a member of the forward observer party, and several infantrymen returned to the basement to aid in the evacuation of the many wounded men. Under a fearful artillery and mortar barrage, and with machine gun fire sweeping the area, Technician Fourth Grade ADRIAN worked unceasingly to remove the casualties. Improvising litters for the seriously wounded and leading the walking wounded through the maze of enemy fire, he did not stop until all were evacuated. Technician Fourth Grade ADRIAN's heroic and selfless devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

EDWARD R. STRAMA JR., 35915426, Private, CE, Company G, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the Infantry's advance was being seriously impeded by machine gun fire from two enemy pillboxes, Private STRAMA volunteered to attempt to destroy one of the bunkers. Supported by covering fire

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laid down by infantrymen, he advanced alone, armed with grenades and a flame thrower. Twenty-five yards away from the pillbox, he directed flame on the gun ports, and nine German soldiers immediately came out and surrendered. The Infantry was still unable to advance, however, due to the heavy fire issuing from the other pillbox. A supporting Tank Destroyer was unable to destroy the bunker because of a small building standing in line of fire. Volunteering to demolish the obstacle, Private STRAKA crawled fifty yards over a field raked with machine gun fire and leveled the building with a charge of composition C-2. Private STRAKA'S intrepid actions, leading to the destruction of two enemy bunkers, reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XV Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

HILTON D. TUTTS, 35486613, Staff Sergeant, (Then Sergeant), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When Company F was faltering in its advance through an area swept by fire from Forts Jeanne D'Arc and de Guise, Staff Sergeant TUTTS began moving along the line of men, shouting encouragement and advice to them, in order to keep the attack moving forward. His valiant action, which inspired his men to even greater efforts resulted in continued and more rapid movement forward and appalling casualties from the enemy's mortar fire were consequently averted. He was killed in action on 13 December 1944 in Germany. Staff Sergeant TUTTS' daring conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CRVILLE C. HUTSKA, 16093236, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JOHN W. HARVILL, 34391165, Private, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the night after the first attack on Fort Illange, Private HARVILL, messenger of Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, acted as guide for trucks bringing ammunition, food and water to the Rifle Companies. Since the enemy mortar and artillery fire covering the area was severe, only a few vehicles at a time were permitted to make the hazardous trip. Consequently, Private HARVILL, disregarding personal safety, worked throughout the night, not only guiding the supply trucks from the rear, but also directing ambulances forward and leaving carrying parties up to the front lines. The courageous devotion to duty displayed by Private HARVILL on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

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✓ O. K. WARREN, 36063451, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Staff Sergeant WARREN, forward mortar observer, accompanied the attacking Rifle Companies during the bitter house-to-house struggle for Ensdorf. With complete disregard for his own safety, he advanced with the assaulting elements in order to obtain the best possible observation. As a result of his accurate information, time after time enemy automatic weapons were neutralized or eliminated and the attacking elements were given almost flawless mortar support. Staff Sergeant WARREN'S valiant service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ WINFORD DENNIS, 32481910, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. During the operations against Ensdorf, Staff Sergeant DENNIS, upon assuming leadership of his squad, led it repeatedly against strongly-held enemy positions. On one occasion, he and his platoon leader, daringly moving into an advantageous position which was directly exposed to heavy enemy fire, destroyed an enemy machine gun with an anti-tank grenade. Staff Sergeant DENNIS' staunch leadership and high personal courage reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ FRANCIS P. CARPENTER, 31375597, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations, from 12 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When medical aid for Company A was requested, Private First Class CARPENTER, a surgical technician, unhesitatingly left his sheltered position and hurried to assist in treating casualties under a violent enemy mortar barrage in Uckange, France. With unrelenting mortar fire falling around him, he personally evacuated five wounded engineer soldiers. Seeing another fallen comrade one hundred and fifty yards distant, he made his way over the open terrain to the soldier's side, but upon arrival found him dead. Three days later, near St. Hubert Farm, Private First Class CARPENTER remained on the battlefield evacuating four casualties, even after friendly troops had been forced by heavy machine gun and mortar fire temporarily to withdraw. While he was evacuating the four soldiers, there was no cessation in the enemy fire. Private First Class CARPENTER'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

✓ RICHARD H. SEIDEL, 01825933, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), BI, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Berweiler, France and Lisdorf, Germany. After having conducted aggressive and timely reconnaissance for Company C under heavy enemy small arms fire for three days, on 26 November 1944 First Lieutenant SEIDEL took command of remnants of a Tank Destroyer platoon. Reorganizing his platoon which had lost two complete crews, he put it into action the same day. His employment of the platoon in support of Infantry elements crossing the Saar River was so skilful that no further casualties were sustained during the period, even though the Tank Destroyers were under violent enemy counter-battery fire. Moving about at great personal peril, he had previously conducted a reconnaissance on foot to locate the most advantageous gun positions. After his guns had commenced firing he went from gun to gun to direct and adjust their fire on the enemy pillboxes across the river. First

Lieutenant SEIDEL'S courageous leadership and intrepid devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LEE SUE, 39093745, Sergeant, FA, Company C, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gisors, France. The infantry elements which Sergeant SUE'S M-16 Tank Destroyer was supporting were subjected to withering enemy twenty-four caliber gun fire. Working rapidly, forward firing the 50-caliber machine gun mounted on top of the destroyer's turret, Sergeant SUE neutralized four twenty-millimeter guns, forced the enemy to abandon two Volkswagens, and captured twelve German soldiers. Throughout the daring ferry, he was completely exposed to the fire of foot troops and artillery. Sergeant SUE'S bold and aggressive conduct reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

FRANK E. NICHOLS, 35576607, Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), FA, Company C, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Gunner on a Tank Destroyer supporting the Saar River crossing by Infantry troops, Sergeant NICHOLS constantly exposed himself to violent shell fire in order to conduct vital firing missions against an enemy fort. When communications failed completely, he ran several hundred yards under an extremely heavy artillery concentration to secure firing orders and then returned to his destroyer each time a new mission was to be fired during the two-hour action. Sergeant NICHOLS' valorous performance of duty, which aided materially in the reduction of the enemy fortification, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

EDMUND B. ROUND, 0466080, Captain, DC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

ORLAND L. WAYNES, 0474263, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

OLIS D. WILLIAMS, 38100155, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte and Metz, France. Entered military service from Texas.

GEORGE H. CARL, 37293252, Sergeant, LF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 27 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

AROLD C. JOHNSON, 01577379, Captain, QC, ****Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

MARVIN A. KOSKY, O1165754, Captain, FA, Headquarters ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

ROBERT F. LINDSTEDT, O1181013, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fank, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

MERLYN C. RUE, 36832893, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravulotte, France. Private First Class RUE, along with four other soldiers, volunteered to carry ammunition over a route covered by enemy observation and fire to a machine gun position in Gravulotte. Unable to secure a vehicle, the courageous men carried two boxes of ammunition each for a distance of one mile, all the time being exposed to hostile sniper, mortar and sporadic artillery fire. Upon returning, the group secured a jeep, loaded it with more ammunition and again began the hazardous journey. When it was found impossible to bring the vehicle closer to the position than five hundred feet, it was unloaded and Private First Class RUE and two companions carried the ammunition the remaining distance by hand. Private First Class RUE'S courageous service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-75, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

BERNARD F. WASZGIS, 17078414, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Felsburg, Germany. While near Karlsbof Farms, Platoon Guide, Staff Sergeant Waszgis' Platoon was unable to advance due to machine gun and mortar fire. Disregarding personal safety, Staff Sergeant Waszgis began firing his rifle furiously and encouraging his comrades to do likewise. Thus throwing the enemy off balance, he alone engaged one enemy machine gun and eliminated it completely. Still under heavy enemy fire, the Platoon then moved forward, led by Staff Sergeant Waszgis, to its objective overlooking Felsburg. Staff Sergeant Waszgis' great personal courage and intrepid devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

FRANCIS J. BARRY, 13151273, Private First Class, INF, Company B, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class Barry, member of a night combat patrol, was disclosed by enemy flares when within fifty yards of a large enemy bunker. Undaunted by concentrated machine gun fire, he advanced toward the pill box. By his effective rifle fire, he killed the German soldiers posted outside the bunker. Advancing closer, he silenced the machine by throwing grenades into a gun port. Engineer soldiers rushed forward and detonated heavy explosive charges which blew off the pillbox door. Before the smoke had cleared, Private First Class Barry dashed inside the fortification and captured the remaining eight German soldiers. Private First Class Barry's unwavering courage before the enemy's deadly fire reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

EDWARD HERBERT, 0512741, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), CE, Company C, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When wounded while leading his combat engineer Platoon across the Saar River with the first assault wave, First Lieutenant Herbert refused to be evacuated. Reaching the east bank he led his men two thousand yards upstream to the

Saarlautern bridge, scheduled for demolition by the enemy nine minutes after First Lieutenant Herbert's arrival. For two days, under ceaseless German small arms, mortar and artillery fire, he and his men probed for and removed from the vitally important bridge sixty-four hundred pounds of enemy-placed explosives. First Lieutenant Herbert's courageous leadership and heroic determination, constantly inspiring to his hard-pressed men, reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

II. AWARD, PROVISIONS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr, Hq XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

DONALD A. DORON, 36247997, Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Then the leader of a carrying party was wounded while transporting badly-needed supplies across the Saar River, Sergeant Doron assumed leadership. Quickly reorganizing the party, he led it aggressively and skillfully across the river under fearful enemy artillery fire and delivered the vital supplies to the Second Battalion. He was mortally wounded in action on 1 January 1945 in Germany. Sergeant Doron's valorous conduct reflects lasting credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

EDWARD H. FRANDEL, 37557208, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Karlsruhe, Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr, Hq, XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

EDWARD A. HERCKA, 36600742, First Sergeant, (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Woippy, France, First Sergeant Hercka assumed command of his Platoon and led it on to its objective. Upon reorganization, and undimmed by heavy casualties and depleted ammunition, First Sergeant Hercka deployed his men to protect the Company's left flank. Using captured German machine guns, the Platoon remained in the hastily prepared position throughout the night under severe artillery and mortar fire, repulsing enemy patrols which were attempting to infiltrate. First Sergeant Hercka's resourceful leadership and courageous determination reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WOODROW E. DIXON, 37359626, Corporal, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. After the ammunition carrying party led by Corporal Dixon was turned back by a terrific

enemy artillery barrage on the night of 25 November 1944, he quickly reorganized the group. Going by vehicle as far as possible, the men then unloaded the supplies, and Corporal Dixon set out on foot to find the machine gun Platoon to which he was bringing ammunition and rations. Leading his party through an enemy mine field while harassed by mortar and artillery shelling, he succeeded in locating his Platoon and delivering the much-needed supplies. The courage and determined devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Dixon on this hazardous occasion reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

JOHN J. MANNION, 020-8349, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), MAC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange and Bertrange, France. A violent armored counter-attack, following an enfilade of machine gun and rifle fire, approached First Lieutenant Mannion's eleven man medical element on the outskirts of Bertrange. After courageously facing the strong enemy fire for an hour, First Lieutenant Mannion led his men under cover of darkness out of their critical predicament. The resolute leadership and high order of personal courage displayed by First Lieutenant Mannion reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

JACK V. KIRKHAM, 6825177, First Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Volunteering to act as Forward Observer for the Third Battalion, First Sergeant Kirkham served during the savage house to house fighting in Ensdorf, delivering accurate and effective fire in support of the attacking elements. Time after time he exposed himself to small arms and mortar fire while keeping abreast of the foremost Rifle Companies to observe closely the effects of his fire. First Sergeant Kirkham's skilful performance and courageous actions during this difficult period reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ANDREW A. ANDERSON, 36184925, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Sergeant Anderson, in charge of an ammunition dump near Ensdorf, observed a nearby ammunition truck hit by artillery and set aflame. With utter disregard for his own safety, Sergeant Anderson unloaded the burning truck, salvaging its cargo and possibly preventing the destruction of the ammunition dump. The intrepid devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Anderson on this occasion reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOSEPH P. GOLLAKNER, 36249322, Sergeant, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When a volunteer driver was requested to drive a convoy commander leading a column of supply trucks to an isolated group in a bunker near Leipzig Farm, Sergeant Gollakner unhesitatingly responded. Passing under the guns of Forts Jeanne D'arc and de Guise and skilfully maneuvering his vehicle around shell craters

and barbed wire entanglements, Sergeant Gollakner guided the convoy to its destination. Sergeant Gollakner's valiant performance, contributing materially to the successful delivery of vital supplies, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANK OLCZAK, 36600326, Corporal, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Corporal Olczak, along with four other soldiers, volunteered to carry ammunition over a route covered by enemy observation and fire to a machine gun position in Gravelotte. Unable to secure a vehicle, the courageous men carried two boxes of ammunition each for a distance of one mile, all the time being exposed to hostile sniper, mortar and sporadic artillery fire. Upon returning, the group secured a jeep, loaded it with more ammunition and again began the hazardous journey. When it was found impossible to bring the vehicle closer to the position than five hundred feet, it was unloaded and Corporal Olczak and two companions carried the ammunition the remaining distance by hand. Corporal Olczak's courageous service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROY A. MASSENGALE, 34443059, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Private First Class Massengale, along with four other soldiers, volunteered to carry ammunition over a route covered by enemy observation and fire to a machine gun position in Gravelotte. Unable to secure a vehicle, the courageous men carried two boxes of ammunition each for a distance of one mile, all the time being exposed to hostile sniper, mortar and sporadic artillery fire. Upon returning, the group secured a jeep, loaded it with more ammunition and again began the hazardous journey. When it was found impossible to bring the vehicle closer to the position than five hundred feet, it was unloaded and three men remained to carry the ammunition to its destination. Private First Class Massengale and a companion returned to bring up the remaining boxes. His valiant service reflects great credit on Private First Class Massengale and the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

ERNEST L. STENMAN, 36249801, Corporal, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Although wounded by shrapnel while he and a comrade were on duty at an outpost guarding the Second Battalion Command Post, Corporal Stenman disregarded his wound and remained at his post until relieved. Upon arriving at his gun position, he learned that a fire mission for the gun had just been received. Corporal Stenman took his place as number one gunner and refused medical aid until the fire mission was completed. Corporal Stenman's courageous and determined performance at this time reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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WIRTH V. OTIS, 01321056, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company C, ****
Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations
against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Berus, Germany. When
an enemy shell landed nearby, Second Lieutenant Otis suffered a sprained back and
his Commanding Officer was severely wounded. Despite the seriousness of his own
injury, which made any activity difficult for him, Second Lieutenant Otis refused
to be evacuated. Instead, he returned to his Company, conducted a reorganization
and the next day led his men in taking an important objective. Second Lieutenant
Otis' heroic devotion to duty and strong fortitude reflect great credit on him and
on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN COVICK, 0450093, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****
Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military
operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 2 January 1945, in the
vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WALTER H. MARKLE, 0283173, Major, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion,
for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy,
from 8 November 1944 to 6 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military
service from Texas.

JOHN H. WEBB, 37373057, Corporal, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment,
for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy,
from 16 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France.
Entered military service from Missouri.

HANS MEISSNER, 32892555, Private, INF, Headquarters Military
Intelligence Service, European Theater of Operations, United States Army,
(attached this headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with mili-
tary operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in
Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

CLARIA VINGENTI, 35486176, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****
Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations
against the enemy, from 16 November 1944 to 27 December 1944, in France and
Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

HARRY P. JENSTY, 37288903, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company F,
****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military
operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 27 December 1944, in Metz,
France, and Saarlouis, Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

LOUIS F. CORFILL, 0100638, Captain, AGD, Headquarters 95th Infantry
Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against
the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 2 January 1945, in France. Entered military
service from New Mexico.

V. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders Number 16, dated 19 January 1945,
as pertains to John R. Scott, 6863476, Private First Class, Company K, ****

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Infantry Regiment, as reads: "the attacking elements of the Second Battalion," is amended to read: "the attacking elements of the Third Battalion."

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V. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders Number 16, dated 19 January 1945, as pertains to James W. Miller, 34457394, Private First Class, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, as reads: "the attacking elements of the Second Battalion," is amended to read: "the attacking elements of the Third Battalion."

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SECTION I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR
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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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

WILBUR F. ARFY, 16093073, Private First Class, INF, Company G, 95th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. The squad of which Private First Class ARFY was a member while clearing a group of buildings in Metz was greeted with vicious enemy machine gun and sniper fire as it advanced on its mission. Seeing half of his comrades fall as casualties beyond the reach of medical aid men due to the fierce hail of bullets Private First Class ARFY, although wounded himself, boldly advanced into the hellish fire to attempt to bring in some of the wounded. Before he could reach cover again, he was hit and mortally wounded by the bullets of an enemy machine gun. Private First Class ARFY'S valiant courage and selfless loyalty to his comrades reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

CHARLES R. FOWLER, 0527795, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 95th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Bringing up his two anti-tank weapons in an attempt to relieve troops in St. Barbara encircled by German tanks, First Lieutenant FOWLER was unable to deliver any fire before being attacked. One of his guns was destroyed and several crew members wounded. Undaunted and determined to knock out the tanks, he quickly assembled a bazooka team and led it against a menacing tank which he himself eliminated. Next day, after assisting in dislodging the German tanks from their threatening position, First Lieutenant FOWLER observed a group of enemy soldiers on the Battalion's left flank. Crawling up to within thirty yards of them, he threw a grenade into their midst. Several Germans were wounded, and the remainder surrendered. First Lieutenant FOWLER'S intrepid action reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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HOWARD W. DEFORD, 37373152, Private, 1D, Medical Detachment, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Accompanying the Platoon to which he was attached in an assault on strong enemy positions outside Metz, Private DEFORD crawled out into an exposed position to administer first aid to a wounded soldier. While he was engaged in treating the casualty, an artillery shell landed nearby, resulting in the loss of both speech and hearing. Disregarding his disability, he continued giving aid to his comrades and assisting litter teams to evacuate casualties until he was ordered from the field and hospitalized. Private DEFORD'S valiant devotion to duty, an inspiration to his associates, reflects distinct credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Missouri.

RICHARD W. SIGNOR, 32570192, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Woippy, France. The Infantry Company to which Technician Fourth Grade SIGNOR was attached as Forward Observer Radio Operator was receiving severe mortar and artillery fire from an enemy fort and unable to communicate with its supporting Artillery. When the forward observer requested volunteers to man a captured German gun to provide neutralizing fire, Technician Fourth Grade SIGNOR readily volunteered. Crossing two hundred yards of open terrain to the gun position under intense enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire, Technician Fourth Grade SIGNOR gave heroic assistance in this desperate but successful venture. The enemy guns neutralized, the Infantry was able to withdraw with a minimum loss. Technician Fourth Grade SIGNOR'S superb courage and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. 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 Ltr, Hd. XX Corps, File CG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

HARRY J. SEESE, 26006693, Private, CE, Company A, **** Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. The Infantry's progress was being impeded by an enemy pillbox, any advance on which brought violent artillery and mortar barrages from nearby German positions. Private SEESE and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt to destroy the pillbox. Rushing forward armed only with hand grenades and demolition charges, they reached the bunker, placed the charges and lit the fuse. Faced by murderous mortar fire to seek cover at the rear of the certification, they were stunned but otherwise uninjured when the charge exploded. Recovering quickly, Private SEESE and his companion entered the pillbox and captured a German non-commissioned officer who had been acting as an artillery observer for enemy guns covering the area. His SEESE'S courageous action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LARRY J. GIERO, 22163503, Private First Class, CE, Company A, **** Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. The Infantry's progress was being impeded by an enemy pillbox, any advance on which brought violent artillery and mortar barrages from nearby German positions.

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Private First Class ROMERO and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt to destroy the pillbox. Pushing forward armed only with hand grenades and demolition charges, they reached the bunker, placed the charges and lit the fuse. Forced by murderous mortar fire to seek cover at the rear of the fortification, they were stunned but otherwise unharmed when the charge exploded. Recovering quickly, Private First Class ROMERO and his companion entered the pillbox and captured a German non-commissioned officer who had been acting as an artillery observer for enemy guns covering the area. Private First Class ROMERO'S courageous action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Mexico.

ANTHONY SEISSER, 36353305, Sergeant, CE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Sergeant SEISSER and four other engineer soldiers, attempting to destroy a captured pillbox, advanced under strong sniper fire to a house located near the bunker. Leaving half their heavy charges, the men rushed to the pillbox and deposited the demolitions while constantly exposed to furious machine gun fire. Returning to the house where three of the group remained due to the fearsome hail of bullets, Sergeant SEISSER and one comrade made two hazardous trips across the exposed area before all the explosives were in place. Finally, stringing a wire from the charge to the house, they detonated the charge and demolished the pillbox completely. Sergeant SEISSER'S unwavering courage reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

NORMAN G. GRINDLE, 37286064, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade GRINDLE and four other engineer soldiers, attempting to destroy a captured pillbox, advanced under strong sniper fire to a house located near the bunker. Leaving half their heavy charges, the men rushed to the pillbox and deposited the demolitions while constantly exposed to furious machine gun fire. Returning to the house where three of the group remained due to the fearsome hail of bullets, Technician Fifth Grade GRINDLE and one comrade made two hazardous trips across the exposed area before all the explosives were in place. Finally, stringing a wire from the charge to the house, they detonated the charge and demolished the pillbox completely. Technician Fifth Grade GRINDLE'S unwavering courage reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

FRANK E. ZIDJUNAS, 01322503, First Lieutenant, INF, Company F, ***Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. First Lieutenant ZIDJUNAS and seven of his men were defending a position in Lauterbach when the enemy launched a sharp counter-attack against the building in which they were located. Exposing himself to the automatic weapons fire, rockets and hand grenades, to determine the disposition of the enemy, First Lieutenant ZIDJUNAS rallied his outnumbered force to repel the savage assault. Throughout the action, in which three Germans were killed and five were wounded, First Lieutenant ZIDJUNAS displayed courage and vigor inspiring to his men, who fought doggedly and skilfully while throwing back the attack. First Lieutenant ZIDJUNAS' superb leadership reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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JAMES L. HAMMON, 35362445, Private First Class, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 and 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. On the night of 29 November 1944 the enemy sent repeated and potent counter-attacks against buildings in St. Barbara occupied by Private First Class HAMMON'S Company. All night long Private First Class HAMMON faced point-blank fire from German tanks while delivering accurate bazooka fire on them. The heavy fire from enemy armor and infantry largely demolished the house in which Private First Class HAMMON was stationed, but he remained at his post firing effectively on the enemy and blinding the oncoming tanks until the last counter-attack had been driven off. Private First Class HAMMON'S intrepid conduct and resolute devotion to duty were an inspiration to his comrades and reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

WILLIAM R. JOHNSON, 38058695, First Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottenville et Rierance, France. While advancing across a valley on enemy forces at Ottenville et Rierance First Sergeant JOHNSON'S Company suddenly encountered intense fire from two pillboxes. At the same time an exceedingly heavy mortar barrage began falling along the route of advance. The sudden and devastating fire was calculated to halt the advance, but First Sergeant JOHNSON, with bold disregard for his own safety, moved among his stunned comrades and by his own brave conduct urged them on. Under First Sergeant JOHNSON'S staunch leadership the Company moved through the enemy shelling to reach and take its objective. The heroic combat skill displayed by First Sergeant JOHNSON reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

CASSIUS B. PARKER, 37211591, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Villing, France. In an attack on enemy positions at Villing, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, was forced to dismount from tanks when heavy anti-tank fire struck. At this time the enemy laid down an artillery and mortar barrage, accompanied by strong machine gun and small arms fire, compelling the tanks to button up. Under the intense hostile fire, as his comrades dispersed to attack on foot, Private First Class PARKER boldly climbed to the turret of a tank and opened fire on the enemy with the tank's fifty caliber machine gun. Private First Class PARKER'S rapid and accurate machine gun fire was a timely aid to the attack and assisted greatly in reducing the company objective. His fearless initiative and devotion to duty reflect great credit on Private First Class PARKER and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

THEODORES F. HILL, 35433541, Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Villing, France. In an attack on enemy positions at Villing, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, was forced to dismount from tanks when heavy anti-tank fire struck. At this time the enemy laid down an artillery and mortar barrage, accompanied by strong

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HARRY E. FUTTON, 35612237, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

CLIFFORD A. JONES, 0353169, Major, FA, Headquarters, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 November 1944 to January 2, 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Nevada.

GEORGE P. GABLE, 35505491, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 November 1944 to 7 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

KENNETH E. SMITH, 37293286, Staff Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

DONALD L. HOCK, 27448047, Master Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200,6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

✓ DONALD J. FITZGERALD, 36249575, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Immeldange, France. After fighting for two days with his isolated Company in Immeldange against repeated enemy counter-attacks, Staff Sergeant FITZGERALD finally sighted relieving forces several hundred yards away. With complete disregard for his own safety, he walked up and down the village street, the buildings on both side of which were German occupied, firing a light machine gun from the hip. His heroic action which drew concentrated enemy fire permitted the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment to advance to the relief of his Company with only light opposition. Staff Sergeant FITZGERALD'S dauntless courage at this critical point reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ HARRY S. SARVER, 33842501, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 and 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itsbach, Germany. While a Platoon of Company E was clearing a section of the captured village of Itsbach, two squads were cut off by German machine guns firing into the town from the adjoining wooded area. Boldly making his way from house to house, Staff Sergeant SARVER advanced until within ten yards of the enemy gun position. He then signalled one of the squads for assistance and, with the aid of the riflemen, stormed the emplacement. Launching anti-tank grenades with his rifle, Staff Sergeant SARVER eliminated the entire crew of three gunners. Next morning, he captured six Germans he found hiding in the house he had used the previous day as a firing point. Staff Sergeant SARVER'S bold initiative and resolute action reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

✓ PAUL T. LITTLE, 0411868, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Woippy, France. Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, isolated from all contact with friendly troops, was receiving a violent concentration of mortar and artillery shelling from a nearby fort. First Lieutenant LITTLE, attached as forward observer, was unable to communicate with his Artillery Battalion to request fire for the neutralization of the enemy guns. Organizing volunteer gun crews to man four captured seventy-six millimeter guns, First Lieutenant LITTLE and his group crossed two hundred yards of open, fire-raked terrain to the gun positions. The direct fire he and the volunteer crews delivered neutralized

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the enemy guns in the fort, and Company B was able to effect a successful withdrawal with slight losses. First Lieutenant LITTLE'S unrelenting courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

✓ PAUL E. PELKEY, 33017171, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company F, *** Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. First gunner of a mortar squad Technician Fifth Grade PELKEY and his associates were following closely the first assault wave of his Company under intense enemy machine gun fire. Rapidly setting up the mortar to secure immediate adjustments of effective fire by direct lay methods, the group succeeded in putting the gun into action despite the vicious enemy artillery and mortar fire to which the position was exposed. Technician Fifth Grade PELKEY remained at his gun keeping it in operation until he was killed by a direct artillery shell hit. His courageous devotion to duty reflects lasting credit on Technician Fifth Grade PELKEY and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ NICK SYCHAK, 33L3957, Sergeant, INF, Company F, *** Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. Accompanying the first assault waves into Lauterbach, Assistant Section Leader, Sergeant SYCHAK, long with the assaulting elements of Company F, was stopped two hundred yards short of the objective by withering machine gun fire. Exposing himself to indicate targets by his own rifle fire, he directed the fire of his section into the enemy emplacements. He continued his bold and effective efforts until he was mortally wounded by machine gun fire. Sergeant SYCHAK'S cool courage and inspiring devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ SAM G. SOLPIETRO, 32616973, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Member of a liaison wire section, Private First Class SOLPIETRO was repairing lines on the Saarlautern road when the whole crew was forced by vicious enemy machine gun fire to take cover in a ditch. Continuing after the firing had subsided somewhat, Private First Class SOLPIETRO and his comrades worked tirelessly to maintain wire communications between infantry and artillery elements. The lines were severed numerous times during the day, and the wire section was forced to work under severe artillery and mortar fire to repair them. Private First Class SOLPIETRO'S intrepid efforts under enemy fire to keep open vital communications reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

FREDERICK WHITWORTH, 35362492, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. Corporal WHITWORTH, Liaison Wire Corporal, and his section were laying wire in newly-captured Teterchen when he realized that additional wire was necessary to finish his mission. Sending one man back for the additional supply, he and another man were continuing their work when a German patrol fired on them and seriously wounded his companion. After securing medical aid for the casualty, Corporal WHITWORTH, his wire replenished by the return of the other member of the section, doggedly continued his efforts until he had established communications with the leading infantry elements. Corporal WHITWORTH'S gallant devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

NORMAN L. JOYNES, 37293533, Private First Class, INF, Company H, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 December 1944 to 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Maintaining Emsdorf during the night of 8 December 1944 with a carrying party, Private First Class JOYNES remained and for thirteen days laid and repaired wire over the whole Battalion area under almost continuous artillery, mortar and sniper fire. Volunteering to accompany ammunition carrying parties on five different nights because of his knowledge of routes to be followed, he at the same time continued maintaining wire communications between platoon Observation Posts and gun positions. The high devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class JOYNES reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

RALPH L. WILSON, 01310380, First Lieutenant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. First Lieutenant WILSON'S Platoon was spearheading the advance on Fort St. Julian when it was pinned down, along with the entire Company, by scathing machine gun, twenty-millimeter and mortar fire. First Lieutenant WILSON deployed one squad around the two enemy pillboxes from which the fire was coming, and succeeded in throwing several grenades into gun embrasures. The two bunkers were taken immediately, along with thirty-eight German soldiers, and the Company was enabled to continue its advance into the Fort. First Lieutenant WILSON'S daring, aggressive leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

JAMES F. JORDAN, 0534348, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Emsdorf, Germany. Throughout this momentous period First Lieutenant JORDAN displayed unusual courage and steadfast loyalty to his men. On 18 November 1944, then hit by shrapnel while leading his platoon through intense mortar and machine gun fire, he refused medical aid until the objective had been reached. Later near Emsdorf, Germany, after taking command of Company B when all other officers were wounded, First Lieutenant JORDAN twice received severe concussions from artillery blasts but refused to be evacuated. Finally hospitalized by order of a medical officer, he returned after only two days to resume leadership of the Company until new officers were assigned. First Lieutenant JORDAN'S inspiring, absolute devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

✓ RUSSELL SONDERS, 15043288, Private, INF, (Armored), Company A, ****Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When a friendly tank was immobilized by a log which was wedged into the suspension system, Private SONDERS, dismounted from his own tank and, ignoring completely the heavy enemy fire falling around him, crawled under the disabled vehicle. Skillfully and expeditiously constructing a ramp, he made possible the immediate re-activation of the tank, which quickly resumed the attack. Private SONDERS' resourcefulness and courage reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ RALPH T. CRANDALL, 2432029, Staff Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company A, ****Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. During an attack on a heavily fortified block in Saarlautern, Staff Sergeant CRANDALL, in his tank, came upon an enemy minefield in the sector. To continue in support of the Infantry, which had passed on ahead, he dismounted from the tank and cleared a pathway for it through the minefield, disregarding the dangerous mortar and small arms fire sweeping the area. After crossing the mined region, he consistently kept his tank in position to bring direct fire on buildings occupied by the enemy, despite the fact that on one occasion enemy anti-tank shells were striking dangerously near. Staff Sergeant CRANDALL'S steadfast determination and steadfast devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service, entered military service from Illinois.

✓ JOSEPH L. CIOFFI, 30573520, Private First Class, INF, ****Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. When two assault waves of his Company were being subjected to withering machine gun fire, Private First Class CIOFFI, upon orders by his section leader, set up his mortar in an open field. Firing by direct observation on the enemy gun positions until the objective was taken, he underwent a severe artillery and mortar barrage throughout the time he was accomplishing his hazardous mission. Then he displaced his mortar forward by hand over two hundred yards of open ground, being fired at continuously by enemy machine gunners. Private First Class CIOFFI'S daring achievement reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ GEORGE W. EUSCHENAU, 0453808, Captain, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ JOHN CALVARESI, 33371375, Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant), Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ LAWRENCE S. ALLOWAY, 01285169, Captain, INF, Headquarters ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ CLAY R. WEST, 6821461, Master Sergeant, MD, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 25 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

✓ DELBERT L. PETERSON, 37332538, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Colorado.

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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 AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

JOE F. WICKERY, 0414430, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company C, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Histen, Germany. Second Lieutenant WICKERY, leading his Platoon in an attack against a strongly defended farm building and the surrounding wooded area, remained in the thick of the fighting during the entire action. Although wounded in the leg, he continued to lead his men through murderous enemy twenty-millimeter, machine gun and artillery fire until the objective was taken and eighteen prisoners captured. The heroic leadership and intrepid determination displayed by Second Lieutenant WICKERY, inspiring his men to keep moving ahead on their mission against fearsome enemy resistance, reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

GERALD S. CONROY, 16072518, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 5 November 1944 Staff Sergeant CONROY was a member of a night combat patrol ordered to destroy the enemy command post at Fremecourt Farm. Boldly preceding the patrol's advance, he carried a sixty pound charge of high explosives through an enemy artillery concentration to the building. The installation and its German occupants were destroyed when he detonated the charge. When the patrol moved in, the remaining positions around the main objective were cleared out rapidly. Staff Sergeant CONROY'S fearless courage reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HERBERT L. CLABSON, 35686362, Sergeant, (then Private First Class), INF, Company G, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the assault by Company G on Fereau Farm, the lead squad of which Sergeant CLABSON was a member was being subjected to deadly machine gun and small arms fire from enemy positions in buildings directly ahead. Organizing a light machine gun squad on his own initiative, sergeant CLABSON flanked the enemy, killed the gunners of the machine gun crews and forced the remaining hostile crew members to flee. Then firing the machine gun as he walked, he advanced two hundred and fifty yards in the face of sniper fire until he reached the farm house, which he raked with bullets. Six Germans hastily surrendered to the intrepid soldier. Sergeant CLABSON'S daring initiative, permitting his Company to advance with few casualties, reflects distinct credit on himself and is an example with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

ROBERT C. SCOROUGHEN, 36655189, Private, GAC, Battery U, ***Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. During the period 4 December 1944 to 6 December 1944 Private SCOROUGHEN repeatedly distinguished himself by driving his vehicle on important missions under heavy enemy fire. He fearlessly led his Platoon's reconnaissance party over a thickly mined road under intense artillery and mortar shelling and later made many more trips over this same perilous route in order to load gun crews into position and to carry messages when other means of communications were disrupted. The courageous and enthusiastic devotion to duty displayed by Private SCOROUGHEN reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

PAUL I. ADAMS, 33767963, Staff Sergeant, (then Private), INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his platoon leader was killed and two men were wounded by enemy machine gun fire in a Metz street, Staff Sergeant ADAMS and two comrades voluntarily made their way to the casualties under intense machine gun and sniper fire and crawled safely with them to a nearby building. Returning to the street where the volume of fire was increasing rapidly, Staff Sergeant ADAMS and his associates removed the body of the platoon leader. Then securing a bazooka, he moved out into the street and quickly located the menacing machine gun, knocking it out with two rounds. Twenty-six Germans were captured in the adjoining building. Staff Sergeant ADAMS' valiant actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

LIONEL L. DEAN, 12226162, Staff Sergeant, (then Private), INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his platoon leader was killed and two men were wounded by enemy machine gun fire in a Metz street, Staff Sergeant DEAN and two comrades voluntarily made their way to the casualties under intense machine gun and sniper fire and crawled safely with them to a nearby building. Returning to the street where the volume of fire was increasing rapidly, Staff Sergeant DEAN and his associates removed the body of the platoon leader. Then securing a bazooka, he moved out into the street and quickly located the menacing machine gun, knocking it out with two rounds. Twenty-six Germans were captured in the adjoining building. Staff Sergeant DEAN'S valiant actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

DOMINE PHILLIPS, 20723377, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, ***Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. Staff Sergeant PHILLIPS led his four mortar squads across fire-swept terrain against strong enemy positions at the eastern end of Lauterbach. In the third assault wave the mortars, superbly controlled by Staff Sergeant PHILLIPS, accurately covered the leading platoon's rapid advance. Devastating counter mortar and artillery fire disabled three of Staff Sergeant PHILLIPS' mortars, but with resolute determination he displaced his last mortar forward into Lauterbach where

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it was highly instrumental in destroying a fierce infantry and armor counter-attack. The fortitude and valiant leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant PHILLIPS reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

EDWARD A. GRANDA, 32156092, Staff Sergeant, I.F., Company F, **** Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944 and 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. During an attack in which his company had to cross four hundred and fifty yards of open terrain in order to reach its objective, Staff Sergeant GRANDA pressed in the face of grazing fire from three machine guns and intense shelling from artillery and mortars in order to give aid to a casualty, who he had given all possible aid to the mortally wounded soldier, Staff Sergeant GRANDA rallied his section and pressed the attack until a house in Lauterbach was reached and entered. Here a terrible artillery barrage fell, but Staff Sergeant GRANDA, exercising firm, cool leadership, moved his men to the cellar, and when the barrage was lifted he returned them upstairs to their posts. The encouraging leadership and intrepid conduct displayed by Staff Sergeant GRANDA reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN E. GIBBONS, 11116500, Private First Class, I.F., Company F, **** Ranger Infantry Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lauterbach, Germany. In his Company's attack across four hundred and fifty yards of open, fire-swept terrain on enemy positions in Lauterbach Private First Class GIBBONS went to the aid of a wounded comrade in the midst of intense artillery and mortar shelling. Then he moved forward through vicious cross-fire from three machine guns and was the first man in his company to reach the houses in Lauterbach which were the objective. There Private First Class GIBBONS' accurate and rapid rifle fire covered the advance of the main body of the Company to the houses. Private First Class GIBBONS' heroic disregard for his own safety and his intrepid conduct under heavy fire reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

OMAR H. HEINS, 0338901, Major, I.F. (Armored), Headquarters, **** Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Sarrelautern, Germany. Entered military service from New Mexico.

WILLIAM S. RICE, 0450348, Major, I.F. (Armored), Headquarters, **** Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Sarrelautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

ALEX L. KOHN, 09015053, Captain, I.F. (Armored), Headquarters, **** Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Sarrelautern, Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

JOHN L. MESTAYER, 01296729, First Lieutenant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. Company L's advance east of Maizieres-les-Metz was stopped by fire from a hostile machine gun two hundred yards to its left flank. Seeing the peril in allowing this situation to continue, First Lieutenant MESTAYER, carrying a light machine gun, crawled forward along a hedgerow toward the enemy position. Although seriously wounded in the eye during his bold advance, he continued moving until within one hundred yards of the machine gun. From this point, he fired on the emplacement, knocking out the gun, killing three Germans and taking eighteen prisoners. First Lieutenant MESTAYER'S exceptional courage and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

HARVEY Q. HICKMAN JR, 39862567, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merten, France. Exposing himself to direct fire from two enemy machine guns and braving searching sniper fire, Private First Class HICKMAN rendered first aid to casualties on the battlefield and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded from the open, fire-covered area. When it developed that aid station jeeps were unable to evacuate casualties to the rear since the Company was isolated, he maintained an aid station for a day and a half. With only two men to help him, Private First Class HICKMAN treated and fed fifteen men during this harrowing time. The resourceful, courageous devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class HICKMAN reflects distinct credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Arizona.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

ROY E. FREEMAN, 35361779, Technical Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 8 January 1945, in France and Germany. Technical Sergeant FREEMAN, on 21 October 1944, was a member of a party which volunteered to clear a large, fallen tree from a vital supply road one hundred yards from the German lines. Making use of explosives, the group was able to remove the obstacle even though harassed by mortar and artillery fire. Later, on two occasions,

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Technical Sergeant FREEMAN supervised and led details from his platoon on hazardous carrying parties to furnish ammunition and food to advance elements cut off from supply vehicles. Traveling several miles during each journey over difficult terrain and braving heavy mortar and artillery fire, he was successful in completing his essential missions. Technical Sergeant FREEMAN'S exemplary devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ LLOYD H. OLSHEIM, 37287300, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the initial crossing of the Meuse River on the night of 8 November 1944, Technician Fourth Grade OLSHEIM, a company cook, voluntarily aided in carrying ammunition supplies across the river to the front-line troops. Returning after his heroic service in the face of three enemy fire, he further contributed to the success of the operation by helping evacuate several seriously wounded men. Technician Fourth Grade OLSHEIM'S intrepid actions and admirable devotion to duty on this occasion reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

HERMAN F. RIETS, 37435616, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Stenouville, Luxembourg. Platoon Messenger, Private First Class RIETS repeatedly exposed himself to concentrated enemy artillery and mortar fire to accomplish his missions during this extended and difficult period in his Company's combat experience. His untiring efforts as runner between the Company command post and Platoon aided his Platoon directly in gaining objectives. In crucial actions, when all other means of communication failed, Private First Class RIETS rendered invaluable service in maintaining contact with the Company. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private First Class RIETS and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

DONALD J. HESSELMAN, 37690769, Private, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. After his squad leader was severely wounded by hostile machine gun fire, Private HESSELMAN voluntarily left his covered firing position and in spite of sweeping enemy fire, dragged his comrade to safety, where he administered first aid. Upon his return, seeing that the squad was completely disorganized after the squad leader was wounded, he took command, reorganized quickly, and led it into the attack. Private HESSELMAN'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

JACK M. BAIN, 0540916, Second Lieutenant, I.F., Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertan, France. Second Lieutenant BAIN'S Platoon, the leading element of Company C in the attack on Bertan, suffered heavy casualties from the deadly hail of enemy machine gun and rifle bullets grating its forward progress. Second Lieutenant BAIN was able, however, by his vigorous, determined leadership, to keep his men well organized during the four-hundred yard advance to the objective where bitterly resisting enemy forces were expelled. Although wounded in the action, Second Lieutenant BAIN continued his heroic efforts, leading his men successfully throughout the assault. The high order of

personal courage and devotion to duty displayed by Second Lieutenant BAIN reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

JAMES E. NORVILL, 35486136, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. For thirteen days, Private First Class NORVILL, working tirelessly under severe hostile artillery and mortar fire, was able to maintain uninterrupted communications between attacking infantry elements and supporting artillery. Private First Class NORVILL'S courageous, resourceful efforts, contributing materially to the close artillery support of the infantry, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ALVIN L. GRANT, 36247274, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. For thirteen days, Sergeant GRANT, Liaison Section Chief, working tirelessly under severe hostile artillery and mortar fire, was able to maintain uninterrupted communications between attacking infantry elements and supporting artillery. Sergeant GRANT'S courageous, resourceful efforts, contributing materially to the close artillery support of the infantry, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANCIS J. ROBERTS, 024820, Captain, FA, Headquarters ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Martefontaine, France. Acting Battalion S-3, Captain ROBERTS, while on reconnaissance near Martefontaine, discovered that the infantry advance eastward was stopped by violent enemy automatic weapons and machine gun fire. Hurriedly choosing positions from which urgently-needed neutralizing fire could be delivered, he then returned to meet the battery commanders who were moving ahead of their batteries. While designating the various battery positions, Captain ROBERTS and his party were thrice pinned down by intense enemy fire. Hurrying back to Martefontaine through a heavy concentration of artillery and mortar shelling, he set up the Fire Direction Center and coordinated its efforts with observation established by liaison plane. Succeeding in delivering massed artillery fire on the enemy targets, Captain ROBERTS neutralized the weapons and enabled the infantry to advance. Captain ROBERTS' fearless performance of duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered United States Military Academy from Massachusetts.

LEWIS O. JOHNSON, 37126641, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Technician Fourth Grade JOHNSON, member of the Battalion Motor Section, was instrumental in removing a damaged vehicle from the Saarlautern bridge, eliminating a traffic blockage and saving the vehicle from further damage from the intense shellfire falling in the vicinity. When he decided that winching the vehicle off the bridge would be the most practical method of retrieving it, Technician Fourth Grade JOHNSON personally carried the winch cable out to the disabled vehicle and attached it. Then while the operation was in progress, he stayed in the vehicle, despite the vicious shellfire, and guided it off the bridge. Technician Fourth Grade JOHNSON'S resourceful, heroic devotion to duty

reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

JAMES L. MOULDER, 041A626, Captain, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 November 1944, in the vicinity of Meizieres-les-Letz, France. Prior to the battle started, Captain MOULDER, Battery A Commanding Officer, established his Observation Post in close proximity to the attacking Infantry Battalion's German Post. Making close personal liaison possible, he thus prepared for direct and immediate artillery support at all times. Although artillery and small arms fire was extremely heavy and his position was counter-attacked several times, Captain MOULDER succeeded in keeping communications open to his Battalion's Command Post. The artillery support furnished the infantry elements by Captain MOULDER's command was invaluable. The high order of courage, initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Captain MOULDER reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

PAUL A. NAD, 2433020, Corporal, FA, Battery G, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 30 December 1944, in France and Germany. During a strenuous period in his Battery's combat history, Corporal NAD, serving as instrument operator for the forward observer party, distinguished himself by his daring, effective efforts in gaining observation on the enemy. On numerous occasions in the face of hostile mortar and artillery fire, he sought out high ground from which could be made informed direction of artillery action against the enemy. Corporal NAD's courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOHN J. MULLOY, 32617057, Corporal, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 30 December 1944, in Germany. As senior non-commissioned officer of a forward observer team, Corporal MULLOY on many occasions adjusted artillery fire in a clearly superior manner. His continuous reconnaissance for better observation, regardless of his personal safety, was instrumental in the location of battery Observation Posts which, though frequently under heavy enemy fire, were in commanding positions and allowed full artillery support. Corporal MULLOY'S initiative, resourcefulness and untiring devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

OLIVER G. NORTH, 0651715, Major, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

RALPH E. COLLINS, 01300605, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT W. HUNT, 38320117, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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✓ ***ARTHUR HELLMAN**, 3635243, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarbrücken, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ **DONALD A. MCELROY**, 0648071, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarbrücken, Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ **MARIO J. LAW**, 3706140, Corporal, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from New York.

✓ **ROBERT W. VAN HOOFF**, 0112212, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ **HERBERT H. LEELEGGY**, 0339643, Captain, FA, Battery B, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ **ROBERT H. MOORE**, 02135384, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USI, **** Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ **EDWARD F. BODANSKI**, 3729011, Sergeant, Sig C, **** Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ **ARTHUR A. HOEVERT**, 0164058, First Lieutenant, Sig C, **** Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York.

By command of Major General TRAMBLE:

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

LEONARD E. JUNIS, 36975155, Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. The building which Sergeant JUNIS was occupying was being fired on heavily by enemy riflemen and mortar gunners located in a nearby house. Maneuvering himself into position, with utter disregard for his own safety, he fired a bazooka into the enemy stronghold until all ammunition was expended. He continued firing with a borrowed automatic rifle until relieved by counter-mortar fire on the enemy-held building from his Company. Boldly exposing himself to hostile automatic weapons and small arms fire, he remained to observe and adjust the mortar shelling until enemy resistance was eliminated. The fearless devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant JUNIS at this time reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM H. GILES, 34420708, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Illange, France. After his squad leader was wounded in an attack on a strongly held, heavily fortified farm building, Private First Class GILES assumed leadership and began a frontal assault against the position, deadly fire from which was holding up the Second Battalion's advance. The squad moved into fierce machine gun, sniper and direct eighty-eight millimeter fire, but, under the dauntless leadership of Private First Class GILES, the group continued forward until it had cleared the building completely. Fourteen German soldiers were captured and several friendly infantrymen, held in the house as prisoners, were liberated. Private First Class GILES' daring and courageous devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

HOWARD E. RHOADS, 35215897, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. German machine and twenty-millimeter guns, emplaced in a Fraulautern pillbox, were trained on Company G's positions and were holding up its advance. In order to silence the guns, Private First Class RHOADS patiently and with great effort pre-

pared a high observation point in the roof of a barn and began harassing the enemy bunker with bazooka fire. The enemy, taken completely by surprise, was forced to button up the pillbox and Company G was enabled to continue its forward progress. Private First Class HODGE was killed in action on 12 December 1944 in Germany. The superb courage and initiative displayed by Private First Class HODGE, reflect lasting credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

SYLVESTER G. SPEN, 37286127, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company D, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Cravelotte and Metz, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-4.1, as amended, and Ltr. HQ, XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

WILLIAM H. FARLEY, 0716476, Second Lieutenant, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Derlingen, Germany. Second Lieutenant FARLEY, a forward observer, advanced with the leading Infantry elements and, under direct enemy observation and fire, adjusted fire on hostile foot-soldiers and machine gun positions. His brave action in directing Cannon Company's fire with complete disregard for the enemy's artillery shells falling around him aided his organization materially in gaining its objective. Second Lieutenant Farley's courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES RIDGE, 6523331, First Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. In the advance on St. Barbara First Sergeant Ridge helped man a forward observation post where, under constant enemy fire, he adjusted cannon fire on strongly resisting German elements. Driven from one post by severe 88 millimeter shelling, First Sergeant Ridge selected another position from which his observation proved devastating to the enemy. His intrepid performance of duty under heavy fire was substantially instrumental in facilitating the advance of friendly troops, reflecting great credit on First Sergeant Ridge and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

WILLIAM P. SHARKEY, 36356475, Private First Class, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. In crossing one hundred yards of open ground between houses in Fraulautern, Private First Class Sharkey's platoon leader was wounded by enemy fire and lay helplessly on the ground. Without hesitation Private First Class Sharkey braved raking machine gun and sniper fire to administer first aid and then help the platoon leader to cover. Accurately deliberate fire from an enemy sniper was chiefly responsible for delaying his Platoon's advance. Private First Class Sharkey directed the fire of his squad on the hostile sniper and eliminated him, thereby enabling his Platoon to advance to the objective. Private First Class

Shurkey's resolute devotion to duty and personal courage on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CALVIN C. BUEHLER, 36977945, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During the attack on Fraulautern Private First Class Buehler repeatedly distinguished himself by braving intense enemy fire in order to install and maintain communications between his Platoon and the Company Command Post. In a terrible mortar barrage, on the night of 31 December 1944, wire communications were severed. Without hesitation Private First Class Buehler voluntarily went out alone to repair the break in the midst of the shelling. Private First Class Buehler's courageous devotion to duty and high technical skill reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JAMES W. REED, 35411285, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 November 1944 to 7 January 1945, in France and Germany. Throughout the offensive operations occurring during this momentous period, Corporal Reed, Wire Section Chief, repaired and serviced the wires vital to the continuous artillery support of the advancing infantry elements. Working day after day in front line areas where enemy artillery shelling was often extremely heavy, he was tireless and undaunted in his constant fight to maintain communication lines between the forward observer and the fire direction center. Corporal Reed's fearless devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RAYMOND J. MILLER, 35333170, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 November 1944 to 30 December 1944, in France and Germany. Throughout the offensive operations taking place during this momentous period, Technician Fifth Grade Miller, a lineman with the forward observer party, installed, repaired and serviced the wires vital to the continuous artillery support of the advancing infantry elements. Working day after day in front line areas where enemy artillery shelling was often extremely heavy, he was tireless and undaunted in his constant fight to maintain communication lines between the forward observer and the fire direction center. Technician Fifth Grade Miller's fearless devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LLOYD O. BOHAM, 37421990, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 October 1944 to 30 October 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Telephone lineman, Private First Class Boham and the other members of Battery B's repair crew were primarily responsible for the maintenance of a telephone line from a forward switching central to an artillery observation post. The line, of necessity laid on a long, open ridge under the eyes and fire of the enemy in Fort Verdun, was frequently severed by shell fire, but Private First Class Boham's efficient work in repairing the breaks

prevented serious communication difficulties. His leadership and technical skill while operating under enemy fire were outstanding factors in maintaining adequate wire communications at all times. Private First Class BOHAM'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

ARTHUR C. THOMPSON, 02000071, Second Lieutenant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

WILSON C. WARE, 33632408, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

ALBIN J. DUMPHY, 36247286, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

WALTER E. ERHARD, 32339412, Technician Third Grade, INF, Headquarters Military Intelligence Service, European Theater Operations, United States Army, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

GREGORY K. ASIMAKIS, 01175926, First Lieutenant, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

HARRIS E. JOEPKE, 01184485, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz and Woippy, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

FORD F. KEPPAN, 0335031, Captain, MC, Company D, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Boulay, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

GEORGE E. LAWRENCE, 01543978, Captain, MAC, Headquarters ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from California.

ROBERT L. NICHOLS, 36024825, Technical Sergeant, MD, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, ****Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection

tion with military operations, from 25 October 1944 to 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

EUGENE M. WILSON, 18124642, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange and Metz, France. Entered military service from Texas.

PAUL R. MORTER, 35424397, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange and Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

By command of Major General TWADDLE:

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
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SECTION IV - AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-4, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

STANLEY J. WISNIEWSKI, 36509347, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. When Company L was fired on by two machine guns emplaced in an anti-tank ditch several hundred yards ahead, Sergeant WISNIEWSKI crawled forward along a hedgerow under intense small arms and mortar fire to an advantageous position much closer to the guns, setting up a machine gun, he quickly silenced one enemy weapon but was unable to place effective fire on the other. Undaunted, he crept through a ditch to within thirty-five yards of the enemy position and with two grenades destroyed the remaining machine gun, killing three of the crew. Eighteen Germans, in addition, surrendered to Sergeant WISNIEWSKI as a result of his daring sortie. The courage and intrepid devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant WISNIEWSKI on this occasion reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ARTHUR F. SPIRES JR, 36952602, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. In an attack on a strategic hill near Duren, Private First Class SPIRES' Platoon sustained casualties from fierce machine gun fire on its right flank. Without orders Private First Class SPIRES advanced alone under heavy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire to within twenty-five yards of the enemy emplacement. From this dangerous position he grenaded the crew, silencing the machine gun. Several of the enemy attempted to escape but Private First Class SPIRES opened fire with his rifle, killing or capturing the entire element. In all, Private First Class SPIRES' bold action accounted for twelve enemy dead and seventeen prisoners, and paved the way for his Platoon's successful advance on the objective hill. The courageous initiative and intrepid devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class SPIRES reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

BILL E. WYATT, 20729834, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with mili-

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tary operations against the enemy, from 8 December 1944 to 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Under intense enemy fire Private First Class WYATT voluntarily carried supplies to the Second Battalion of the ****Infantry Regiment at Ensdorf approximately one thousand yards across open terrain. Private First Class WYATT'S nightly trips were made under heavy artillery shelling and were largely instrumental in the success of the Second Battalion's operations across the Saar River. On 20 January 1945 Private First Class WYATT was killed in action. His heroic conduct under fire and unswerving devotion to duty reflect lasting honor upon Private First Class WYATT and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

RALPH A. BARR, 38413751, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 and 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. During the attack on St. Barbara, Staff Sergeant BARR'S platoon leader and sergeant were wounded. He immediately assumed command, reorganized and established strong points. The task was barely complete when the enemy counter-attacked with infantry and armor. One tank advancing frontally was driven off by heavy fire and Staff Sergeant BARR'S accurate grenade throwing and rifle fire routed the attacking enemy infantrymen. Later the enemy, attacking furiously, succeeded in infiltrating around the Platoon's position. While fighting gallantly and urging his men on to greater effort, Staff Sergeant BARR was mortally wounded. The Platoon, inspired by his great courage, repelled the enemy with heavy losses. Staff Sergeant BARR'S superb courage and devotion to duty reflect lasting credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES G. STRINGOS, 31227015, Private, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Immeldange, France. Isolated with a small group of his comrades after an enemy counter-attack, Private STRINGOS led his group in a daring attempt to break the ring of hostile troops surrounding them. After killing and wounding several of the numerically-superior enemy soldiers, Private STRINGOS brave group was forced to withdraw. Subsequently relieved, the Company reorganized and joined in the attack on Metz. When a companion was wounded by sniper fire in Metz, Private STRINGOS, attempting to protect aid men going to the assistance of the casualty, was mortally wounded. His gallant courage and devotion to duty reflect lasting credit on Private STRINGOS and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and J.tr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

GEORGE E. SYLVESTER, 0364687, Captain, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on Metz, Captain SYLVESTER inspired his Company to unusual attainments by his gifted, daring leadership. Under heavy enemy small arms and artillery fire, Captain SYLVESTER, whose high standard of leadership was maintained throughout this momentous period of combat operations has brought great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

LEOPOLDO VALDES, 38578169, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Private VALDES, a company aid man, unhesitatingly and voluntarily went out into violent artillery, mortar and sniper fire to treat two men hit by twenty-millimeter fire. Although he had been painfully wounded by shrapnel and was bleeding profusely at the time, he attended to the treatment and evacuation of the two casualties before stopping to receive medical treatment himself. Private VALDES' selfless devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

PAUL R. DICKERSON, 35388665, Private, 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 8 January 1945, in France and Germany. Private DICKERSON on 21 October 1944, was a member of a party which volunteered to clear a large, fallen tree from a vital supply road one hundred yards from the German lines. Making use of explosives, the group was able to remove the obstacle even though harassed for three hours by enemy mortar and artillery fire. Later, on three occasions Private DICKERSON took part in hazardous carrying parties to furnish ammunition and food to advance elements cut off from contact by supply vehicles. Traveling several miles during each journey over difficult terrain and braving heavy mortar and artillery fire, Private DICKERSON and the other members of the group were invariably successful in completing their essential missions. Private DICKERSON'S exemplary devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HENRY L. NORMAN, 38149453, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Fraulautern, Germany. From 2 December 1944 to 31 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade NORMAN repeatedly distinguished himself in participating under fire in the maintenance of communication lines between forward and rear elements of First Battalion Headquarters. On the night of 22 December 1944, realizing the need for an alternate wire route across the Saar River, Technician Fifth Grade NORMAN and a companion voluntarily laid wire despite the intensity of enemy shelling at this time. Technician Fifth Grade NORMAN'S courageous and enthusiastic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

WALTER P. JACOB, 35464378, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Fraulautern, Germany. From 2 December 1944 to 31 December 1944 Private First Class JACOB repeatedly distinguished himself in participating under fire in the maintenance of communication lines between forward and rear elements of First Battalion Headquarters. On the night of 22 December 1944, realizing the need for an alternate wire route across the Saar River, Private First Class JACOB and a companion voluntarily laid wire despite the intensity of enemy shelling at this time. Private First Class JACOB'S courageous and enthusiastic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LEOPOLD BECKER, 16134927, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private), MD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. While Technician Fifth Grade BECKER and two companions were evacuating the wounded from fierce fighting in the advance on Teterchen, the enemy destroyed a bridge which isolated them from the aid station. Without regard for his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade BECKER, undaunted by heavy enemy fire, made many trips in order to carry casualties over a mined, alternate route of evacuation more than two miles long. The devout and courageous performance of duty rendered by Technician Fifth Grade BECKER reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

HERBERT E. BAROV, 36729254, Private, MD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. While Private BAROV and two companions were evacuating the wounded from fierce fighting in the advance on Teterchen, the enemy destroyed a bridge which isolated them from the aid station. Without regard for his own safety, Private BAROV, undaunted by heavy enemy fire, made many trips in order to carry casualties over a mined, alternate route of evacuation more than two miles long. The devout and courageous performance of duty rendered by Private BAROV reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

PETER J. DEVER, 36728097, Private, MD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. While Private DEVER and two companions were evacuating the wounded from fierce fighting in the advance on Teterchen, the enemy destroyed a bridge which isolated them from the aid station. Without regard for his own safety, Private DEVER, undaunted by heavy enemy fire, made many trips in order to carry casualties over a mined, alternate route of evacuation more than two miles long. The devout and courageous performance of duty rendered by Private DEVER reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOSEPH T. ZEBLEY, 01324084, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

RAYMOND R. WARD, 01301905, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

LLOYD M. WOLFE, 37213491, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

LYLE P. SCHALLER, 36249369, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations

against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

* CARL E. WITHEY, 36245478, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

* ELMER C. HAMMONDS, 0239792, Captain, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

* JOSEPH E. ZEITZ, 36352899, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

* LOREN E. BACON, 01541692, Captain, MAC, Headquarters **** Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

* RODNEY T. ROBERTSON, 01165777, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New Jersey.

* YOSIAH E. HEAVNER, 35290468, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

* ARCHIE W. MAHONEY, 37421727, First Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

* ADAM E. GRZELAK, 35388838, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

* JOE F. TETER, 02049851, First Lieutenant, MAC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

IV. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 206.6, 15 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following:

MARVIN L. MC ALEXANDER, 01304760, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

ARTHUR E. KECUEY, 0411858, Captain, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Texas.

HENRY P. SCHLUTER, 01327365, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New York.

* LYLE P. SCHALLER, 36249369, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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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 VOGG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

WALTER J. VON SEEBACH, 32083874, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. His Platoon pinned down by intense small arms, mortar and artillery fire during the attack on Fort De Feves, Technical Sergeant VON SEEBACH began to advance with no regard for his own safety, firing his rifle furiously and exhorting his men to follow him. His daring action, which threw the enemy off balance, enabled him to eliminate one hostile machine gun single-handedly. The Platoon, inspired by Technical Sergeant VON SEEBACH'S gallant leadership, moved forward successfully despite the heavy enemy fire to its objective. Technical Sergeant VON SEEBACH was killed in action on 6 December 1944. The great personal courage and superb devotion to duty of Technical Sergeant VON SEEBACH reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify 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 VOGG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

GEORGE CILIA, 16066090, Technical Sergeant (Then Private), INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Tetterschen, Germany. After voluntarily crawling over open terrain through violent hostile mortar and machine gun fire to eliminate an enemy machine gun emplacement with one bazooka round, Technical Sergeant CILIA returned quickly to his Platoon. Finding his platoon sergeant killed, he assumed command, reorganized the Platoon and continued the assault until the objective was won. Then setting up the necessary platoon defense and re-establishing contact both with other advance elements and the Company Command Post, Technical Sergeant CILIA led a group back over the route of advance to administer first aid and evacuate casualties. Technical Sergeant CILIA'S gallant leadership, initiative and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

DELBERT D. WILFONG, 37210128, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. When Company L's attack on Ittersdorf was being menaced by enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class WILFONG crept forward with a light machine gun to within one hundred yards of one emplacement and killed

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or captured the entire crew. Drawing heavy fire from a second machine gun, he crawled through a ditch and when within twenty-five yards of the position threw two grenades, silencing the gun effectively. Later in the advance, Private First Class WILFONG again ventured out into vicious enemy crossfire to attempt to destroy an enemy machine gun threatening the attacking element. Armed with a bazooka, he moved behind a group of buildings and from one hundred and fifty-yard range fired two rounds knocking out the machine gun and destroying the enemy. Private First Class WILFONG'S valorous actions, accounting for four enemy dead and ten prisoners during the day, reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. MISSING IN ACTION: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

HAROLD C. WILSON, 32985029, Private First Class, INF, Company E, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 and 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckenge, France. Private First Class WILSON, and another operator, voluntarily serving as motor boat operators during the hazardous crossing operations on the flooded Moselle River, manned an assault boat and began transporting infantry troops across the raging stream. After several successful crossings, the two brave volunteer operators and seven infantrymen left the west bank for another trip. Soon from the middle of the river came calls for help. Although another boat was hastily dispatched to the approximate location of the appeals, no trace of the men or boat was found. Private First Class WILSON'S heroic efforts reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ROBERT H. KING, 17107378, Sergeant, MD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations, on 14 and 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckenge, France. Sergeant KING, and another operator, voluntarily serving as motor boat operators during the hazardous crossing operations on the flooded Moselle River, manned an assault boat and began transporting infantry troops across the raging stream. After several successful crossings, the two brave volunteer operators and seven infantrymen left the west bank for another trip. Soon from the middle of the river came calls for help. Although another boat was hastily dispatched to the approximate location of the appeals, no trace of the men or boat was found. Sergeant KING'S heroic efforts reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

GARDNER W. SHONIO, 31468455, Private, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Member of a Platoon assigned the mission of clearing the enemy from a hillside near Boulay, Private SHONIO was advancing with the Platoon when a German machine gun opened fire, pinning down the group. Volunteering with two other men to attempt to destroy the gun Private SHONIO and his companions maneuvered through intense hostile artillery and machine gun fire to a position within grenade range. Disregarding the fearful enemy fire and although wounded by shrapnel, he rose to his feet and threw

several grenades into the gun nest. The gun and crew were completely destroyed, Private SHONIO'S intrepid action and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

CHARLES W. GOODELL, 3635085, First Sergeant (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 25 November 1944, in France and Germany. First Sergeant GOODELL, on 21 October 1944, was a member of a party which volunteered to clear a large, fallen tree from a vital supply road one hundred yards from the German lines. Making use of explosives, the group was able to remove the obstacle even though harassed by enemy mortar and artillery fire. On 19 November 1944, First Sergeant GOODELL led a combat patrol through an enemy mine field near Hannibois wood, France and personally neutralized two mines, permitting the patrol to advance safely. At Itra, Germany on 28 November 1944, First Sergeant GOODELL voluntarily supervised the building of a fifty-foot bridge across a torrential stream, thus opening a vital route during a critical period. First Sergeant GOODELL'S consistently heroic and inspiring devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROGER B. GARVER, 0541690, Second Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 October 1944, in the vicinity of Bouxiere-sous-Froidmont, France. Second Lieutenant GARVER, on 21 October 1944, led and supervised a group which was assigned the task of clearing a large, fallen tree from a vital supply road one hundred yards from the German lines. Making use of explosives, Second Lieutenant GARVER and his men were able to remove the obstacle even though they were forced to work for three hours under harassing enemy mortar and artillery fire. Second Lieutenant GARVER'S skilful leadership and exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ARVIL L. SILCOX, 17106013, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After one hour and a half of bitter fighting to take its objective, a farmhouse on Pureau Farm, Staff Sergeant SILCOX'S Platoon was reduced to only eight men to hold its position and render first aid to, and evacuate the wounded. Observing the enemy launching a counter-attack on the hard-won building, Staff Sergeant SILCOX immediately commenced a continuous blast of fire, using a borrowed automatic rifle. Two Germans were killed, three were wounded and the counter-attack was completely frustrated by the concentrated automatic rifle fire. Staff Sergeant SILCOX'S sterling courage and bold resourcefulness reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM J. FLICKEMA, 7030082, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On 15 January 1945 Technical Sergeant FLICKEMA was acting as a forward observer for Cannon Company near Saarlautern-Roden. At 0500 the enemy began a demonstration in force in the area where he was stationed. In spite of poor visibility and under intense enemy fire, Technical Sergeant FLICKEMA adjusted cannon fire on the enemy, aiding materially in the complete repulse of the counter-attack. The skill and unflinching devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant

FLICKEMA on this occasion reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM J. P. O'DONNELL, 36755697, 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 Gravelotte, France. Private First Class O'DONNELL, along with four other soldiers, volunteered to carry ammunition over a route covered by enemy observation and fire to a machine gun position in Gravelotte. Unable to secure a vehicle, the courageous men carried two boxes of ammunition each for a distance of one mile, all the time being exposed to hostile sniper, mortar and socratic artillery fire. Upon returning, the group secured a jeep, loaded it with more ammunition and again began the hazardous journey. When it was found impossible to bring the vehicle closer to the position than five hundred feet, it was unloaded and Private First Class O'DONNELL and two companions carried the ammunition the remaining distance by hand. Private First Class O'DONNELL'S courageous service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

VIRGIL PRESTON, 6663440, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Semecourt, France. On 15 November 1944 at Semecourt, France Private First Class PRESTON, a member of a Field Artillery Liaison Section maintained wire communication, during severe artillery and mortar shelling, between the artillery liaison officer and the Artillery Command Post, and the forward observer with the assault companies. Patrolling the line continuously, despite the heavy enemy fire, Private First Class PRESTON kept the wire in repair, enabling his Battalion to give the Infantry the supporting fire needed to accomplish its mission successfully. Private First Class PRESTON'S heroic achievement reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ART L. SEYMOUR, 38020007, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. During this momentous period of combat operations, Corporal SEYMOUR, as Wire Corporal, aided in the installation, maintenance and repair of wire nets, in some positions involving more than fifty miles of field wire. The job of repairing broken lines of communication frequently took Corporal SEYMOUR into areas subjected to enemy artillery shelling and small arms fire, but he was unhesitating and fearless in the loyal performance of his duties. Corporal SEYMOUR'S courage and unflagging energy reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

RAY E. CARTWRIGHT, 6558175, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. During this momentous period of combat operations, Corporal CARTWRIGHT, as Wire Corporal, aided in the installation, maintenance and repair of wire nets, in some positions involving more than fifty miles of field wire. The job of repairing broken lines of communication frequently took Corporal CARTWRIGHT into areas subjected to enemy artillery

shelling and small arms fire, but he was unhesitating and fearless in the loyal performance of his duties. Corporal CARTWRIGHT'S courage and unflagging energy reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

MURRAY SCHWARTZ, 32616848, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery A, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Merton, France and Biston, Germany. Under fierce enemy mortar and artillery shelling and small arms fire, Corporal SCHWARTZ, radio operator of the Forward Observer Team, maintained constant radio communication throughout this difficult period. At times his radio was the only available means of communication between the attacking Infantry elements and the supporting Artillery Battalion, but Corporal SCHWARTZ' untiring efforts enabled the forward observer team to deliver effective artillery support at all times. Corporal SCHWARTZ' superb performance of duty under intense enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

BRUNO M. WOJDYLA, 32579086, Private, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. During the early morning hours of 12 December 1944, enemy counter-battery fire fell on Battery C's position, killing one man and injuring several more. In the extreme darkness and with enemy shells still falling rapidly in the area, Private WOJDYLA made his way to the Battalion Aid Station to summon litter bearers. Guiding them back to the wounded men, he assisted them in the evacuation of the casualties. The valiant devotion to duty displayed by Private WOJDYLA reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

HARRY J. LIST, 38191069, Private First Class (Then Private), MD, Medical Detachment; ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Shortly after midnight on 12 December 1944, the enemy began a violent counter-battery barrage continuing for several hours. Despite the fact that Private First Class LIST was severely shaken up by a direct shell hit on the building in which he was sleeping, he courageously rendered medical aid to the casualties throughout the entire barrage. Private First Class LIST worked with skill and fortitude while exposed almost constantly to the fearsome artillery shelling of the enemy. The superb devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class LIST under these hazardous circumstances reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

CHARLES J. UTESCH JR, 36359956, Sergeant (Then Corporal), FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

IVAN T. EANNON, 36184988, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

SERGE ARVENGAS, 55571, Second Lieutenant, French Colonial Infantry, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military

operations against the enemy, from 5 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Letz, France.

ALFRED J. FITZPATRICK, 36359757, Staff Sergeant, CAV, ****Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT T. DAVIS, 0381167, Major, CE, Headquarters ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

ANDREW D. PATRICK, 01100721, Captain, CE, Headquarters ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT B. IRELAND, 0469975, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 6 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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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 VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

GEORGE L. RHOADS, 16153449, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Under an accurate, extremely heavy enemy mortar barrage, Technician Fifth Grade RHOADS proceeded through a minefield one hundred and fifty yards to a wounded soldier. First rendering first aid to the casualty, he then removed him to a collecting point. During the day, he braved repeatedly accurate fire from enemy machine guns and mortars to treat the wounded. Although warned to wait until the intense artillery shelling subsided, Technician Fifth Grade RHOADS was not deterred by danger from constantly attempting to relieve the suffering of his comrades. He was killed in action while trying to reach seriously wounded men in an extreme forward position. Technician Fifth Grade RHOADS' valorous conduct and supreme devotion to duty reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROY W. BALDWIN, 01317868, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. First Lieutenant BALDWIN and his Platoon, after having eliminated enemy resistance from a pillbox in Saarlautern-Roden, were subjected to accurate, heavy enemy sniper fire from a factory building, stopping the forward progress of the group. Completely ignoring the grave danger to himself, he moved out into an open position from which he could direct fire on the snipers. His daring act, by which he drew violent enemy fire, resulted in the destruction of the hostile riflemen, but First Lieutenant BALDWIN himself was mortally wounded. The great courage and selfless devotion to duty displayed by First Lieutenant BALDWIN, in not only allowing his Platoon to continue its advance but also in saving many of his men from injury, reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of 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 VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

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CHARLES W. MORROW, 0533491, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. To obtain vital information on enemy strength and disposition prior to an attack by the First Battalion, Second Lieutenant MORROW volunteered immediately to lead a patrol to seek to gain the information. Accompanied by two enlisted men, he entered enemy territory and although fired on, continued the reconnaissance. Only when the desired facts were obtained did the patrol begin the hazardous return trip. The alerted enemy again fired on Second Lieutenant MORROW and his men. In the ensuing fire fight at least one German was killed, but the patrol was able to fight its way back to safety unharmed. Second Lieutenant MORROW'S intrepid leadership and courageous devotion to duty on this occasion reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

VIRGIL W. HITCHCOCK, 31464146, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. To obtain vital information on enemy strength and disposition prior to an attack by the First Battalion, Private First Class HITCHCOCK volunteered immediately to take part in a patrol to seek to obtain the information. Accompanied by one officer and another enlisted man, he entered enemy territory and although fired on, continued the reconnaissance. Only when the desired facts were obtained did the patrol begin the hazardous return journey. The alerted enemy again fired on Private First Class HITCHCOCK and his associates. In the ensuing fire fight at least one German was killed, but the patrol fought its way back to safety unharmed. Private First Class HITCHCOCK'S high personal courage and admirable devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

CHARLES N. HOBART JR, 36974309, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. To obtain vital information on enemy strength and disposition prior to an attack by the First Battalion, Private First Class HOBART volunteered immediately to take part in a patrol to seek to obtain the information. Accompanied by one officer and another enlisted man, he entered enemy territory and although fired on, continued the reconnaissance. Only when the desired facts were obtained did the patrol begin the hazardous return journey. The alerted enemy again fired on Private First Class HOBART and his associates. In the ensuing fire fight at least one German was killed, but the patrol fought its way back to safety unharmed. Private First Class HOBART'S high personal courage and admirable devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

A. J. AUGUSTINE, 01304659, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Röder, Germany. His Company's advance seriously impeded by scathing machine gun fire from a German pillbox, First Lieutenant AUGUSTINE, a platoon leader, began crawling forward, armed with a rocket launcher, in an attempt to silence the enemy fire. After making his way one hundred yards over open terrain which offered little cover, he began firing at the pillbox turret from which the lethal fire was proceeding. Scoring several direct hits, First Lieutenant AUGUSTINE succeeded in eliminating the menacing enemy resistance. First Lieutenant AUGUSTINE'S cool courage and gallant devotion to duty in the face of direct enemy machine gun fire, permitting Company E to continue its advance, reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military

service. Entered military service from Michigan.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, in addition to the Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

ANDREW SKRELE, 02000140, Second Lieutenant (Then Technical Sergeant) INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Company B, engaged in street fighting in Fraulautern, Germany, was unable to capture the enemy small arms fire from pillboxes near the railroad tracks. Realizing the necessity of neutralizing the fire power of these positions, Second Lieutenant SKRELE and another officer moved toward the pillbox, reaching it successfully, Second Lieutenant SKRELE pounded on the steel door, demanding surrender. The stunned defenders, believing their situation hopeless, capitulated. Moving immediately to the second bunker, Second Lieutenant SKRELE ordered the German troops within to surrender, explaining, by the use of one of the prisoners, that the first pillbox had been taken. These tactics were continued until the two daring officers had effected the surrender of four pillboxes and sixteen prisoners. Second Lieutenant SKRELE'S fearless action, which resulted in complete nullification of the pillbox threat on this occasion, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLARENCE O'BRIEN, 36357105, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During an advance on enemy positions in Fraulautern during which several riflemen were wounded, Technician Fifth Grade O'BRIEN, an aid man, also received a painful arm wound while treating a casualty. Regardless of his suffering, and the raging enemy mortar barrage, he continued administering to the wounded man and four more casualties until he was forcibly evacuated. Technician Fifth Grade O'BRIEN'S valiant and devoted service to his comrades although seriously wounded himself and braving heavy enemy fire reflects distinct credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JOSEPH H. MC LAUGHLIN, 42082732, Private First Class, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Kerlingen, Germany. When the machine gun section of Company K, due to heavy fog, became separated from its platoon and section sergeants during the attack on Kerlingen, Private First Class MC LAUGHLIN assumed command immediately to lead the section out of the heavy enemy flanking fire. Manuevering the section into a partially covered position, Private First Class MC LAUGHLIN ordered the guns set up. Almost immediately machine gun fire was thrown on the enemy positions designated as targets by Private First Class MC LAUGHLIN, and the enemy was completely routed, leaving five dead and six wounded. Private First Class MC LAUGHLIN'S courage and initiative reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Delaware.

SAM L. FELDMAN, 36357565, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Private First Class FELDMAN and a companion, after Company L's advance east of Boulay was seriously impeded by automatic weapons fire, located on reconnaissance on machine gun and fifteen enemy riflemen on high ground overlooking the Company's right flank. Armed with a light machine gun, Private First Class FELDMAN and his comrade crawled up a draw to within approximately one hundred yards from the enemy emplacement. From this position, he knocked out the enemy machine gun and crew, taking three prisoners. Private First Class FELDMAN'S courageous actions on this occasion reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM E. BOWMAN, 36600070, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Attacking near Fraulautern across an open field under enemy machine gun and small arms fire, Companies I and K halted their advance when the fire became so intense as to force the men to seek cover. Knowing that the men halted in their tracks would be excellent targets for enemy mortars, Staff Sergeant BOWMAN crawled from soldier to soldier, rallying them and preparing them for concerted action. Then ignoring the violent enemy fire he arose and began moving forward, followed first by only a few. Finally the men, inspired by Staff Sergeant BOWMAN'S gallant example, began the attack in large numbers. The group, with Staff Sergeant BOWMAN among the leading element, swept on successfully to its objective. The conspicuous heroism of Staff Sergeant BOWMAN'S action at this critical point reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HUBBARD B. SPRADLIN, W2108723, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Texas.

CHARLES L. MC COY, 33842566, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 8 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Fraulautern, Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

SYLVAN L. MILLER, 36687255, Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

RAYMOND W. KOPPI, 37287962, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

NORMAN H. KITTEL, 36249766, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

* FRANK H. SEGEBART, 36359167, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLARENCE O. WEST, 38019629, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

* RICHARD E. DOYLE, 31150403, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Maine.

SAMUEL H. NOSITZER, 32424261, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, Headquarters Special Troops, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

* EDWARD J. MILLER, 01284910, Captain, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

* FREDERICK A. KELLER, 01062395, First Lieutenant, GAC, Headquarters Military Intelligence Service, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from New York.

V. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and WCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

* CLARENCE H. MACKAY, 0298050, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 January 1945 to 1 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Mississippi.

* DORSEY E. MC CROMY, 022683, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 January 1945 to 1 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Texas.

* HAROLD H. MOORE, 0335728, Major, QAC, ****Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 25 January 1945 to 1 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Arizona.

VI. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders, Number 24, dated 27 January 1945, this Headquarters, as pertains to ARTHUR HELLMAN, 36353248, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, as reads: "a Bronze Star Medal is awarded" is amended to read: "in addition to the Bronze Star Medal previously awarded a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded."

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SECTION IV - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and WCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

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*ROLPH TEZAK, 39861461, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, from 20 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In bitter house to house fighting in Metz Private First Class TEZAK performed repeatedly valorous duty in aiding the wounded under heavy enemy fire. On 22 November 1944 he observed a wounded infantry soldier lying exposed to hostile fire in an open square. Without hesitation Private First Class TEZAK went to the side of the casualty. In so doing he was hit by rifle fire but this did not deter him from administering first aid to the previously wounded man. While evacuating his patient to cover, Private First Class TEZAK collapsed. Before aid could be given he died of his wounds. The heroic conduct of Private First Class TEZAK reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Arizona.

RUSSELL W. POSEY, 35333103, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 15 and 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Malzevres-les-Metz, France. Under enemy machine gun and rifle fire Technician Fifth Grade POSEY risked his life in order to aid and evacuate casualties suffered in the assault on the Slag Pile. On the morning of 16 November 1944 he entered an artillery barrage while endeavoring to evacuate a group of wounded soldiers one hundred yards beyond his Platoon's Command Post. In the process of evacuation a shell fragment struck Technician Fifth Grade POSEY in the chest, wounding him painfully. Despite this mishap he continued to evacuate the wounded to cover. Upon reaching a safe position himself he collapsed from loss of blood and died on the way to the Collecting Company. Technician Fifth Grade POSEY'S heroic devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and WCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to:

CHARLES J. DONOVAN, 01306251, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When his Company's advance inside Fraulautern was imperiled by heavy fire from pillboxes situated

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alongside the railway, First Lieutenant DONOVAN accompanied by one non-commissioned officer proceeded under fire toward the first pillbox. Upon reaching his objective First Lieutenant DONOVAN pounded on the steel door calling upon the enemy garrison to surrender or be destroyed. The German soldiers inside, tricked by First Lieutenant DONOVAN'S boldness into believing their situation hopeless, surrendered. This daring ruse was used until four pillboxes and sixteen prisoners had been captured. First Lieutenant DONOVAN'S Company, inspired by their leader's gallant action, carried the attack through to a successful conclusion. The staunch and fearless leadership given by First Lieutenant DONOVAN on this occasion reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

III. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and WOG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

JOHN A. RUSSELL, 36976459, Private, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private RUSSELL hurried under fire to summon the Platoon Leaders of his Company to the Company Command Post in preparation for an attack on strong enemy positions near Saarlautern-Roden. In order to most quickly accomplish his task Private RUSSELL disregarded danger, after paths for the shortest route available which was undergoing heavy enemy shelling. Private RUSSELL delivered his message and was leading the Platoon Leaders to the Command Post when a mortar shell landed nearby, wounding him fatally. Private RUSSELL'S devout performance of duty under fire reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

IV AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and WOG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LLOYD A. CRABB JR, 0540742, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On 10 December 1944 Second Lieutenant CRABB led his Platoon fearlessly and skillfully in routing enemy resistance in houses along a street in Saarlautern-Roden. Pillboxes, tanks and snipers impeded the Platoon's progress against the stubborn entrenched enemy but with courageous determination Second Lieutenant CRABB paced his command in the fierce house-to-house struggle, driving the enemy from shelter. That afternoon, during the advance, one of Second Lieutenant CRABB'S Squad Leaders fell wounded between two houses which had just been captured. Without regard for his own safety Second Lieutenant CRABB moved out into the open, bent on rescuing the casualty from further fire. Just then a German mortar shell burst nearby wounding Second Lieutenant CRABB and he was, against his will, evacuated. The brave leadership, intrepid combat skill and high devotion to duty displayed by Second Lieutenant CRABB reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

PAUL C. FLYNN, 36891039, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When he observed three wounded soldiers lying forty-five yards away at a road junction exposed to heavy machine gun fire, Private First Class FLYNN without hesitation left the protection of a building and went to their aid. In the face of withering machine gun fire he transported one of the casualties to safety, and then returned for the others. Private First Class FLYNN then administered first aid to the three wounded men and remained with them until evacuation was possible. Private First Class FLYNN'S courageous deed very possibly resulted in the saving of the wounded men's lives and reflects great credit on Private First Class FLYNN and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

MORRIS LUBIN, 35531786, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 5 December 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. On 5 December 1944, Technician Fifth Grade LUBIN accompanied a patrol across a bombarded bridge and across six hundred yards of open field in order to care for the wounded of two isolated companies of infantry. At his destination an enemy shell exploded, injuring Technician Fifth Grade LUBIN and causing him to lose consciousness. Carried to safety he soon regained consciousness and returned to duty at once. In the following two days and nights, under heavy fire, he moved among exposed positions administering first aid to the wounded until it was possible to evacuate them. Technician Fifth Grade LUBIN'S heroic and resolute performance of duty was instrumental in the saving of lives and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RICHARD E. TIPPLE, 36841412, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Fraulautern, Germany. In the face of heavy machine gun and sniper fire Private First Class TIPPLE fired his rocket launcher from an exposed position with devastating effect on enemy troops entrenched in houses in Saarlautern-Roden. As his platoon moved into the buildings to rout the remaining enemy Private First Class TIPPLE entered one of the houses alone. Inside he captured eight German soldiers who had been serving a machine gun. Private First Class TIPPLE'S courageous and aggressive action reflects great credit upon him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

BRUCE R. ELLETT, 32579249, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. During this momentous period of combat operations, Private First Class ELLETT, a wireman and telephone operator, aided materially in the installation, maintenance and repair of wire nets, in some positions involving more than fifty miles of field wire. The job of repairing broken lines of communication frequently took Private First Class ELLETT into areas subjected to enemy artillery shelling and small arms fire, but he was unhesitating and fearless in the loyal performance of his duties. Private First Class ELLETT'S courage and unflagging energy reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JAMES L. ROBINSON, 32579186, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarbrücken, Germany. During this momentous period of combat operations, Private First Class ROBINSON, a wireman and telephone operator, aided materially in the installation, maintenance and repair of wire nets, in some positions involving more than fifty miles of field wire. The job of replacing broken lines of communication frequently took Private First Class ROBINSON into areas subjected to enemy artillery shelling and small arms fire, but he was undaunted and fearless in the loyal performance of his duties. Private First Class ROBINSON'S courage and unflinching energy reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOSEPH F. PABUT, 32579091, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. During the early morning hours of 12 December 1944, after an extremely heavy artillery barrage had blasted telephone communications to gun positions, Technician Fifth Grade PABUT's Battery received a fire mission. Making out into the fierce storm of artillery shelling, Technician Fifth Grade PABUT repaired the vital lines to the gun positions. He personally relayed fire commands to the other guns of the Battery. Technician Fifth Grade PABUT'S courageous devotion to duty under very heavy enemy fire, making possible successful execution of the fire mission, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALVIN N. MITCHELL, 3C039765, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ober Felsberg, Germany. Sergeant MITCHELL, situated in the comparative safety of a tank ditch outside Ober Felsberg, was relaying fire missions for a forward observer with an infantry company in the town. When the forward observer's radio failed, Sergeant MITCHELL immediately left his covered position and began making his way toward the town, carrying his own radio. Although his route was constantly under fire from enemy small arms fire, he did not hesitate until he had succeeded in reaching the forward observer with the radio. Sergeant MITCHELL delivered the radio, which was the only means of communication with the Field Artillery Battalion, just as an enemy counter-attack was launched. His bold action was therefore vital in repelling the counter-attack. The valiant devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant MITCHELL at this time reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

NICHOLAS DAVIS, 11122066, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. While the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was fighting to secure the wooded area west of Maizières-les-Metz, enemy artillery fire cut Company F's forward observer telephone line. Technician Fifth Grade DAVIS, a member of the forward observer party, and two other comrades went out to service the line, even though enemy observation was excellent and artillery fire intense. Direct enemy shelling was brought on the three men almost immediately, killing one of them. Technician Fifth Grade DAVIS and his surviving companions continued at their hazardous task until communications were re-established. The bold

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determination and unswerving devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade DAVIS reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

ROBERT R. SHAW, 0540620, Second Lieutenant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. As Company L's attack on Folsberg began a rifleman, wounded in the throat and shoulder, fell in view of Second Lieutenant SHAW'S anti-tank gun position. With no regard for his own safety Second Lieutenant SHAW moved out into intense machine gun, mortar and artillery fire to where the wounded soldier lay. There he administered first aid and carried the casualty to cover whence evacuation was later effected. Second Lieutenant SHAW'S heroic action saved the rifleman's life and inspired the men of his Company, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ERNEST R. SCHMIDT, 36600480, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ober-Limberg, Germany. In fierce fighting at Ober-Limberg Staff Sergeant SCHMIDT repeatedly distinguished himself in leading his squad with outstanding courage and combat skill. When casualties were suffered during severe mortar shelling Staff Sergeant SCHMIDT, although wounded, administered first aid to three other casualties while still under heavy enemy fire. Staff Sergeant SCHMIDT'S devout performance of duty aided his Company greatly in taking the objective and reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARNE W. GABRIELSEN, 36600163, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

CHARLES A. PHILLIPS, 38040106, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN E. SHORT, 38020274, First Sergeant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

JOHN D. MORRISON, 36040396, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 26 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

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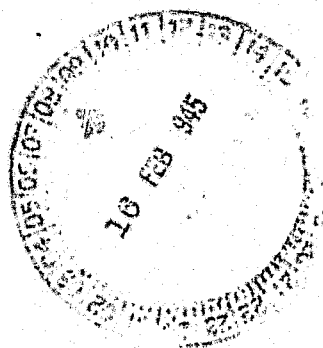
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SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and VOEG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

CHARLES L. BIRBECK, 36895264, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. When his small reconnaissance party encountered an enemy force of fifty, Private First Class BIRBECK dispersed the Germans with accurate marching rifle fire. Later, on the edge of a wood, sweeping machine gun fire was received. Private First Class BIRBECK ran to within one hundred yards of the wood, fell prone, and engaged the enemy with his rifle. He continued to harass the hostile entrenchment until a squad of friendly riflemen arrived. Then, with the squad, he assaulted the German position and captured the machine gunner. Private First Class BIRBECK's courageous and aggressive action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

EDGAR R. CRABTREE, 37696567, Sergeant (Then Private), INF, Company I, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During street fighting in Metz Sergeant CRABTREE observed movement inside a nearby building. Moving carefully into the building he came upon three German officers. Sergeant CRABTREE ordered them to surrender. They fired on him, and he retaliated accurately with his rifle, killing the three officers. Several enemy soldiers approached Sergeant CRABTREE. Dropping into a concealed position, Sergeant CRABTREE grenaded the hostile group, killing one and routing the remainder. Sergeant CRABTREE'S bold and courageous action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

ORNELLO TOFANI, C1180073, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Near hoppy forward elements of an Infantry Battalion were held up by heavy, flanking machine gun fire. Unable to locate the enemy weapons from the Battalion area, First Lieutenant TOFANI moved out beyond the furthest point of advance where he located the accurately-firing machine guns and silenced them. Later, in order to adjust artillery fire on German guns across the Moselle River, First Lieutenant TOFANI boldly walked across a mine field which subsequently inflicted casualties on the assaulting infantry. First Lieutenant TOFANI'S resolute devotion to duty contributed substantially to the success of the attack on Metz, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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II. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

DONALD L. MC CALL, 17106468, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ober-Linberg, Germany. Under heavy mortar shelling Sergeant MC CALL returned to a wooded area north of Ober-Linberg, in which he had led his squad in reducing all enemy resistance, to evacuate a wounded comrade. Sergeant MC CALL reached his destination but before he was able to aid his comrade he was struck by a mortar shell and killed. Sergeant MC CALL'S heroism reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

WALTER MAKONEN, 32652259, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Prualtern, Germany. On the morning of 4 December 1944 Staff Sergeant MAKONEN, with one companion, reportedly risked his life to evacuate seven wounded soldiers from ground which was being heavily shelled by German mortars. Staff Sergeant MAKONEN acted without hesitation and to reach the wounded he had to brave a thirty-five yard path of intense small arms fire as well as the mortar shelling. On 15 December 1944 Staff Sergeant MAKONEN was killed in action. His conspicuously heroic conduct reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ELMER P. GUILLE, 39014050, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 14 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from California.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and VCG VIII Corps, 29 January 1945, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LAWRENCE W. POMERVILLE, 36572516, Corporal, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 4 December 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When enemy troops entered the house above a cellar in which he was caring for five casualties, Corporal POMERVILLE remained with the wounded until the Germans left. Corporal POMERVILLE'S four hour vigil required the utmost in courage and devotion to duty, reflecting great credit on Corporal POMERVILLE and exemplifying the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALBERT H. DOEPNER, 37369721, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 Saarlautern, Germany. When Tank Destroyers were urgently needed to support Company L'S hold on the south end of the Saarlautern bridge, Technician Fifth Grade DOEPNER volunteered to drive an officer back to contact the Destroyers and guide them forward, proceeding through streets still heavily infested with enemy snipers and roving bands of hostile soldiers, the two men completed the dangerous mission successfully, protected only by the small arms they wore. Technician Fifth Grade DOEPNER'S heroic devotion to duty in thus aiding to secure the

vital Tank Destroyer support reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

CLARENCE S. PAGE, 37128970, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Leading his platoon during the assaults on Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Hoden, Germany, Technical Sergeant PAGE won the admiration of men and officers by his intrepid combat skill and resourcefulness in the face of severe enemy fire. Throughout this period, although Technical Sergeant PAGE and his group were engaged in fierce house-to-house fighting under almost constant sniper, artillery and mortar fire, his platoon was invariably successful in battling its way through to its objective. The daring leadership and inspiring determination displayed by Technical Sergeant PAGE reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

WILLIAM P. KLIMCHEN, 36184588, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Hoden, Germany. Since Private First Class KLIMCHEN'S Company was unable to advance further due to savage fire from an enemy bunker, it was decided to attempt to induce the garrison to surrender. Waiting until dark, Private First Class KLIMCHEN worked his way to within calling distance of the fortification and, speaking in German, asked the enemy garrison to surrender. Almost immediately, the ten Germans within the bunker capitulated. Private First Class KLIMCHEN'S courageous devotion to duty in risking his life so that his Company might continue its advance reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

HENRY G. CARLSON, 39317243, Corporal, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. While the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was fighting to secure the wooded area west of Maizières-les-Metz, enemy artillery fire cut Company F's forward observer telephone line. Corporal CARLSON, a member of the forward observer party, and two other comrades went out to service the line, even though enemy observation was excellent and artillery fire intense. Direct enemy shelling was brought on the three men almost immediately, killing one of them. Corporal CARLSON and his surviving companion continued at their hazardous task until communications were re-established. The bold determination and unswerving devotion to duty displayed by Corporal CARLSON reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

CHESTER R. NAJDA, 35537354, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Liaison Section Wireman, Private First Class NAJDA and the whole wire crew were forced into a ditch by scathing German machine gun fire while repairing lines on the Saarlautern road. Continuing after the firing had subsided somewhat, the group worked tirelessly to maintain communications between infantry and artillery elements. Since the lines were severed often during the day, Private First Class NAJDA was forced to work under intense artillery and mortar fire to repair them. The valiant devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class NAJDA reflects

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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:

EDWARD G. ELDRIDGE, 01296343, First Lieutenant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When security of the south end of the Saarlautern bridge was imperiled by heavy fire from bunkers on each side of the bridge approach First Lieutenant ELDRIDGE bravely walked firing a machine pistol on the German positions. Group after group of enemy soldiers surrendered to the bold one-man assault, and First Lieutenant ELDRIDGE'S Company sprang to the attack behind him, fighting savagely until two bunkers and two large warehouses and their garrisons had been captured. First Lieutenant ELDRIDGE fired five hundred rounds of enemy ammunition in leading his Company in the killing of thirty-nine Germans and the capture of one hundred and thirty-six. First Lieutenant ELDRIDGE was killed in action on 12 December 1944. His staunch and fearless leadership reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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:

WILBUR R. GUNDERSON, 36248807, First Sergeant (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ay-Sur-Moselle, France. When heavy machine gun fire and cross fire from concealed snipers held up his Company outside Ay-Sur-Moselle, First Sergeant GUNDERSON, hurling grenades with deadly accuracy, boldly charged the enemy strongpoint. Encouraged by his fierce, aggressive action First Sergeant GUNDERSON'S men followed him forward into the enemy position. As a result of First Sergeant GUNDERSON'S timely and courageous leadership two German machine gun emplacements, three German gunners, and two German snipers were captured, opening the way for the penetration of Ay-Sur-Moselle. First Sergeant GUNDERSON'S distinctly superior combat skill reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

THOMAS GIKAS, 39285145, Private First Class, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the

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vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In order to save a wounded comrade's life Private First Class GIKAS with one companion crawled across two hundred yards of fire-swept terrain to where the casualty lay and then transported him one hundred yards under enemy shelling to a position whence he could be safely evacuated. Private First Class GIKAS' conspicuously gallant act reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

THOMAS E. HARRELL, 35362819, Private First Class, INF, Company H, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In order to save a wounded comrade's life Private First Class HARRELL, with one companion crawled across two hundred yards of fire-swept terrain to where the casualty lay and then transported him one hundred yards under enemy shelling to a position whence he could be safely evacuated. Private First Class HARRELL'S conspicuously gallant act reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

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 the following:

FRANCIS W. TRUEX JR, 35161044, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Engaged in fierce house to house fighting, Staff Sergeant TRUEX and his squad were being subjected to sweeping machine gun fire from a house to their front. Planning his attack quickly, Staff Sergeant TRUEX directed part of his men to remain in position and fire rapidly on the enemy strong-point. The balance of the squad he led in a bold frontal assault, killing or capturing all five Germans in the emplacement. Shortly thereafter, leading his squad's advance, he was killed by an enemy sniper. Staff Sergeant TRUEX'S intrepid leadership and heroic devotion to duty reflect lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

WILLIAM S. MC MURDO, 36878159, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Among the first to pass through barbed wire entanglements protecting a bunker besieged by his Platoon, Private First Class MC MURDO heard his comrades calling for hand grenades. Voluntarily crawling back three times through the wire, he relayed grenades from the rear men to soldiers occupying trenches outside the fortification. Risking his life constantly, he furnished the grenades needed to reduce the position. The same day Private First Class MC MURDO was mortally wounded by hostile fire while setting up a machine gun to resist a counter-attack. His superb and unwavering devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on Private First Class MC MURDO and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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:

RICHARD J. KEARNEY, 37662486, Private, OE, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to destroy a pillbox delivering murderous fire on attacking infantrymen, Private KEARNEY and three companions crawled forward fifty yards, exposed to fire from a second bunker. Covered by four riflemen, the volunteers descended a long stairway to the pillbox door and detonated heavy charges, killing four Germans and wounding the remaining soldier. Returning to the Infantry position, the group sent a demand forward that the other bunker's occupants surrender the position immediately. Upon being told of the first pillbox's destruction, the entire garrison of ten Germans filed out, surrendering without further resistance. Private KEARNEY'S courageous actions in the successful reduction of two menacing enemy fortifications reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

NICK KOWALIUK, 36645632, Private First Class, OE, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to destroy a pillbox delivering murderous fire on attacking infantrymen, Private First Class KOWALIUK and three companions crawled forward fifty yards, exposed to fire from a second bunker. Covered by four riflemen, the volunteers descended a long stairway to the pillbox door and detonated heavy charges, killing four Germans and wounding the remaining soldier. Returning to the Infantry position, the group sent a demand forward that the other bunker's occupants surrender the position immediately. Upon being told of the first pillbox's destruction, the entire garrison of ten Germans filed out, surrendering without further resistance. Private First Class KOWALIUK'S courageous actions in the successful reduction of two menacing enemy fortifications reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

LAWRENCE A. BARRON, 19096584, Private, OE, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to destroy a pillbox delivering murderous fire on attacking infantrymen, Private BARRON and three companions crawled forward fifty yards, exposed to fire from a second bunker. Covered by four riflemen, the volunteers descended a long stairway to the pillbox door and detonated heavy charges, killing four Germans and wounding the remaining soldier. Returning to the Infantry position, the group sent a demand forward that the other bunker's occupants surrender the position immediately. Upon being told of the first pillbox's destruction, the entire garrison of ten Germans filed out, surrendering without further resistance. Private BARRON'S courageous actions in the successful reduction of two menacing enemy fortifications reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

BERNARD M. SMITH, 37285962, Sergeant, OE, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to destroy a pillbox delivering murderous fire on attacking infantrymen, Sergeant SMITH and three companions crawled forward fifty yards, exposed to fire from a second bunker. Covered by four riflemen, the volunteers descended a long stairway to the pillbox door and detonated heavy charges, killing four Germans and wounding the remaining soldier. Returning to the Infantry position, the group sent a demand forward that the other bunker's occupants surrender the position immediately.

CHARLES C. WALSH, 01285343, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. First Lieutenant WALSH planned and supervised the vital and always dangerous job of transporting supplies and ammunition across the Saar River to the Third Battalion, holding the Emsdorf bridgehead. Completely disregarding his own safety, he took charge of the assault boats ferrying the river under intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire, keeping the Battalion well supplied with ammunition and rations during a trying period. First Lieutenant WALSH also supervised the evacuation of casualties and prisoners of war from the embattled bridgehead. The superb service and fearless loyalty displayed by First Lieutenant WALSH reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

JAMES C. KENNEDY, 17082785, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. When the rear ammunition dump of the Second Battalion was struck by enemy artillery shelling, igniting white phosphorous shells and thermite grenades, Sergeant KENNEDY and two comrades unhesitatingly entered the wrecked building to investigate. Finding the blazing shells and incendiaries in imminent danger of setting off great quantities of high explosive ammunition and dynamite, the three men, disregarding the grave danger to themselves, kicked the burning shells and grenades into the street and extinguished them with sand. Although painfully burned, Sergeant KENNEDY continued working furiously until the fires were completely conquered. Sergeant KENNEDY'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROGER L. OLSON, 0528959, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 January 1945, in the vicinity of Schaffhausen, Germany. First Lieutenant OLSON was designated to lead a combat patrol into Schaffhausen to take a German prisoner. Approaching the village through a heavily-mined area, a mine was activated and First Lieutenant OLSON was wounded by shrapnel. Although the alerted enemy began hurling grenades at the patrol led by the wounded but undaunted officer, the patrol retaliated with grenades and did not hesitate until a German soldier was captured. The patrol's withdrawal was accomplished under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire. First Lieutenant OLSON'S courageous leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

JOHN N. HOY, 35438021, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. When the rear ammunition dump of the Second Battalion was struck by enemy artillery shelling, igniting white phosphorous shells and thermite grenades, Private First Class HOY and two comrades unhesitatingly entered the wrecked building to investigate. Finding the blazing shells and incendiaries in imminent danger of setting off great quantities of high explosive ammunition and dynamite, the three men, disregarding the grave danger to themselves, kicked the burning shells and grenades into the street and extinguished them with sand. Although painfully burned, Private First Class HOY continued working furiously until the fires were completely conquered. Private First Class HOY'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Upon being told of the first pillbox's destruction, the entire garrison of ten Germans filed out, surrendering without further resistance. Sergeant SMITH'S courageous actions in the successful reduction of two menacing enemy fortifications reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

* CHARLES L. LAKE JR, 35589667, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Esdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

* BENJAMIN C. O'SULLIVAN, 01798697, Second Lieutenant, CMP, ***Military Police Platoon, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

V. 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:

HENRY L. WARSHELL, 01165803, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During an attempted crossing of the Moselle River, the Infantry Company with which First Lieutenant WARSHELL was forward observer was unable to continue its advance due to deadly machine gun, twenty-millimeter and mortar fire. First Lieutenant WARSHELL, utterly disregarding the danger to himself, moved to an exposed position in full view of the enemy and placed accurate artillery shelling on the hostile gun positions, forcing their abandonment. The intrepid devotion to duty displayed by First Lieutenant WARSHELL in thus relieving a critical situation reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN J. HUGHES JR, 01551430, First Lieutenant, Ord Dept, ***Ordnance (LM) Company, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Dalstein, France. When an organizational vehicle burst into flame after strafing by enemy aircraft, First Lieutenant HUGHES dashed into the burning truck to extinguish the blaze. Although risking his life, since the grenades, rockets and small arms ammunition with which the truck was loaded were exploding violently, First Lieutenant HUGHES did not hesitate in his efforts. As additional men arrived, he quickly organized them into a fire-fighting team. Under his active and fearless leadership, the dangerous fire was completely smothered. First Lieutenant HUGHES' dauntless leadership and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

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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:

DONALD C. VENNEKOHL, 37208909, Private First Class, INF, Company K, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During fierce street fighting at Saarlautern Private First Class VENNEKOHL observed a wounded man lying exposed to intense small arms fire in a field seventy-five yards away. With no regard for his own safety Private First Class VENNEKOHL hurried into the field. As he approached the wounded soldier he was shot by a sniper, but with heroic perseverance Private First Class VENNEKOHL proceeded to the casualty and began to evacuate him. As he neared cover Private First Class VENNEKOHL was again hit by enemy fire, this time fatally, but he had transported his wounded comrade far enough for other soldiers to complete a successful evacuation. Private First Class VENNEKOHL'S valiant deed reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

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:

CLINTON M. ANDERSON, 33443384, Private First Class, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When his rifle squad, guarding an important street intersection in Saarlautern, was suddenly attacked by Germans in platoon strength, Private First Class ANDERSON brilliantly averted what could have been a catastrophe by quickly maneuvering to the flank of the enemy platoon and delivering accurate fire with his automatic rifle. Private First Class ANDERSON, in the face of heavy enemy fire, killed eight enemy soldiers, wounded six and routed the survivors with his own bold firing. The intrepid and daring action of Private First Class ANDERSON reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

WILLIAM A. MC CAMPBELL, 0538730, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Leipzig Farm, France. First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL led a thirty-man patrol on strongly defended Leipzig Farm on 13 November 1944. After inducing the enemy outguards to surrender, First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL

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personally led a bazooka team in assaulting the building which commanded the German fortifications in that area. After steel-gates at the entrance had been blown open First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL directed his men in a strongly aggressive action which utterly routed the German defenders. Four of the enemy were killed, three taken prisoner, several wounded, and two German machine guns were destroyed. There were no casualties in First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL'S patrol. The staunch and courageous leadership given by First Lieutenant MC CAMPBELL reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

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:

WILLIAM H. HARRIGAN JR, 01319412, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company E, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When deadly machine gun, cannon and mortar fire from entrenched enemy positions harried his Company during a river crossing operation on the Moselle River, First Lieutenant HARRIGAN with a machine gun moved into a boldly exposed position in order to deliver accurate fire on the enemy. Assisted by another officer, First Lieutenant HARRIGAN'S devastating fire drove the Germans from their positions, killing four, and enabled the Company to occupy an area along the west bank of the river. First Lieutenant HARRIGAN'S intrepid performance of duty under heavy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

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:

VINCENT V. EILERTSON, 37287568, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Altforweiler, Germany. A light machine gunner attached to a combat outpost, Private First Class EILERTSON, vigilantly alert, observed the outbreak of German automatic weapons fire on another attacking Infantry Company. Immediately bringing sharp, effective fire on the positions, he silenced the three enemy weapons, even though his action drew answering mortar and eighty-eight millimeter fire on his position. Courageously disregarding his own safety, he continued his invaluable support until the Infantry elements had taken the objective area. Private First Class EILERTSON'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

MAURICE J. ERHART, 37449178, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. For four nights, Technical Sergeant ERHART organized and led large carrying parties to the Saar River to pick up supplies essential to the operations of his Company in Emsdorf. The route was constantly menaced by enemy patrols, covered by hostile machine gun and mortar fire and, along the river, subject to constant enemy artillery shelling. Fearlessly braving the hazards of his task until relieved after four nights, Technical Sergeant ERHART kept unceasing control over his men, administering aid to the wounded and

encouraging the exhausted. The conspicuously heroic leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant EHMART in signally aiding his Company under such difficult conditions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

CHESTER C. SARGENT, 39137460, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Einsdorf, Germany. After crossing the Saar River, Company A, to which Private SARGENT was attached as aid man, suffered heavy casualties when subjected to fearful artillery and small arms fire. Private SARGENT, although wounded, continued to give medical aid to his comrades until he was evacuated from the battlefield by litter. The selfless devotion to duty demonstrated by Private SARGENT on this occasion reflects great credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

LEWIS G. ARCHAMBEAULT, 01323261, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. After crossing the Saar River, First Lieutenant ARCHAMBEAULT and his Platoon were moving along a road toward the bridgehead which Company B was aiding in securing when a German scout car was encountered. Bayoneting the occupant, the platoon moved on to the bridgehead area where First Lieutenant ARCHAMBEAULT deployed it cleverly to resist effectively any enemy counter-attacks which might develop. Throughout the ensuing action in which the enemy launched several counter-attacks, First Lieutenant ARCHAMBEAULT'S aggressive leadership and superior skill at organizing positions were constantly inspiring to his men, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Montana.

KENNETH M. BERG, 37097760, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the wire chief and one wireman of Private First Class BERG'S team were wounded by enemy sniper fire while stringing wire between the First Battalion switchboard and a Company Command Post, one wireman remained behind to give first aid to the casualties. Private First Class BERG and one companion continued on their mission through an area containing many German snipers and several by-passed machine gun positions still capable of delivering fire. The two men however persisted at their dangerous work until succeeding in establishing the invaluable communications. Private First Class BERG'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

MERLE M. BROWER, 35334296, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the wire chief and one wireman of Private First Class BROWER'S team were wounded by enemy sniper fire while stringing wire between the First Battalion switchboard and a Company Command Post, one wireman remained behind to give first aid to the casualties. Private First Class BROWER and one companion continued on their mission through an area containing many German snipers and several by-passed machine gun positions still capable of delivering fire. The two men however persisted at their dangerous work until succeeding in establishing the invaluable communications. Private First Class BROWER'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the mili-

tary service. Entered military service from Indiana.

ELMO M. BURN JR, 34651769, Private First Class, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. While repairing a wire line under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire Private First Class BURN was struck in both legs and his left arm by shell fragments. After receiving first aid he insisted upon returning to his important duty and refused to be evacuated until his job was done. Private First Class BURN'S courageous perseverance and resolute devotion to duty under fire reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

HORACE S. KAMRATH , 36509385, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class KAMRATH was bearing ammunition to his gun crew, in close support of assaulting rifle platoons in the attack on Saarlautern, when enemy machine gun fire struck him. Although wounded painfully in the stomach, Private First Class KAMRATH crawled forward under the hostile fire and delivered the needed ammunition to his comrades. Private First Class KAMRATH'S heroic determination and devout performance of duty under fire reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

VINCENT J. CANNATA, 32617530, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Under heavy artillery and mortar fire Private First Class CANNATA, with one other soldier, voluntarily laid wire from the Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, Command Post in Fraulautern to a forward wirehead in Saarlautern. Enemy shelling cut the wire, but Private First Class CANNATA courageously serviced the important line throughout the night despite severe enemy machine gunning. Private First Class CANNATA'S cool courage under fire and his firm devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHNNIE G. ANDERSON, 35464193, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Under heavy artillery and mortar fire Private First Class ANDERSON, with one other soldier, voluntarily laid wire from the Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, Command Post in Fraulautern to a forward wirehead in Saarlautern. Enemy shelling cut the wire, but Private First Class ANDERSON courageously serviced the important line throughout the night despite severe enemy machine gunning. Private First Class ANDERSON'S cool courage under fire and his firm devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ROBERT E. CLEVELAND, 01170318, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. When a continuous concentration of enemy shelling severed vital wire communications serving the Field Artillery Battalion being reinforced by his Battalion, Captain CLEVELAND, Communications Officer, and an enlisted man set out

immediately to repair the break, working steadily under a violent artillery barrage and further handicapped by a raging storm, Captain CLEVELAND and his companion repaired numerous breaks. It was only after several hours of arduous labor under menacing enemy artillery fire that Captain CLEVELAND restored the important wire line. The courage and inspiring devotion to duty demonstrated by Captain CLEVELAND under these difficult conditions reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

THOMAS F. HAYWOOD, 17049006, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious services in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

EARL G. LEDENE, 37282073, Sergeant, QMC, ****Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. Entered military service from North Dakota.

V. 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:

RICHARD H. INGERSOLL, 01323433, First Lieutenant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Schaffhausen, Germany. First Lieutenant INGERSOLL, taking command of Company F after the commanding officer was wounded, reorganized quickly and effectively. The Company, inspired by his courageous leadership, fought on doggedly to capture one hundred and six Germans and kill one hundred and fifty more. After regaining contact with the other attacking infantry elements, First Lieutenant INGERSOLL personally led aid men and a medical jeep to seven seriously wounded men in need of immediate evacuation. The heroic leadership and conspicuous disregard for personal safety displayed by First Lieutenant INGERSOLL during hazardous combat operations reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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

I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 60045, as amended, and Memorandum No. 14, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

PETER J. MATSOPULOS, 39529560, Private First Class, INF, Company I, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private First Class MATSOPULOS and several comrades, sleeping in a Fraulautern basement, were surprised by a stealthy German patrol which threw two concussion-type grenades into the room. The explosion of the first grenade injured four men. When the second was dropped through the window, Private First Class MATSOPULOS quickly seized his steel helmet and held it over the grenade to minimize the concussion. Although he was severely wounded when the grenade exploded, Private First Class MATSOPULOS, by his valiant action, prevented further injury to his comrades who were then able to rout the enemy patrol. The conspicuous gallantry of Private First Class MATSOPULOS reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JACOB BERGER, 01063096, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Time after time while Company G was engaged in almost continuous assaults, Second Lieutenant BERGER, a platoon leader, displayed exceptional courage in the face of murderous enemy fire. On one occasion, when the Company's route of advance passed through an area covered by pitiless concentrations of artillery, machine gun and sniper fire, he made six trips across the dangerous terrain, personally leading each squad quickly through the maze of shell craters and rubble heaps, Second Lieutenant BERGER was able to guide all of his men through the vicious enemy fire without a casualty. Second Lieutenant BERGER'S inspiring gallantry and combat skill reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

ERNEST H. KRUSE, 37128917, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Company B, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When the Infantry advance in Ensdorf was stopped by fire from two enemy pillboxes, Technician Fifth Grade KRUSE volunteered to attempt to destroy one of the obstacles. Unarmed except for hand grenades and carrying a beehive charge, he succeeded in reaching the pillbox although drawing heavy machine gun and rifle fire from the other bunker. The charge Technician Fifth Grade KRUSE placed failed to detonate. Undaunted, he recrossed the open terrain, obtained another charge and fuse and then dashed back to the pillbox. This time, he successfully detonated both charges, demolishing the door and killing

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two Germans. In addition seven enemy troops surrendered. Technician Fifth Grade KRUSE'S fearless and determined courage under enemy fire reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

II. 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:

RICHARD W. HOWARD, 01251973, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Captain HOWARD, commanding Company F, consistently demonstrated superior leadership and high personal courage during bitter house to house fighting throughout this period. When confronted on one occasion with a mission of taking a group of pillboxes overlooking the south entrance to Saarlautern-Roden, Captain HOWARD explained the situation quickly and concisely to his under strength company. Then moving in a frontal assault on the fortifications through grazing, interlocking machine gun fire, Captain HOWARD and his men advanced aggressively until three pillboxes and one hundred and forty-nine Germans were captured. Captain HOWARD'S superb leadership and fearless devotion to duty, inspiring his men to high combat pitch during this period, reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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:

MIGUEL B. ABITIA, 39136832, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private First Class ABITIA and one other soldier evacuated two casualties from a heavily mined street in Fraulautern under scathing machine gun fire. In the treacherous street, sewn with snow-covered mines, a German machine gun searched for Private First Class ABITIA from a distance of one hundred and fifty yards but failed to deter him from performing his self-imposed, perilous duty. Private First Class ABITIA'S heroic act made possible the saving of two lives, reflecting great credit on him and exemplifying the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from California.

EARL E. ROHRER, 35128345, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 10 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Technician Fourth Grade ROHRER and one other soldier evacuated two casualties from a heavily mined street in Fraulautern under scathing machine gun fire. In the treacherous street, sewn with snow-covered mines, a German machine gun searched for Technician Fourth Grade ROHRER from a distance of one hundred and fifty yards but failed to deter him from performing his self-imposed, perilous duty. Technician Fourth Grade ROHRER'S heroic act made possible the saving of two lives, reflecting great credit on him and exemplifying the high traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

RAY A. NOSTRANT, 36452198, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Karlshoff Farms, Germany. When his unit withdrew to a more favorable position Private First Class NOSTRANT remained at an outpost under heavy enemy shelling and fired his mortar with great accuracy at counter-attacking hostile forces. Even after his Squad Leader, the assistant gunner and an ammunition bearer had become casualties Private First Class NOSTRANT stayed at his post between the assaulting enemy troops and his own unit. Private First Class NOSTRANT'S bravely-delivered mortar fire was especially effective in pinning down German artillery observers and thus reducing the accuracy of hostile shelling as his comrades consolidated their new defensive position. Private First Class NOSTRANT'S courage and his intrepid combat skill reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

MAYNARD L. GILLEN, 35332988, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. While laying wire to a platoon outpost under continuous hostile machine gun and sniper fire, Private First Class GILLEN, caught in a burst of machine gun fire, was wounded painfully in the arm. Refusing to be evacuated until the line was completed, he continued working at his task until the objective was reached. Private First Class GILLEN'S heroic devotion to duty, inspiring to all who witnessed his determined performance, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

GEORGE ANDERSON, 35362838, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Technical Sergeant ANDERSON, by his initiative, resourcefulness and sound knowledge of tactics, conspicuously aided his platoon in accomplishing its missions throughout a period of bitter house to house fighting. After his platoon leader was wounded, he unhesitatingly assumed command and quickly reorganized the platoon, although all three squad leaders were also casualties. Welding the group into a compact striking force, Technical Sergeant ANDERSON led the platoon with conspicuous success during the attacks on Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden. The aggressive combat skill and unflinching devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant ANDERSON reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

WILLIAM N. KARS, 36356764, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Guiding supply parties across the Saar River bridge to the First Battalion holding the north end, Private First Class KARS was hit by shrapnel from a bursting shell during one crossing. Refusing medical treatment, he continued determinedly at his assigned task, undeterred by the severe enemy artillery and mortar fire falling about him. Private First Class KARS' courageous devotion to duty, aiding materially in the quick and efficient delivery of essential supplies to the First Battalion, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ALFRED P. RICCI, 01301368, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. During the period 2 December 1944 to 17 December 1944 Captain RICCI led Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, in continually offensive actions against the enemy at Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden. The aggressive and staunch leadership given by Captain RICCI throughout this period enabled Company G to reach its objectives promptly in spite of strong enemy resistance. Ground won by Captain RICCI'S command made possible the success of the Second Battalion's operations during this period. Captain RICCI'S fearless combat skill reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

JAMES M. CONDRAN, 36270216, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. In brave, voluntary action at Saarlautern Private First Class CONDRAN guided three patrols across terrain pounded by enemy shelling in order to contact two companies nearly isolated by hostile forces. Private First Class CONDRAN'S three trips aided materially in installing lines of communication to the imperiled friendly troops and in supplying them with ammunition so that they might stay in battle. The heroic devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class CONDRAN reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

RICHARD L. TAYLOR, 35618540, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 4 December 1944 to 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Although painfully injured by concussion from an artillery shell exploding nearby, Private TAYLOR, refusing to report to the aid station for treatment and possible evacuation, remained with his comrades, giving medical aid. Crawling at times for several hundred yards under severe enemy shelling to render medical treatment, he heroically ignored his own injury until, after five days, he was relieved. Upon examination by a medical officer, Private TAYLOR was immediately evacuated for treatment. Private TAYLOR'S fearless and determined devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

ARTHUR F. HEGEMAN, 36248733, Technician Fifth Grade, Ord Dept, ****Ordnance (LM) Company, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Dalstein, France. When an organizational vehicle burst into flame after strafing by enemy aircraft, Technician Fifth Grade HEGEMAN dashed into the burning truck to extinguish the blaze. Although risking his life in entering the vehicle laden with violently exploding grenades, rockets and small arms ammunition, Technician Fifth Grade HEGEMAN succeeded in extinguishing the flames, saving the truck from total loss. The high personal courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade HEGEMAN in performing this daring service reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CLINTON C. BUMSTEAD, 36185025, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private), Ord Dept, ****Ordnance (LM) Company, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Dalstein, France. When an organizational vehicle burst into flame after strafing by enemy aircraft,

Technician Fifth Grade BUMSTEAD dashed into the burning truck to extinguish the blaze. Although risking his life in entering the vehicle laden with violently exploding grenades, rockets and small arms ammunition, Technician Fifth Grade BUMSTEAD succeeded in extinguishing the flames, saving the truck from total loss. The high personal courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade BUMSTEAD in performing this daring service reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

X JAMES M. JORDAN, W2108610, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from California.

X JOHN A. BARBERA JR, 35684164, Corporal, FA, Battery 4, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 19 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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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:

WAYNE M. WAYMAN, 39905371, Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When a numerically superior German force counter-attacked the buildings occupied by Sergeant WAYMAN'S Company, heavy machine gun and automatic weapons fire was directed on the room occupied by Sergeant WAYMAN and his squad. Standing in a window, completely exposed to intense machine gun fire, Sergeant WAYMAN threw several accurately delivered grenades at the approaching Germans, killing five of them. Although he was momentarily stunned when a rocket exploded nearby, he quickly resumed his place and continued throwing grenades with such telling effect that the counter-attack was routed. Sergeant WAYMAN was killed in action on 12 December 1944 in Germany. Sergeant WAYMAN'S valiant devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Utah.

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:

ROY E. SAMP, 37490039, Private, OE, Company G, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private SAMP'S squad was assigned the mission of checking for enemy mines hindering the Infantry's advance toward strong hostile fortifications. Although he realized that slow, painstaking probing would mean complete exposure to searching sniper fire, Private SAMP unhesitatingly left his covered position to begin operating the mine detector. While engaged in his work, Private SAMP was mortally wounded by a sniper's bullet. Private SAMP'S heroic devotion to duty, inspiring his comrades to complete the dangerous mission successfully, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

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:

HENRY E. HENSON, 34388535, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF,

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Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Advancing with his squad across a large open field under direct enemy mortar, eighty-eight millimeter and machine gun fire, Sergeant HENSON immediately assumed command when his squad leader was wounded. Maneuvering his squad cleverly toward its objective, a large farm on the outskirts of Bertrange, Sergeant HENSON and his men, one hour later, succeeded in taking the farm and capturing ten prisoners. Sergeant HENSON'S skilled leadership and courageous initiative, resulting in the liberation of friendly troops held prisoner on the farm and facilitating the Battalion advance into the town, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

JOSEPH W. HOLLAND, 35485735, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After crossing a canal on the outskirts of Metz, Sergeant HOLLAND observed that the Rifle Platoon his light machine gun section was supporting was pinned down by withering small arms fire from a neighboring building. Seizing a machine gun, he rushed forward, firing his weapon furiously as he advanced. The enemy's fire was effectively neutralized by Sergeant HOLLAND'S bold action enabling the Platoon to move forward and occupy prepared positions. Sergeant HOLLAND'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

EVELETTE R. RHODES, 35437921, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wastdorf, Germany. Upon hearing that the bodies of three comrades, killed by enemy fire, had not been recovered, Technician Fifth Grade RHODES volunteered to search for them on the Saar River bank. Conducting an exhausting search under the violent artillery and mortar fire continuously pounding the area, he finally succeeded in locating the dead men and personally carried them across the river to the collecting point. Technician Fifth Grade RHODES' courageous and determined action on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

HARRY R. ROJAN, 39381495, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN, hauling ammunition and supplies to the First Battalion in Saarlautern-Roden, drove eight hundred yards across the Saar River bridge and over terrain being subjected to severe artillery and mortar shelling to his destination. Arriving at the distribution point, Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN assisted in unloading the truck's cargo under a fearful barrage during which two men working with him were wounded. Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN then drove his truck back across the river through the still-intense enemy fire. The determined, fearless devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Idaho.

EDWARD G. BONSCONI, 31410899, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant BONSCONI and his squad, attacking a German

pillbox delivering fierce machine gun fire, were forced to advance over open terrain completely devoid of protection. As the squad began its advance, Staff Sergeant PONOSCONI moved slightly to one flank where he had a clear field of fire although he himself was an excellent target for enemy bullets. Dropping to one knee to steady his rifle, he began firing so accurately at the pillbox gun embrasure that the enemy was forced to close it and cease firing, enabling the squad to advance over the open field without a casualty. Staff Sergeant PONOSCONI'S high courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

JOHN R. CHITTENDEN, 17058462, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN, a squad leader advancing with his men, observed enemy tanks occupying positions from which devastating fire could be delivered into the platoon area. Quickly deploying his men, Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN and the squad delivered such furious fire that the enemy tanks, leaving eight wounded Germans behind, were forced to withdraw. In the engagement Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN was wounded but not until he had himself personally accounted for several of the enemy soldiers. Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN'S courageous leadership and coolness under fire reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

HENRY K. BORRY, 13091089, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Returning to his company area after having received medical treatment at an aid station, Private First Class BORRY found none of his comrades present. Ascertaining that the Company was occupying bunkers near Fort Jeanne D'Arc and short of supplies, he organized a carrying party of seven stragglers. Carrying water and food, Private First Class BORRY and his group made their way for one thousand yards through shell craters, mined areas and terrain infested with roving enemy patrols until they reached their destination. Private First Class BORRY'S initiative and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

PAUL B. STEINFELD, 42066250, Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On guard with another soldier, Sergeant STEINFELD hastily prepared to meet a German tank he heard approaching with bazooka fire. When the tank appeared fifty feet away he scored a direct hit with his first shot. Sergeant STEINFELD'S second and third volleys were also perfectly aimed, crippling the tank but not putting it completely out of action. The tank began withdrawing, but in its retreat fired at point blank range on the house occupied by Sergeant STEINFELD, wounding him. Sergeant STEINFELD'S heroic devotion to duty in repelling this powerful threat to his company reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ROBERT B. CRAWFORD JR, 33379254, Corporal, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. During an intense counter battery barrage, a fire mission was received by the Battery of which Corporal CRAWFORD was serving as Recorder. When severing of

telephone wires made it impossible to call the commands from the Executive Post to the guns, Corporal CRAWFORD immediately rushed out to repair the lines. Working constantly under fearful enemy shelling, he successfully re-established communications, although at one point he was thrown violently to the ground by concussion. Corporal CRAWFORD'S intrepid performance, aiding materially in the successful execution of the Battery's mission, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

NYEL G. ANDEREGG, 36249465, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 November 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France and Germany. As Senior Corporal with the forward observer party, Corporal ANDEREGG'S fearless and unflinching service under artillery, mortar and small arms fire was of invaluable aid in directing accurate artillery fire on the enemy. On many occasions during the absence of the forward observer, he personally directed fire missions with great technical skill and tactical competence. Corporal ANDEREGG'S courageous actions and determined devotion to duty, materially aiding in giving continuous artillery support to infantry elements, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

VLADIMIR M. NOSAN, 37286221, Technician Fourth Grade, OE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When withdrawal from two isolated, directly exposed pillboxes was indicated, Technician Fourth Grade NOSAN and another soldier undertook to demolish them. Covered by four riflemen's fire, the two men made two trips to the forward, more exposed pillbox, packed heavy charges and destroyed the bunker. Still working under direct enemy observation and fire, Technician Fourth Grade NOSAN and his comrade emplaced four hundred pounds of explosives and demolished the second pillbox. Technician Fourth Grade NOSAN'S heroic action under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JAMES R. RONEK, 36249581, Sergeant, OE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When withdrawal from two isolated, directly exposed pillboxes was indicated, Sergeant RONEK and another soldier undertook to demolish them. Covered by four riflemen's fire, the two men made two trips to the forward, more exposed pillbox, packed heavy charges and destroyed the bunker. Still working under direct enemy observation and fire, Sergeant RONEK and his comrade emplaced four hundred pounds of explosives and demolished the second pillbox. Sergeant RONEK'S heroic action under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

COY A. FLOTA, 36062685, Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

AUGUST K. BOTT JR, 01594597, Captain, GIC, 95th Counter-Intelligence Corps Detachment, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

J. LES C. CASTLE, 01019200, Second Lieutenant, INF, 95th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, (attached this Headquarters); for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Hawaii.

BURL W. OLSON, 36246804, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF AIR 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 Air Medal is awarded to the following:


WALTER A. ARGAND, 31252512, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Connecticut.

WILLIS F. WRIGHT, 35303355, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

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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:

WAYNE M. WAYMAN, 39905371, Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When a numerically superior German force counter-attacked the buildings occupied by Sergeant WAYMAN'S Company, heavy machine gun and automatic weapons fire was directed on the room occupied by Sergeant WAYMAN and his squad. Standing in a window, completely exposed to intense machine gun fire, Sergeant WAYMAN threw several accurately delivered grenades at the approaching Germans, killing five of them. Although he was momentarily stunned when a rocket exploded nearby, he quickly resumed his place and continued throwing grenades with such telling effect that the counter-attack was routed. Sergeant WAYMAN was killed in action on 12 December 1944 in Germany. Sergeant WAYMAN'S valiant devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Utah.

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:

ROY E. SAMP, 37490039, Private, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private SAMP'S squad was assigned the mission of checking for enemy mines hindering the Infantry'S advance toward strong hostile fortifications. Although he realized that slow, painstaking probing would mean complete exposure to searching sniper fire, Private SAMP unhesitatingly left his covered position to begin operating the mine detector. While engaged in his work, Private SAMP was mortally wounded by a sniper'S bullet. Private SAMP'S heroic devotion to duty, inspiring his comrades to complete the dangerous mission successfully, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

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:

HENRY E. HENSON, 34388535, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF,

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Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Advancing with his squad across a large open field under direct enemy mortar, eighty-eight millimeter and machine gun fire, Sergeant HENSON immediately assumed command when his squad leader was wounded. Maneuvering his squad cleverly toward its objective, a large farm on the outskirts of Bertrange, Sergeant HENSON and his men, one hour later, succeeded in taking the farm and capturing ten prisoners. Sergeant HENSON'S skilled leadership and courageous initiative, resulting in the liberation of twenty-two held prisoners on the farm and facilitating the Battalion advance into the town, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

JOSEPH W. HOLLAND, 3545735, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After crossing a canal on the outskirts of Metz, Sergeant HOLLAND observed that the rifle platoon his light machine gun section was supporting was pinned down by withering small arms fire from a neighboring building. Seizing a machine gun, he rushed forward, firing his weapon furiously as he advanced. The enemy's fire was effectively neutralized by Sergeant HOLLAND'S bold action, enabling the platoon to move forward and occupy protected positions. Sergeant HOLLAND'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

EVERETTE R. RHODES, 35437921, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Upon hearing that the bodies of three comrades, killed by enemy fire, had not been recovered, Technician Fifth Grade RHODES volunteered to search for them on the Saar River bank. Conducting an exhausting search under the violent artillery and mortar fire continuously pounding the area, he finally succeeded in locating the dead men and personally carried them across the river to the collecting point. Technician Fifth Grade RHODES' courageous and determined action on his occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

HARRY R. ROJAN, 39381495, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN, hauling ammunition and supplies to the First Battalion in Saarlautern-Roden, drove eight hundred yards across the Saar River bridge and over terrain being subjected to severe artillery and mortar shelling to his destination. Arriving at the distribution point, Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN assisted in unloading the truck's cargo under a fearful barrage during which two men working with him were wounded. Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN then drove his truck back across the river through the still-intense enemy fire. The determined, fearless devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade ROJAN reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Idaho.

EDWARD G. BONOSCONI, 31410399, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant BONOSCONI and his squad, attacking a German

pillbox delivering fierce machine gun fire, were forced to advance over open terrain completely devoid of protection. As the squad began its advance, Staff Sergeant BONOSCONI moved slightly to one flank where he had a clear field of fire although he himself was an excellent target for enemy bullets. Dropping to one knee to steady his rifle, he began firing so accurately at the pillbox gun embrasure that the enemy was forced to close it and cease firing, enabling the squad to advance over the open field without a casualty. Staff Sergeant BONOSCONI'S high courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

JOHN R. CHITTENDEN, 17058462, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN, a squad leader advancing with his men, observed enemy tanks occupying positions from which devastating fire could be delivered into the platoon area. Quickly deploying his men, Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN and the squad delivered such furious fire that the enemy tanks, leaving eight wounded Germans behind, were forced to withdraw. In the engagement Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN was wounded but not until he had himself personally accounted for several of the enemy soldiers. Staff Sergeant CHITTENDEN'S courageous leadership and coolness under fire reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

HENRY K. BERRY, 13091089, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Returning to his company area after having received medical treatment at an aid station, Private First Class BERRY found none of his comrades present. Ascertaining that the Company was occupying bunkers near Fort Jeanne D'Arc and short of supplies, he organized a carrying party of seven stragglers. Carrying water and food, Private First Class BERRY and his group made their way for one thousand yards through shell craters, mined areas and terrain infested with roving enemy patrols until they reached their destination. Private First Class BERRY'S initiative and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

PAUL B. STEINFELD, 42066250, Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On guard with another soldier, Sergeant STEINFELD hastily prepared to meet a German tank he heard approaching with bazooka fire. When the tank appeared fifty feet away he scored a direct hit with his first shot. Sergeant STEINFELD'S second and third volleys were also perfectly aimed, crippling the tank but not putting it completely out of action. The tank began withdrawing, but in its retreat fired at point blank range on the house occupied by Sergeant STEINFELD, wounding him. Sergeant STEINFELD'S heroic devotion to duty in repelling this powerful threat to his Company reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ROBERT B. CRAWFORD JR., 33379254, Corporal, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. During an intense counter battery barrage, a fire mission was received by the battery of which Corporal CRAWFORD was serving as Recorder. When severing of

telephone wires made it impossible to call the commands from the Executive Post to the guns, Corporal CRAWFORD immediately rushed out to repair the lines. Working constantly under fearful enemy shelling, he successfully re-established communications, although at one point he was thrown violently to the ground by concussion. Corporal CRAWFORD'S intrepid performance, aiding materially in the successful execution of the Battery's mission, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

NYEL G. ANDEREGG, 36249445, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 November 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France and Germany. As Squad Corporal with the forward observer party, Corporal ANDEREGG'S fearless and untiring service under artillery, mortar and small arms fire was of invaluable aid in directing accurate artillery fire on the enemy. On many occasions during the absence of the forward observer, he personally directed fire missions with great technical skill and tactical competence. Corporal ANDEREGG'S courageous actions and determined devotion to duty, materially aiding in giving continuous artillery support to infantry elements, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

VLADIMIR M. NOSAN, 37286221, Technician Fourth Grade, CE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. When withdrawal from two isolated, directly exposed pillboxes was indicated, Technician Fourth Grade NOSAN and another soldier undertook to demolish them. Covered by four riflemen's fire, the two men made two trips to the forward, more exposed pillbox, packed heavy charges and destroyed the bunker. Still working under direct enemy observation and fire, Technician Fourth Grade NOSAN and his comrade emplaced four hundred pounds of explosives and demolished the second pillbox. Technician Fourth Grade NOSAN'S heroic action under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JAMES R. RONEK, 36249581, Sergeant, CE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. When withdrawal from two isolated, directly exposed pillboxes was indicated, Sergeant RONEK and another soldier undertook to demolish them. Covered by four riflemen's fire, the two men made two trips to the forward, more exposed pillbox, packed heavy charges and destroyed the bunker. Still working under direct enemy observation and fire, Sergeant RONEK and his comrade emplaced four hundred pounds of explosives and demolished the second pillbox. Sergeant RONEK'S heroic action under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

COY A. FLOTA, 36062685, Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 25 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Searlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

AUGUST K. FLETCHER JR, 01594597, Captain, GIC, 95th Counter-Intelligence Corps Detachment, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

JAMES C. CASTLE, 01019200, Second Lieutenant, INF, 95th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Hawaii.

BURL W. OLSON, 36246804, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF AIR 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 Air Medal is awarded to the following:


WALTER A. ARCAND, 31252512, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Connecticut.

WILLIS F. WRIGHT, 35303355, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
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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 Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ JOHN H. TISCHER, 36248782, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 January 1945, in the vicinity of Wadgassen, Germany. When Technical Sergeant TISCHER'S Platoon was withdrawing from outpost duty due to extensive enemy counter-attacks in the vicinity, the entire group was forced by scathing machine gun fire to halt and seek cover. A platoon vehicle, loaded with ammunition and weapons, was abandoned by its driver in a position exposed to direct observation and fire. Technical Sergeant TISCHER, undertaking to save the truck, dashed out into the open, fire-swept place and maneuvered the vehicle to a safe position. Technical Sergeant TISCHER'S courageous initiative at the risk of his life in saving a vehicle laden with equipment sorely needed by his Platoon reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ WILLIAM PIN, 39003695, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort D'illange, France. In the attack on Fort D'illange, two platoons of Company E were pinned down by furious enemy fire. Technical Sergeant PIN moved around the left flank through the wood in order to draw fire away from the menaced platoons. His maneuver, succeeding brilliantly, permitted the men to withdraw to a covered position. Then seeing several wounded men left behind when the platoons withdrew, Technical Sergeant PIN led a successful counter-attack in which all the casualties were carried to safety. The skilful, courageous leadership displayed by Technical Sergeant PIN under enemy fire reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

✓ ROBERT C. LAHRMAN, 15335907, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ebsdorf, Germany. When Company G's advance was held up by fire from a machine gun and two bazooka teams, Staff Sergeant LAHRMAN removed his Observation Post to a building completely exposed to enemy fire from which to direct accurate mortar shelling. For thirty minutes he intrepidly directed mortar fire against the enemy-occupied building, during which time, three bazooka rounds struck the room in which he was located. Finally, observing the hostile gunners through the shattered walls of the emplacement, Staff Sergeant LAHRMAN guided his squad's efforts with such accuracy that the machine gun and its crew were destroyed and the bazooka teams routed. Staff

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Sergeant LAHRMAN'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROY W. RAVAGNIE, 36357005, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Supporting Company C during its attack on fortified positions east of Gravelotte, Staff Sergeant RAVAGNIE led his mortar squad so skilfully that the squad in accomplishing its mission suffered no casualties. On one occasion when three bypassed German soldiers were subjecting the group to searching small arms fire, Staff Sergeant RAVAGNIE, using machine fire, boldly and aggressively advanced and forced them to surrender. The brilliant leadership and courageous devotion to duty demonstrated by Staff Sergeant RAVAGNIE while insuring attacking infantry elements essential close mortar support reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

PAUL F. WHITE, 36785821, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Volunteering to serve on a litter squad needed to evacuate a casualty in a forward area, Technician Fifth Grade WHITE, a medical technician, was fully aware that the route over which the group was to travel was being heavily shelled by enemy artillery. Making the hazardous trip successfully, the squad placed the casualty in a jeep. Returning to the aid station, Technician Fifth Grade WHITE stood up throughout the entire journey, holding the wounded man securely on the litter while artillery shells burst all about the slow-moving vehicle. Technician Fifth Grade WHITE'S selfless devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

CASMER P. LIPSKE, 36249647, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. In order to most quickly evacuate a wounded soldier from a rifle company area Private First Class LIPSKE risked his life to drive a jeep over an unfamiliar, heavily shelled road from the Second Battalion Aid Station to the side of the casualty. Private First Class LIPSKE'S voluntary and courageous act resulted in prompt medical treatment being administered to the wounded man, reflecting great credit on Private First Class LIPSKE and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JAMES A. LAING, 37208596, Corporal, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. With courageous disregard for enemy shells falling in the immediate area Corporal LAING personally engaged in unloading ammunition and other needed supplies from trucks which had crossed the newly captured bridge at Saarlautern. Corporal LAING'S resolute performance of duty under fire resulted in the supplies from incoming trucks being made available at once to troops holding our bridgehead. His fearless conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

KARL M. WEINGARTEN, 33176633, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saar-

lautern-Roden, Germany. With courageous disregard for enemy shells falling in the immediate area Technician Fifth Grade WEINGARTEN persevered in unloading ammunition and other needed supplies from trucks which had crossed the newly captured bridge at Saarlautern. Technician Fifth Grade WEINGARTEN'S resolute performance of duty under fire resulted in the supplies from incoming trucks being made available at once to troops holding our bridgehead. His fearless conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ CHARLES H. YUNKARI, 36184809, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. With courageous disregard for enemy shells falling in the immediate area Technical Sergeant YUNKARI persevered in unloading ammunition and other needed supplies from trucks which had crossed the newly captured bridge at Saarlautern. Technical Sergeant YUNKARI'S resolute performance of duty under fire resulted in the supplies from incoming trucks being made available at once to troops holding our bridgehead. His fearless conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ JOHN J. BUNK, 36248069, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Under mortar and artillery shelling Technician Fifth Grade BUNK drove supplies needed at the hard-won bridgehead across the Saarlautern bridge. He then participated in unloading the trucks during a fifteen minute mortar barrage which inflicted two casualties among the unloading detail. Technician Fifth Grade BUNK'S resolute devotion to duty contributed materially to the supplying of troops holding the important bridgehead. His courageous conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ THEODORE L. KOHLER, 35087063, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In the battles for Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden Sergeant KOHLER repeatedly distinguished himself by his intrepid action under fire. In the attack by Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, on a strongly-held brick yard at Saarlautern-Roden the assaulting platoons ran low on ammunition. In order to insure the continuance of the attack Sergeant KOHLER moved under sniper and mortar fire to a supply point and returned with ammunition for the assaulting elements. His courageous feat enabled the assault to be pressed home and was typical of his conduct throughout this period of operations. Sergeant KOHLER'S fearless conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio. ~~X~~

✓ WILLIAM J. RIPLEY, 3624463, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 November 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ HARRY L. SHERWOOD, 36248083, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military oper-

ations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944 and 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ WANE H. CARTER JR., 0532458, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company E, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Thionville, France and Uberherrn, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ HARRY V. DRUSHEL, 33698569, Private First Class, INF, Company K, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ JACK HERSHBERG, 32965245, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort D'illange, France. Entered military service from New York.

II. 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:

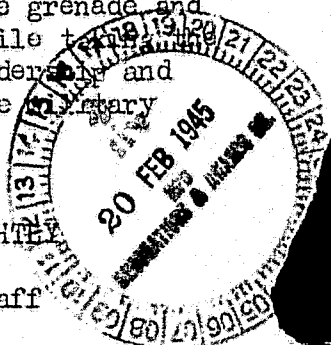
✓ DOUGLAS F. JONES, 35389073, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Supporting a rifle platoon which had reached the Company objective, enemy positions east of the railroad, before the remaining platoons, Technical Sergeant JONES observed fifty Germans moving toward buildings from which they could deliver fire on the balance of the Company. Moving his machine gun section to meet the threat, Technical Sergeant JONES and his men, in fierce grenade and hand to hand fighting, killed sixteen Germans and wounded seven while ten menaced buildings. Technical Sergeant JONES' bold, aggressive leadership and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the Infantry service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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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:

ARTHUR H. BARSEMA, 36302956, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Assisted by a bazooka man Staff Sergeant BARSEMA attacked a dugout defended by six German soldiers. When bazooka fire routed the hostile garrison Staff Sergeant BARSEMA killed four in flight with his rifle. Then he rushed the dugout to capture the two survivors. From the dugout Staff Sergeant BARSEMA observed enemy troops preparing a defensive position. He returned to his Squad and directed mortar fire whose stunning accuracy pinned down the enemy force, greatly facilitating the prompt capture of the squad's objective. In this bitter fighting Staff Sergeant BARSEMA was wounded fatally by a sniper. The fearless devotion to duty and staunch leadership given by Staff Sergeant BARSEMA reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

DONALD B. CONKRITE, 36357595, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. After advancing relentlessly under heavy mortar and machine gun fire to the crest of an enemy-held hill, Staff Sergeant CONKRITE'S platoon suddenly met withering fire from three newly-employed machine guns. The platoon sought cover. Realizing that searching mortar fire imperiled his men, and determined to press the assault in spite of the terrible machine gun fire, Staff Sergeant CONKRITE advanced fixing his rifle on the nearest enemy gun. With cold patience Staff Sergeant CONKRITE killed six German soldiers. His comrades inspired by this heroic aggressiveness plunged forward without orders, stormed the hostile machine gun positions and in fierce fighting killed or wounded all members of the three crews. Staff Sergeant CONKRITE'S staunch leadership, fearless initiative and great personal courage have brought lasting honor upon him. Entered military service from Illinois.

II. AWARD, MISSING IN ACTION, 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:

STANLEY B. KAMINSKI, 33065652, Private, CE, Company G, ****Engineer

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Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to attempt to destroy a menacing, strongly-held Fraulautern pillbox, Private KAMINSKI, accompanied by four riflemen for fire cover, dashed toward the fortification under a hail of enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. While placing a heavy beehive charge against the pillbox, Private KAMINSKI was shot when enemy soldiers opened the door and apprehended him. His four comrades were forced to withdraw without recovering his body. Private KAMINSKI'S valorous devotion to duty, inspiring those who witnessed his heroic action to make a later, successful assault on the powerful bunker, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES B. MORLAND, 38236470, Private First Class, CE, Company C, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to attempt to destroy a menacing, stubbornly-held Fraulautern pillbox, Private First Class MORLAND, accompanied by six riflemen for fire cover, dashed to the fortification under violent enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Boldly placing a beehive charge inside the gun embrasure, he pulled the fuse igniter and ran for cover. Detonation was prevented, however, when an alert German pulled the burning fuse from the charge. Private First Class MORLAND was struck by enemy fire while running for safety. His comrades were unable to recover his body. Private First Class MORLAND'S valorous action, inspiring a later, successful assault on the pillbox reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

III. AWARD, ELISING IN ACTION, 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:

DONALD B. SCHNABEL, 15306734, Corporal, CE, Company C, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to attempt to destroy a menacing, strongly-held Fraulautern pillbox, Corporal SCHNABEL, accompanied by four riflemen for fire cover, dashed toward the fortification under a hail of enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. While placing a heavy beehive charge against the pillbox, Corporal SCHNABEL was shot when enemy soldiers opened the door and apprehended him. His four comrades were forced to withdraw without recovering his body. Corporal SCHNABEL'S valorous devotion to duty, inspiring those who witnessed his heroic action to make a later, successful assault on the powerful bunker, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

IV. 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:

HENRY H. MORGAN, 34083679, Private First Class, CE, Company C, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to attempt to destroy a menacing, stubbornly-held Fraulautern pillbox, Private First Class MORGAN dashed toward the pillbox door through violent enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Accompanied by six riflemen for fire cover, he succeeded in reaching the

pillbox safely. After boldly holding a beehive charge in his arms for ten seconds after pulling the fuse igniter, Private First Class MORGAN threw it against the door and hastily sought protection. The explosion, blowing in the pillbox door, killed five Germans inside the bunker, wounded two and dazed four others, who were immediately captured. Private First Class MORGAN'S valorous action and dauntless determination reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

ROBERT D. HECKER, 02006464, Second Lieutenant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Merton, France. Assuming command of Company C after all its officers had become casualties, Second Lieutenant HECKER resolutely reorganized the group and led a skillful withdrawal from a position rendered untenable by the enemy's terrific artillery, mortar and machine gun fire. Quickly transforming chaos into ordered withdrawal, Second Lieutenant HECKER supervised the evacuation of casualties and made careful preparations for the next morning's attack. In this assault, Second Lieutenant HECKER led his men successfully forward to take the Company's objective with a minimum of loss. The gallant leadership, initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Second Lieutenant HECKER under enemy fire reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

ORVAL E. PALMER, 16039723, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ban St. Martin, France. Observing enemy troops, equipped with automatic weapons, occupying positions on the Third Battalion's right flank with the evident purpose of counter-attacking, Technical Sergeant PALMER directed mortar fire against the sector. Then securing tank support to dislodge the enemy concentration, he covered the tank advance with accurate, timely small arms fire. Technical Sergeant PALMER, wounded in the action by shrapnel, refused to be evacuated except under direct order. Technical Sergeant PALMER'S staunch combat skill, superior leadership and quick action in forestalling an enemy counter-attack reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

V. 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:

WILLIAM M. OLIVER, 16177143, Private, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on the Kasino, Private OLIVER'S squad was forced by German bazooka fire to seek protection in a small house nearby. Boldly leaving his covered position, Private OLIVER ran across open terrain under merciless machine gun fire into the besieged building. Working his way from room to room, he surprised the enemy bazooka team and destroyed it with rifle fire. Private OLIVER was killed in action on 1 December 1944 in Germany. The heroic, selfless devotion to duty displayed by Private OLIVER reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

VI. 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:

ROBERT A. SEIBERT, 35333088, Private First Class, INF, Company L, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Private First Class SEIBERT, although wounded by enemy machine gun fire while crossing the Saar River, continued carrying a sixty-millimeter mortar for eight hundred yards into Ensdorf. Realizing that the mortar would add valuable fire power to his Company's assault, Private First Class SEIBERT forced himself, despite his painful wound, to move across the large, fire-swept field until he had completed his mission. Private First Class SEIBERT'S heroic and unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

FRED D. MC LOUGHLIN, 36981240, Private First Class, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany, when Company L's lines were penetrated by enemy troops in force, Private First Class MC LOUGHLIN'S Platoon was ordered to aid in attempts to smother the infiltration. Advancing to within thirty yards of the enemy, Private First Class MC LOUGHLIN set up his automatic rifle in a building being riddled by machine gun bullets. While hostile bazooka rounds exploded near him, he fired over one thousand rounds into the enemy positions, neutralizing them sufficiently to permit attacking elements to advance. Private First Class MC LOUGHLIN'S fearless, determined action against the combined efforts of twenty Germans manning three machine guns and three bazookas reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

NORMAN E. RAIN, 37074842, First Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota.

RAY V. WATKINS, 38020165, Technical Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

~~EDWARD H.~~ *Name Ament by Go # 41- Feb. 13, 1945*
*BERNARD J. RUSZKOWSKI, 36357133, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT W. ODELL, 39024983, Master Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, **** Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from California.

WILLIAM T. ROBERTS, 01297949, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Entered military service from Texas.

LUTHER ZAHNER, 36248045, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

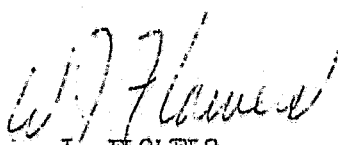
HENRY P. WEISS, C383507, Captain, IGD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 October 1944 to 1 February 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HOWARD Z. BEAUS, 13105518, Corporal, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 26 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from the District of Columbia.

By command of Major General TRIDDLE:

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SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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:

HOWARD J. LINDEMAN, 37575686, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant LINDEMAN machine-gunned a counter-attacking German force, killing nine of the enemy, and wounding five. He then ran forward fifty yards under heavy German fire to grenade a bazooka team, killing two enemy soldiers, and wounding another. Later Staff Sergeant LINDEMAN on his own initiative led a squad in search of an enemy patrol which had infiltrated to the rear. In this aggressive action Staff Sergeant LINDEMAN was mortally wounded. The heroic combat skill and courageous devotion to duty displayed so consistently by Staff Sergeant LINDEMAN reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

WILLIAM E. CAMPBELL, 35464420, Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. After killing an enemy soldier observed attempting to place a demolition charge near the building occupied by his machine gun squad, Sergeant CAMPBELL alerted the squad and ran upstairs to a machine gun position. Opening fire immediately on an enemy flanking patrol, he forced the patrol to flee after killing three soldiers and wounding two. In a second hostile attack, Sergeant CAMPBELL was seriously wounded by an exploding bazooka shell. Heroically remaining at his post, Sergeant CAMPBELL directed his squad's grenade throwing so effectively that four Germans were killed, seven wounded and the attack completely routed. Sergeant CAMPBELL died of wounds on 30 January 1945 in Germany. Sergeant CAMPBELL'S determined, courageous devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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:

ERNEST G. LINK, 16153334, Sergeant (Then Private), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Carrying a bazooka and accompanied by one companion, Sergeant LINK advanced over exposed terrain toward an enemy machine gun emplacement, fire from which was harassing his squad. Although wounded twice when his position was subjected to heavy machine gun and sniper fire, Sergeant LINK

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continued firing resolutely until the machine gun and its crew were destroyed. Then turning on the persistent sniper, Sergeant LINK quickly sought out his position and destroyed him with effective bazooka fire. Sergeant LINK'S gallant determination and great personal courage reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GEORGE L. STEFFEL JR, 15302079, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After placing demolition charges on an enemy pillbox in spite of fierce enemy fire, Sergeant STEFFEL and a comrade were running for safety when Sergeant STEFFEL'S associate was severely wounded by machine gun bullets. Disregarding the grave hazard to himself, Sergeant STEFFEL carried his companion for twelve hundred yards over open terrain to an aid station. Wounded in the leg himself during the dangerous, exhausting journey, he continued on until he had brought the wounded man to safety. Sergeant STEFFEL'S valiant conduct in the face of intense enemy fire reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

EARL LEE JR, 35222611, Private, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Volunteering to attempt to destroy a menacing, strongly-held Fraulautern pillbox, Private LEE, accompanied by six infantrymen for fire cover, dashed toward the fortification under a hail of enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Twice wounded during his dangerous trip to the pillbox, Private LEE refused to turn back until an arm wound made it physically impossible for him to push his charge far enough into the gun embrasure to have the desired effect upon detonation. Private LEE'S gallant and determined act, inspiring a later, successful assault on the pillbox, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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:

BERNARD E. ANDERSON, 37128551, Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 and 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. While his Company was engaged in the Moselle River crossing, Sergeant ANDERSON hauled mortar ammunition throughout the night over roads constantly pounded by enemy artillery and mortar shells. Then to secure needed machine gun ammunition, he drove his jeep several hundred yards down the river through a fearsome barrage to bring the ammunition back to the loading point. Throughout this hazardous period, Sergeant ANDERSON succeeded brilliantly in keeping all the Company's weapons well supplied, although his jeep was struck by shrapnel several times. Sergeant ANDERSON'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

LEONARD A. WINKLER, 37373356, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Member of a bazooka team,

Private First Class WINKLER was seeking desperately to bring fire on an enemy tank holding up Company B's advance. Unable to use the windows of the three-story building he occupied, he quickly carried his bazooka to the attic. Removing shingles from the roof, he then began firing from this new point of vantage. The enemy tank, confronted with Private First Class WINKLER'S accurate fire, withdrew immediately, and Company B continued its attack. Private First Class WINKLER'S resourceful and courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

ALBERT F. KREISINGER, 36340062, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Member of a bazooka team, Private First Class KREISINGER was seeking desperately to bring fire on an enemy tank holding up Company B's advance. Unable to use the windows of the three-story building he occupied, he quickly carried his bazooka to the attic. Removing shingles from the roof, he then began firing from this new point of vantage. The enemy tank, confronted with Private First Class KREISINGER'S accurate fire, withdrew immediately, and Company B continued its attack. Private First Class KREISINGER'S resourceful and courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EARL B. HALL, 35505383, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Working frequently under intense enemy fire, Sergeant HALL succeeded in keeping open wire communications between the First Battalion Command Post and the attacking companies throughout a difficult period. Night after night Sergeant HALL and his section went out to repair and service lines under the most trying conditions. When his section, one-third of which became casualties, was exhausted by the arduous, never-ending labor, Sergeant HALL recruited riflemen to aid him in his vital mission. Sergeant HALL'S courageous, resourceful and unwavering devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES L. CUNNINGHAM, 37213217, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Loading ration and ammunition carrying parties between the Saar river distribution point and Ensdorf, Staff Sergeant CUNNINGHAM unfailingly maintained complete control over his group and completed the essential missions every night despite furious enemy artillery and mortar opposition. On one occasion, Staff Sergeant CUNNINGHAM searched the hazardous route for five hours to find two wounded members of his party. After giving first aid, he assisted in their immediate evacuation. Staff Sergeant CUNNINGHAM'S outstanding leadership and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROBERT W. MC DERMOTT, 16093230, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Driving an officer to a

Saarlautern building occupied by Company E, Private First Class MC DERMOTT braved searching sniper fire to enter the building. When enemy artillery shells began falling dangerously near the house, Private First Class MC DERMOTT rushed outside and, in spite of the heavy shelling and sniper fire, moved his jeep to shelter between two buildings. Private First Class MC DERMOTT's quick, courageous action in saving the vehicle from almost certain destruction reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

MASON D. VANDERHEYDEN, 36357484, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 29 November 1944 to 28 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE G. EWING, 20341811, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 January 1945, in the vicinity of Wadgassen, Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

SIMON Y. LEVOVSKY, 31089097, Technical Sergeant, INF, 95th Counter-Intelligence Corps Detachment, (Attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 18 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WAYNE L. MOUNTAIN, W2129472, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

RICHARD W. SAGE JR, 37506508, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, Headquarters Special Troops, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

DONALD A. BARTONI, 01284811, Captain, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 1 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from California.

STEVE J. WISNIEWSKI, 36359156, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

EUGENE H. RUSH, 37208106, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Boulay, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

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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:

EDWARD VELASQUEZ, 16098060, Private, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. When heavy fire from mortars, machine guns and small arms obstructed the advance of the weapons platoon of Company L, Private VELASQUEZ rushed the enemy emplacements, firing his automatic rifle. Although wounded, Private VELASQUEZ continued his assault into the deadly, deliberate fire, and before he fell, mortally wounded, he had killed six of the enemy and had destroyed two of the enemy's machine guns. The heroic performance of duty by Private VELASQUEZ has brought lasting honor upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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:

MATT J. KOSEMRL, 37296257, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Immediately assuming command when his platoon leader was killed, Technical Sergeant KOSEMRL led the platoon in a successful advance to its objective despite fierce enemy resistance. Later, Company A was being subjected to heavy machine gun fire from an enemy-held fortified house. Technical Sergeant KOSEMRL, accompanied by two other soldiers, skilfully forced an entrance into the strong point, destroying two machine guns, killing three Germans and capturing nine more. Technical Sergeant KOSEMRL'S vigorous leadership and bold gallantry under vicious enemy fire reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

WILLARD P. LANGENBERG, 36249437, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Staff Sergeant LANGENBERG'S Company, attempting to capture an enemy barracks in Metz, had been pinned down for two hours by heavy accurate enemy small arms fire from the building. Voluntarily, Staff Sergeant LANGENBERG boldly ran the gauntlet of enemy fire, threw several grenades into a doorway and succeeded in forcing an entrance to the barracks. He single handedly killing four enemy soldiers and taking twenty more

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prisoner, he and other members of his platoon with systematic precision cleared the building completely. Staff Sergeant LANGENBERG'S gallant feat in eliminating a dangerous center of enemy resistance reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ELLUND J. LA FOREST, 36511337, Private First Class, INF, Company L, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. When Company L's right flank was threatened by two enemy machine guns, Private First Class LA FOREST, accompanied by an assistant gunner, advanced toward the positions. Setting up his machine gun in a shell crater within fifty yards of the hostile emplacements, he destroyed one gun and its crew of two men. Unable to place effective fire on the second, he crawled over open ground to within thirty-five yards of the remaining position and with two grenades silenced the gun, killing its crew. Several German soldiers nearby, seeing Private First Class LA FOREST'S heroic feat, surrendered immediately. Private First Class LA FOREST'S courageous gallantry under fire reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM A. MORGAN, 38271994, Corporal, INF, Company K, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his platoon leader was killed and two men were wounded in fierce Metz street-fighting, Corporal MORGAN and two comrades voluntarily braved the intense machine gun fire to remove the casualties to a nearby building. Remaining into the ever-growing volume of fire, the three men recovered the body of the platoon leader. Corporal MORGAN, securing a bazooka, then moved out into the street and quickly located the machine gun, knocking it out with two rounds, thereby greatly facilitating the capture of twenty-six Germans in surrounding buildings. Corporal MORGAN'S gallant actions reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

DONALD J. KENT, 35066150, Private First Class, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When Company L's lines were penetrated by strong enemy elements, Private First Class KENT spearheaded his platoon, advancing to aid in smothering the infiltration. Accompanied by another rifleman he rushed into a building in advance of the platoon's objective and captured a German artillery observer and four other soldiers, in addition to securing valuable maps, codes and an artillery radio. Information gained from the captured observer led to subsequent shelling and destruction of enemy artillery positions. Private First Class KENT'S heroic initiative and great personal courage reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

VIRGIL C. MARKIEWICZ, 35922194, Private First Class, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private First Class MARKIEWICZ was a member of the squad from the regimental reserve which drove twenty infiltrating German soldiers from buildings in the friendly sector. When this had been accomplished Private First Class MARKIEWICZ and another man pressed the assault against the routed enemy. Hurling grenades and steadily firing his rifle Private First Class MARKIEWICZ moved forward into two more buildings where he captured five of the enemy. His aggressively determined action facilitated the strong consolidation of friendly positions, reflecting great credit upon Private First Class MARKIEWICZ and exemplifying high traditions of the military service.

Entered military service from Ohio.

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:

WILLIAM J. ROY, 33796288, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ober-Limburg, Germany. When Company F had reduced all enemy resistance in the sector of the woods near Ober-Limburg assigned to it, a terrible mortar and artillery barrage suddenly descended upon it, inflicting heavy casualties. Without orders Private First Class ROY entered the zone of fire and carried a wounded comrade from under the dreadful shelling to a position of cover where first aid was administered. Private First Class ROY'S heroic act inspired other survivors of the barrage to return to the impact area and in a short while all casualties were evacuated. The bold initiative displayed by Private First Class ROY reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

RUSSELL L. DUNKERTON, 37695885, 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 Kerprich Hemmersdorf, Germany. When his platoon sergeant was hit by enemy machine fire and lay in an exposed position, Private First Class DUNKERTON with no regard for his own safety braved continuing enemy fire to carry his wounded comrade to a position of cover where first aid could be given. Private First Class DUNKERTON'S heroic feat resulted in the saving of a life, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

JOSEPH M. GYOLAI, 37293033, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 January 1945 to 18 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Under intense enemy fire Private First Class GYOLAI operated the radio with a forward observation party during a six-day action near Fraulautern. Twice Private First Class GYOLAI was forced from his observation post by heavy shelling but each time he returned to place accurate fire on advancing enemy forces. The resolute devotion to duty and high technical skill displayed by Private First Class GYOLAI reflect distinct credit upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

OTTO J. SPAHT, 37693078, Private, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. An unexploded German eighty-eight millimeter shell entered the room occupied by Private SPAHT'S platoon and came to rest in the doorway. Realizing that the position of the shell was such that anyone coming into the room would of necessity jar it, Private SPAHT coolly picked it up, carried it outside and set it down a safe distance from the building. The intrepidity of Private SPAHT'S act in removing the shell which threatened not only his life but the lives of his comrades reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM T. WILKINSON JR, 11039009, Technician Fourth Grade, Ord Dept, ****Ordnance (LM) Company, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Dalstein, France.

When Technician Fourth Grade WILKINSON'S truck was hit by machine gun fire during strafing by enemy aircraft, he dismounted immediately to seek concealment. Seeing that his comrade, grievously wounded, was unable to leave the truck, Technician Fourth Grade WILKINSON left his concealed position and proceeded to remove him while the vehicle was being fired upon again. Although he himself was wounded in the first attack, Technician Fourth Grade WILKINSON courageously administered first aid to his companion while their position was being strafed a third time. Technician Fourth Grade WILKINSON'S heroic disregard for personal safety while under enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

WILLIAM H. BOCKHAUS, 36355986, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 20 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES J. CERCEO, 36352531, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Amneville, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

TIMOTHY L. WARNER, 37677866, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

RICHARD G. SIMON, 37209674, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 30 December 1944, in the vicinity of Amneville, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

TROUPE E. GAMMAGE JR., 01280014, Captain, FD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Texas.

WALTER E. BRAUN, 37208618, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Boulay, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

MICHAEL J. BURKE, 36356765, Technician Fifth Grade, QM, ****Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 1 February 1945, in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

JV: AMENDMENT: So much of Section VI, General Orders, Number 39, dated 11 February 1945, as reads, "EDWARD J. RUSZKOWSKI, 36357133, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion", is amended to read, "EDWARD H. RUSZKOWSKI, 36357133, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion".

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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, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

JOSEPH F. GABER, 35526825, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When a strong enemy force penetrated Company L's lines, Staff Sergeant GABER and his squad advanced in the face of fierce mortar, artillery and machine gun fire to assist in smothering the infiltration. Outflanking the hostile troops, the squad set off demolition charges in an enemy-occupied building, forcing the Germans to flee. Personally pursuing twelve of the enemy, Staff Sergeant GABER wounded five of them including a German captain. Then quickly reorganizing his squad, he led it forward to capture a hostile artillery observer with his radio still intact. Staff Sergeant GABER'S superb leadership and bold combat skill reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. 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:

NICHOLAS H. ALTER, 0302463, First Lieutenant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Executive Officer of Company E, First Lieutenant ALTER assumed command of a rifle platoon when the platoon leader was wounded. Leading the platoon through the final phase of assaulting and clearing a brick yard, First Lieutenant ALTER then proceeded to organize his positions carefully to repel anticipated enemy counter-attacks. Despite heavy mortar and small arms fire, he kept vigilant check over his men throughout the night. The following morning, First Lieutenant ALTER'S platoon routed a furious counter-attack and immediately resumed the offensive. First Lieutenant ALTER'S sound knowledge of tactics and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LAWRENCE G. MATHEWS, 025402, Captain, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Leading Company E across eight hundred yards of muddy, open terrain to storm a powerful group of enemy bunkers in Saarlautern, Captain MATHEWS and his men successfully captured their first objective and advanced on toward the final objective. Although enemy machine gun, artillery

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and rifle fire made the assault difficult, Captain MATHEWS, by his skilful use of weapons and men, crushed enemy resistance and his company swept on to fulfil its mission. Throughout the attack on Saarlautern-Roden, Captain MATHEWS' superior, resourceful leadership and high personal courage were constantly reflected in his company's outstanding performance, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

GEORGE L. MATUNICH, 02006545, Second Lieutenant (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Throughout the Metz campaign, Second Lieutenant MATUNICH, by his aggressive leadership and tactical skill, inspired his men constantly to accomplish platoon missions quickly and efficiently. Assuming command on 14 December 1944 when the platoon leader became a casualty, Second Lieutenant MATUNICH led the Third Platoon in consistently successful attacks on strong enemy positions in Saarlautern-Roden. His sound knowledge of tactics and courageous devotion to duty, winning the respect and admiration of the men under his command, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RICHARD F. STRONG, 31200529, Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. As Sergeant STRONG and his squad moved toward a building in their zone of advance, heavy machine gun fire was received from an enemy emplacement nearby. Maneuvering himself into an exposed position from which he could deliver neutralizing fire, Sergeant STRONG began firing with such accuracy and speed that his squad was able to make a concerted rush for the building. The squad, from its new point of vantage, then delivered covering fire for Sergeant STRONG'S dash from his dangerously-exposed location to the building. Sergeant STRONG'S daring, resourceful actions while under intense enemy fire reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

WILLIAM R. CARTER JR, 0315575, Captain, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Jeanne D'Arc, France. Under heavy mortar shelling Captain CARTER'S company in assaulting strong enemy fortifications adjacent to Ft. Jeanne D'Arc encountered a withering cross-fire from Ft. Jeanne D'Arc and Ft. De Guise. As casualties mounted the attack seemed to slow but Captain CARTER, moving up and down the advancing line, so encouraged and inspired his command that the company reached its objective despite vicious enemy resistance. The staunch and bold leadership given by Captain CARTER reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

GUY E. AMSPOKER, 01325959, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Jeanne D'Arc, France. When Second Lieutenant AMSPOKER'S Platoon assaulted Ft. Jeanne D'Arc under heavy mortar shelling a sweeping cross-fire was encountered from Ft. Jeanne D'Arc and Ft. De Guise. Casualties mounted and the attack appeared to falter, but Second Lieutenant AMSPOKER, moving along the advancing line of his platoon, so encouraged and inspired his men that the objective was reached despite vicious enemy resistance. The staunch and aggressive leadership given by Second Lieuten-

ant AMSPOKER reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

THEODORE T. KLOS, 01307710, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Jeanne D'Arc, France. When Second Lieutenant KLOS' platoon assaulted Ft. Jeanne D'Arc under heavy mortar shelling a sweeping cross-fire was encountered from Ft. Jeanne D'Arc and Ft. De Guise. Casualties mounted and the attack appeared to falter, but Second Lieutenant KLOS, moving along the advancing line of his platoon, so encouraged and inspired his men that the objective was reached despite vicious enemy resistance. The staunch and aggressive leadership given by Second Lieutenant KLOS reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

RAYMOND M. BROWN, 02001037, Second Lieutenant (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Jeanne D'Arc, France. In the assault on Ft. Jeanne D'Arc, as Second Lieutenant BROWN'S Company reached the open area just north of Leipzig Farm, heavy cross-fire from Ft. Jeanne D'Arc and Ft. De Guise added to the peril provided by the enemy's mortars. Casualties mounted and the assault seemed to falter, but Second Lieutenant BROWN, moving along the advancing line, so urged and inspired his comrades that the objective was reached despite determined enemy resistance. The fearless and staunch leadership given by Second Lieutenant BROWN reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROBERT J. MAZNEC, 01304759, Captain, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

WALTER C. EMERY, 0432382, Captain, FA, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

FREDERICK A. SCHWEIGERT, 01285319, Captain, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from California.

ROBERT C. LILJA, 01304748, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from California.

BENJAMIN I. MILLER, 36061190, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

KENCELL HUNT, 37209811, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

III. 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:

ROBERT S. PRIOR, 15132315, Private First Class, INF, Company F, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When Company F was faltering in its advance through a fire-swept area near Forts Jeanne D'Arc and De Guise, Private First Class PRIOR moved among the men, shouting encouragement and advice to them in order to keep the attack moving forward. His valiant action, inspiring the men to advance in spite of the murderous fire, averted numerous casualties from enemy mortar shells which undoubtedly would have been sustained had the company's movement ceased. Private First Class PRIOR was killed in action later during the day. His heroic devotion to duty on this occasion reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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:

HARRY S. ASHMORE, 0397064, Major, GSC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 February 1945 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from South Carolina.

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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:

ANTHONY S. RUTKOSKY, 01309412, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. When an enemy shell exploded in a nearby command post, wounding five, Second Lieutenant RUTKOSKY, who had been directing accurate mortar fire on the enemy, made his way across sixty yards of fire-swept terrain to administer first aid to the wounded. Then, while helping to transport the casualties to a boat, for evacuation across the Moselle River, Second Lieutenant RUTKOSKY himself received a head wound from flying shrapnel. Disregarding this, he loaded the wounded into a boat and crossed the river with them. Second Lieutenant RUTKOSKY was killed in a later action in France. The heroic initiative displayed by Second Lieutenant RUTKOSKY reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ESTEL BOHANNON, 34375332, Sergeant, INF, Company M, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. With accurate machine gun fire Sergeant BOHANNON drove a large enemy patrol to cover inside a building at Saarlautern-Roden. Seeking to destroy the patrol Sergeant BOHANNON, carrying an automatic rifle, advanced under heavy mortar shelling, accompanied by another soldier. Upon locating the patrol Sergeant BOHANNON and his companion opened fire, killing four of the enemy and wounding three. When the hostile element fought back, Sergeant BOHANNON moved forward again and with accurate fire completely routed the patrol. Fire from a concealed machine gun wounded Sergeant BOHANNON fatally later in the day's action. Sergeant BOHANNON'S bold tenacity and heroic conduct under fire reflect lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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:

WAYNE J. WELLMAN, 01326122, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. After First Lieutenant WELLMAN'S company had taken a part of St. Barbara, a counter-attack by enemy armor and infantry threatened the company with disorganization. Without regard for his personal safety, First

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Lieutenant WELLMAN braved violent enemy fire to rally his command and organize a perimeter defense. Voluntarily making his way through the enemy lines, First Lieutenant WELLMAN arrived safely at the First Battalion Command Post where an attack for the following morning was planned. Next morning, the assault was completely successful and the enemy was swept out of St. Barbara. First Lieutenant WELLMAN'S staunch, heroic leadership reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

FOSTER PRESTON, 34587321, Sergeant (Then Corporal), INF, Company L, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. Encountering fire from an enemy machine gun in Teterchen, Sergeant PRESTON, ordering his squad to cover, crawled forward and threw three grenades, silencing the gun and killing the crew. Later Sergeant PRESTON observed an infiltrating enemy machine gun squad emplacing its weapon in a nearby building. After firing a rifle grenade into the house, Sergeant PRESTON intrepidly dashed in, killed three Germans by his accurate rifle fire and captured the two remaining. Sergeant PRESTON'S daring initiative and courageous devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

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:

CARROLL S. PAGE, 01285287, First Lieutenant, INF, Company K, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. During the attack on Saarlautern-Roden, First Lieutenant PAGE took command of an element of Company K when heavy enemy small arms fire resulted in the loss of flank contacts. After organizing his men to repel an enemy counter-attack in Saarlautern, First Lieutenant PAGE made a daring solitary reconnaissance, oftentimes behind enemy lines, and succeeded in locating the remaining elements of Company K in Saarlautern-Roden. Returning to his men, he resolutely led them forward to rejoin the other portion of the company in time to rout a powerful enemy counter-attack. First Lieutenant PAGE'S courageous leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

URBAN A. WIECK, 35871072, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 11 November 1944 to 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Volunteering to serve as a motorboat operator during the Moselle River crossing operations, Technician Fifth Grade WIECK piloted troop-laden assault boats across the swollen river for three days and nights under constant enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Resolutely guiding his small boat across the raging stream numerous times, Technician Fifth Grade WIECK contributed materially to the success of this difficult phase of the Metz campaign. Technician Fifth Grade WIECK'S courageous, devoted service reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JAMES P. ROY SR, 35848798, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern and Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In the midst of bitter house-to-house fighting at Saarlautern-

Roden Staff Sergeant ROY skillfully led his squad under heavy enemy fire to the basement of a house held by hostile troops. Approaching his objective from the flank Staff Sergeant ROY descended a stairway to the door and demanded the basement garrison's surrender, when no answer came Staff Sergeant ROY began working the door. Inside, a German machine gun squad, intimidated by Staff Sergeant ROY'S bold action, surrendered. This act enabled Staff Sergeant ROY'S squad to resume its advance without casualty. Staff Sergeant ROY'S firm, fearless leadership reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ELMER G. BAITY, 37439354, Private, OE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 and 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private BAITY was one of an infantry-engineer assault team organized to reduce a pillbox which obstructed the advancing infantry in the center of Fraulautern. In the face of sweeping machine gun and small arms fire from a supporting pillbox, Private BAITY and three other engineer soldiers made two bold trips to the pillbox in order to blow in the door with explosives. This intrepid action elicited the surrender of four Germans and opened the way for the advance to be resumed. Private BAITY'S fearless devotion to duty reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

JOHN D. JONES, 17083419, Private, OE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 and 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private JONES was one of an infantry-engineer assault team organized to reduce a pillbox which obstructed the advancing infantry in the center of Fraulautern. In the face of sweeping machine gun and small arms fire from a supporting pillbox, Private Jones and three other engineer soldiers made two bold trips to the pillbox in order to blow in the door with explosives. This intrepid action elicited the surrender of four Germans and opened the way for the advance to be resumed. Private JONES'S fearless devotion to duty reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

THOMAS A. WILSON III, 13184569, Private, OE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 and 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private WILSON was one of an infantry-engineer assault team organized to reduce a pillbox which obstructed the advancing infantry in the center of Fraulautern. In the face of sweeping machine gun and small arms fire from a supporting pillbox, Private WILSON and three other engineer soldiers made two bold trips to the pillbox in order to blow in the door with explosives. This intrepid action elicited the surrender of four Germans and opened the way for the advance to be resumed. Private WILSON'S fearless devotion to duty reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM F. COX, 38684064, Private, OE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 and 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private COX was one of an infantry-engineer assault team organized to reduce a pillbox which obstructed the advancing infantry in the center of Fraulautern. In the face of sweeping machine gun and small arms fire from a supporting pillbox, Private COX and three other engineer soldiers made two bold trips to the pillbox in order to blow

in the door with explosives. This intrepid action elicited the surrender of four Germans and opened the way for the advance to be resumed. Private COX'S fearless devotion to duty reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

WARREN R. RIGGIN, 18108107, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

NORMAN C. CIRCLE, 38024782, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

HENRY H. ANDERSON JR, 0514690, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 13 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

ELWOOD J. WOLFE, 20723815, Master Sergeant, FA, Headquarters ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 10 February 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

GLENN M. DREWETT, 31295154, Captain, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

MAX K. HINDS, 37287698, Technical Sergeant, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

LEO R. BERNARDI, 36356046, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM E. SHIMP, 37166659, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

RALPH A. CUBBINS, 36511151, Technical Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 14 February 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILFRED C. COX, 32609937, 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 14 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

WALTER D. ATWATER, 39079140, First Sergeant, MD, Company D, ***Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 December 1944. Entered military service from California.

HOMER R. SIROYAN, 36357606, Corporal, MD, Company D, ***Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

KENNETH P. BRACK, 37212403, Corporal, MD, Company D, ***Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 16 December 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

CALVIN H. ANDERSON, 39157978, Staff Sergeant, Sig C, ***Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from California.

IV. AMENDMENT: So much of Section III, General Orders Number 38, this Headquarters, dated 7 December 1944, awarding the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque, as reads, "Service Battery, 358th Field Artillery Battalion", is amended to read, "Service Battery and Medical Detachment, 358th Field Artillery Battalion".

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
SECTION IV - AWARD OF AIR MEDAL

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, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

VERL E. DUNCAN, 37073844, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. When German troops were observed in a dugout at the entrance of a strongly-held enemy pillbox, Staff Sergeant DUNCAN hurled grenades at them and then, firing his rifle into their midst, he led a determined assault which utterly routed the defenders. Two of the enemy were killed, four wounded and thirty taken prisoner. In addition, eleven machine guns and a mortar were captured. Inside the pillbox Staff Sergeant DUNCAN organized a stout defense which repelled two strong enemy attempts to recapture the important position. The staunch leadership and fearless personal conduct displayed by Staff Sergeant DUNCAN reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ROMAN H. STEICHEN, 37286137, Staff Sergeant, CE, Company C, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Advancing alone toward an enemy pillbox whose intense machine gun and mortar fire had pinned down two squads of engineer soldiers, Staff Sergeant STEICHEN crawled safely to the stairway leading down into the bunker. Then throwing four grenades down the stairway, he intrepidly descended to machine pistol fire and concussion grenades directed at him by German soldiers standing in the partially open doorway. Lunging forward, Staff Sergeant STEICHEN forced the steel door open before the Germans could close it and fired boldly into the room. Two Germans were killed and the remaining five surrendered immediately. Staff Sergeant STEICHEN'S boldly courageous and determined action reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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:

WALTER H. GRAY, 34864900, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Volunteering to run a line to an embattled outpost without communications, Private First

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Class GRAY and one companion advanced to a building near their objective. Ordering his comrade to remain in the house, he made his way over the open, exposed terrain alone until hit by sniper fire. Although lying wounded on the ground, Private First Class GRAY hurled a grenade into the sniper's position, killing him. Immediately another sniper, ten feet away, fired at Private First Class GRAY and mortally wounded him. His bold initiative and great personal courage reflect lasting honor on Private First Class GRAY and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

THOMAS MYERS, 32529106, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations, on 13 and 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. Advancing constantly with the forward infantry elements, Private MYERS led his litter squad through fields heavily sown with mines and was often subjected to violent enemy shell fire while evacuating casualties. Although Private MYERS' feet became severely blistered, he did not hesitate to continue his arduous efforts despite the pain he suffered. The next morning while searching the front lines for wounded men, Private MYERS was killed instantly when struck by an enemy shell. Private MYERS' heroic, selfless devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. 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:

IRVING J. TAYLOR, 01285321, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Observing hostile fire being directed at a friendly officer who had advanced alone to demand the surrender of the Kaserne, First Lieutenant TAYLOR dashed across an open fire-swept courtyard. From his new position, he delivered effective fire to cover the menaced officer's safe withdrawal. Later, First Lieutenant TAYLOR assumed command of Company I when the commanding officer became a casualty. He was aggressively leading the company in clearing enemy-occupied buildings when wounded by sniper fire. First Lieutenant TAYLOR'S fearless initiative and vigorous leadership reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

HAROLD E. BROWN, 35753513, Private, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On 22 January 1945 Private BROWN repeatedly distinguished himself in administering first aid to the wounded and in evacuating them under heavy enemy fire. In crossing a narrow foot-bridge one of Private BROWN'S comrades was struck by machine gun fire and fell into the icy stream below. Without regard for his own safety Private BROWN leaped into the water and in the face of continuing machine gun fire he transported the casualty to the bank where first aid was given. Private BROWN'S heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RUDY A. OSUNA, 19175050, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. The advance of Company L east of Boulay was impeded by sweeping machine gun fire from high ground

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overlooking the company's right flank. Taking a light machine gun Private First Class OSUNA and one companion crawled up a drain in the face of the fierce enemy fire to within one hundred and twenty-five yards of the emplacement. From this perilous position Private First Class OSUNA eliminated the enemy machine gun and its crew. Private First Class OSUNA's intrepid performance on duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

MEDARD L. BEAULIEU, 31376453, Staff Sergeant (Then Private), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of La Maxa, France. When Staff Sergeant BEAULIEU'S platoon encountered heavy, impeding machine gun fire while attacking a position, he made his way back two hundred yards in spite of fierce enemy fire to recover a wounded man's automatic rifle. Then skirting the platoon's left flank, he advanced successfully to within fifty yards of the hostile emplacement and opened fire. Surprising the enemy completely, Staff Sergeant BEAULIEU killed two Germans and captured the five remaining in the position. The intrepid, resourceful actions by which Staff Sergeant BEAULIEU enabled his platoon to continue its advance, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

RAYMOND H. PFARR, 37293650, Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France. Although Sergeant PFARR, a mortar gunner, was painfully wounded at the same time his squad leader received serious shrapnel wounds, he refused to be evacuated and assumed command of the squad. Working brilliantly despite his leg wound, Sergeant PFARR directed the efforts of his mortar squad so skillfully that the rifle platoon it was supporting completed its vital, hazardous mission with minimum casualties. Sergeant PFARR'S staunch leadership and resolute devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JOSEPH S. KANTOR, 37448532, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merten, France. Seeing an attack on Merten by riflemen losing its impetus, Staff Sergeant KANTOR, mortar section sergeant, boldly plunged ahead of the nearest group and proceeded to fire a steady stream of bullets with his rifle. Inspired by Staff Sergeant KANTOR'S aggressiveness, the riflemen rallied and pressed toward their objective with relentless marching fire. Then returning to his section through intense enemy machine gun fire, he displaced his mortars forward to support the rapidly-moving attack with such deadly, well-timed mortar fire that the final objective was soon attained with relatively small losses. Staff Sergeant KANTOR'S fearless initiative and bold leadership reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ROBERT L. AOKINS, 12211897, Private First Class, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Emsdorf, Germany. During offensive operations against Metz, France and Emsdorf, Germany, Private First Class AOKINS served as a member of a wire team striving to maintain communications between attacking companies and the

Third Battalion Command Post. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Private First Class ADKINS worked with unflagging energy, after under heavy artillery and machine gun fire, during this period. Private First Class ADKINS' courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Delaware.

STANLEY J. KLIMEK, 36060320, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

SPENCER HAMMOND, 39675297, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Utah.

GEORGE H. ROBINSON, 6938237, Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 February 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

DONALD A. DAVIS, 01285212, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM W. MURPHY, 37421812, Technician Third Grade, MD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

ELVIE L. DREESZEN, 37449145, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

RUSSELL A. HEALD, 39177825, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Washington.

NORMAN V. WETZEL, 36801556, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LUTHER G. TAYLOR, 01285332, Captain, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 November 1944 to 28 January 1945. Entered military service from Mississippi.

KENNETH MARLEY, 35485964, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October

1944 to 20 December 1944. Entered military service from Indiana.

IV. AWARD OF AIR 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 Air Medal is awarded to the following:

BARNARD P. GRANMAN, 37212791, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

WILLIAM B. MARTIN, 6281243, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Texas.

WILLIAM J. SPIGNARDO, 32617148, Private, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from New York.

EDMUND, D. WHITE, 0300037, Major, FA, Headquarters, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Maine.

JEROLD J. FARRICH, 01165740, Major, FA, Headquarters, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

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SECTION II - AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL
SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
SECTION IV - AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE

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, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

VINCENT A. GEIGER, OLD 12903, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When an element of Company I was halted by heavy machine gun fire near Maldiveres-les-Metz, Captain GEIGER moved unhesitatingly to within pistol range of the emplacement. Ignoring the sweeping enemy fire, he killed one German with small arms fire and took nine prisoners. Later, during the attack on the Kaserne in Metz, Captain GEIGER assumed command of Company I at a time when fanatical opposition had caused heavy casualties. Reorganizing the company, he pressed the assault vigorously, personally leading his group in the seizure of one hundred and fifty prisoners. Captain GEIGER'S aggressive leadership and high personal courage reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

PRINCE A. HART, 36509456, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In a bold assault Staff Sergeant HART, under heavy artillery and small arms fire, grenaded an enemy bazooka emplacement inside a building at Saarlautern-Roden, killing the gunner and wounding the assistant. Later, when an artillery barrage severed telephone communications Staff Sergeant HART found and repaired several breaks in the wire. In so doing he was wounded, but refused evacuation until his self-appointed task was done. Staff Sergeant HART'S courageous initiative and fearless action reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S 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 Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

KEITH B. RIGNEY, 38127173, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 30 January 1945, in Luxembourg. When a soldier fell into a vertical mine shaft, which was concealed by thin snow-covered boards, suffering injuries and shock, Private First Class RIGNEY looped a truck winch cable around his chest and descended the shaft. Waist deep in water, and in darkness, Private First Class RIGNEY grasped the soldier in his arms and then, pulled by the winch, completed his rescue. Private

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First Class RIGNEY'S heroic act reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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. 11th U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the followings:

JOHN A. GOURLEY, 35413203, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 February 1945, in the vicinity of Honsdorf, Germany. Hearing cries for help after several mines exploded four hundred yards away, Corporal GOURLEY proceeded immediately into a heavily-mined ravine where he found two seriously wounded men. While Corporal GOURLEY was applying a tourniquet to one of the casualties, several men arrived to assist him. In approaching, one soldier set off another mine, severely wounding himself and also inflicting slight wounds on Corporal GOURLEY. Despite this, Corporal GOURLEY heroically continued administering first aid and assisting in the evacuation of the serious casualties. Corporal GOURLEY'S courageous, unselfish action on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

GEORGE J. SHIRILLA, 35316292, Sergeant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 February 1945, in the vicinity of Honsdorf, Germany. Proceeding toward a heavily-mined ravine after hearing cries for help following the explosions of several mines, Sergeant SHIRILLA and another volunteer discovered numerous plastic mines. Posting a guard to warn soldiers of the hazards, the two men continued into the ravine where they found two seriously wounded men. A medical soldier, approaching at the same time, detonated another mine, seriously wounding himself. Undismayed, Sergeant SHIRILLA, his companion and a third soldier who had entered the ravine by another route gave essential first aid and assisted in evacuating the casualties across the dangerous area. Sergeant SHIRILLA'S courageously unselfish action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WANZA C. JOHNSON, 34923369, Private First Class, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 February 1945, in the vicinity of Honsdorf, Germany. Proceeding toward a heavily-mined ravine after hearing cries for help following the explosions of several mines, Private First Class JOHNSON and another volunteer discovered numerous plastic mines. Posting a guard to warn soldiers of the hazards, the two men continued into the ravine where they found two seriously wounded men. A medical soldier, approaching at the same time, detonated another mine, seriously wounding himself. Undismayed, Private First Class JOHNSON, his companion and a third soldier who had entered the ravine by another route gave essential first aid and assisted in evacuating the casualties across the dangerous area. Private First Class JOHNSON'S courageously unselfish action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

JOE A. LITTLE CROW, 37287655, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the bitter fighting near the slag pile at Maizieres-les-Metz, Private First Class LITTLE CROW on reconnaissance

received sniper fire. He boldly stood in the open, drawing further fire, and when he had located the sniper's position he stalked him and killed him with rifle fire. Later, in the attack on the Kaserne, Private First Class LITTLE CROW braved small arms fire from both enemy and friendly troops in order to secure the surrender of twenty-eight German troops who had been unable to surrender due to heavy fire. Private First Class LITTLE CROW'S courageous and aggressive actions reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

RALPH F. WILLARD, 36249345, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 November 1944 to 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Immeldange, France. Assuming command when his platoon leader was wounded after crossing the Moselle Technical Sergeant WILLARD, under a continuous artillery barrage, directed the heavy machine gun platoon's unusually effective support of two embattled rifle companies. Later, after taking Immeldange, the forces supported by Technical Sergeant WILLARD'S group were counter-attacked powerfully by enemy armor and infantry which inflicted heavy casualties. Fighting intrepidly for two days, Technical Sergeant WILLARD and his men frustrated numerous hostile attacks until relieved by the advance of friendly troops. His heroic leadership and combat skill reflect great credit on Technical Sergeant WILLARD and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

RICHARD H. SCHOEN, 15358957, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Seeing several wounded soldiers lying exposed to intense enemy fire, Private SCHOEN crawled to them and administered first aid. After evacuating one casualty single-handedly, he was leading his litter squad back through the scathing machine gun fire when he was wounded in both legs. His wounds dressed by a comrade, Private SCHOEN continued on intrepidly to complete the evacuation of the other casualties. Then submitting to examination by a medical officer, Private SCHOEN was himself evacuated for hospitalization. His valiant, inspiring service reflects great credit on Private SCHOEN and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Ohio.

FRED B. HUDSON, 0465143, 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 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. First Lieutenant HUDSON organized a supply mission to deliver food and ammunition by assault boats to elements of the First Battalion fighting to secure a bridgehead across the flooded Moselle River. Braving persistently accurate German artillery fire while crossing the river, he daringly led his men through enemy lines to supply the embattled troops otherwise isolated in Bertrange by a violent enemy armored counter-attack. First Lieutenant HUDSON'S heroic leadership in conducting successfully this vital, dangerous supply mission reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

FRANCIS H. FLAGSTADT, 36184901, Staff Sergeant (Then Technician Third Grade), MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations, from 18 November 1944 to 24 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Surgical Technician, Staff Sergeant FLAGSTADT volunteered to help

evacuate casualties from perilous areas in front of Fort Gambetta. Boldly advancing into the searing hostile machine gun and small arms fire, he made trip after trip, giving aid to the wounded and evacuating them. Later, when three litter bearers were wounded; Staff Sergeant FLAGSTADT again voluntarily faced scathing enemy fire to assist in carrying numerous casualties for great distances over difficult terrain. He persisted in his heroic efforts until all the wounded had been evacuated to the aid station. Staff Sergeant FLAGSTADT'S courageous, devoted service during these trying days reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

EDWIN J. COLE, 34233969, Corporal, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During fierce fighting near Oberfelsberg Corporal COLE made many trips in his vehicle evacuating the wounded. As the number of casualties increased Corporal COLE drove deep into the fire-fighting in order to save his litter bearers from exhaustion. It was while he was directing litter bearers in a front-line location that he was hit by hostile machine gun fire and severely wounded in the neck and shoulder. Despite the gravity of his wound Corporal COLE filled his vehicle with patients and drove them to the aid station before submitting to medical attention himself. Corporal COLE'S gallant devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Louisiana.

GUY T. MC GASLIN, 01310859, Captain, INF, Headquarters, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

SAMUEL C. CAPPEL, 01301256, First Lieutenant, INF, ****Infantry Regiment (Special Duty, this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

BERNARD P. MURTY, 36246988, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JAMES W. HALL, 34723956, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Tennessee.

MAURICE J. REYNOLDS, 0355793, Captain, INF, Headquarters Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 November 1944 to 17 December 1944. Entered military service from Nebraska.

MICHAEL MEYNAR, 35588707, Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 and 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES J. KEGLEY, 6917340, First Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 September 1944 to 22 November 1944. Entered military service from Illinois;

IRVING J. WEISS, 32617276, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from New York.

MELVIN M. ESARLEY, 01180488, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

KENNETH E. CHRISTIANSON, 16005079, Master Sergeant, FA, Headquarters, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE: Under the provisions of WD Circular Number 345, dated 28 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to Service Battery, 920th Field Artillery Battalion for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 January 1945:

Service Battery, 920th Field Artillery Battalion, performed in a superior manner exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. The vital missions of supply and service to the Battalion in combat were accomplished in an outstanding manner. A high standard of discipline was evident in the appearance, courtesy and conduct of all personnel and in the cleanliness of equipment and installations. No venereal disease, absence without leave, court-martials or punishment under the 104th Article of War occurred during the period involved. The resolute devotion to duty given by all personnel of Service Battery, 920th Field Artillery Battalion, substantially aided the combat operations of the 95th Infantry Division during this period.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

HUBERT O. BURGESS, 34466261, Corporal, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Driven from his machine gun by a flame thrower, Corporal BURGESS crawled to within rifle range of the enemy weapon. There he shot dead the enemy employing the flame thrower. This action drew fire from a bazooka in a house up the street. To silence the bazooka Corporal BURGESS dashed across fifty yards of fire swept ground and grenaded the occupants of the house, killing the gunner and his assistant. Then Corporal BURGESS returned to his machine gun and opened fire, driving an enemy patrol into a cellar where they were captured by advancing riflemen. Corporal BURGESS' fearless, aggressive conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

BASIL J. SOLLITTO, 0402407, First Lieutenant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 25 November 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. When heavy fire from two machine guns impeded Company L's advance on Teterchen, First Lieutenant SOLLITTO advanced to a hazardous point of observation where he calmly directed mortar fire which destroyed both machine guns and their crews. Later that day, during a fire fight which began while he was on reconnaissance, First Lieutenant SOLLITTO personally accounted for three of the enemy and directed by radio mortar fire which destroyed a one hundred and fifty millimeter piece. First Lieutenant SOLLITTO'S bold prowess under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

II. 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:

CHARLES A. BIRMINGHAM, 12171397, Private First Class (Then Private), GE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When demolitions which imperiled the newly captured Saarlautern bridge were discovered in the pier, Private First Class BIRMINGHAM volunteered to let himself be lowered headfirst into the hole in order to tie the charges to a steel rod. The charges were then lifted from the hole. Under intense artillery shelling and small arms fire Private First Class BIRMINGHAM repeated this perilous operation until all charges were removed. Private First Class BIRMINGHAM'S intrepid performance reflects outstanding credit on him and on

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the military service. Entered military service from New York.

EDGAR W. LANDRUM, 36265066, Corporal (Then Private First Class), GE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When demolitions which imperiled the Saarlautern bridge were discovered in the pier, Corporal LANDRUM lowered a volunteer into the hole to tie the charges to a steel rod. The charges were then lifted from the hole. Under intense artillery shelling and small arms fire Corporal LANDRUM and his companion repeated this perilous operation until all charges were removed. Corporal LANDRUM'S intrepid performance reflects outstanding credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT J. PROVENCHER, 31392132, Private, GE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. In order to remove four five hundred pound bombs from the newly won bridge at Saarlautern Private PROVENCHER and another engineer soldier improvised skids onto which the bombs were rolled and then pulled from the bridge. Besides intense small arms fire, Germany artillery fire was heavy during this undertaking and if one of the bombs had been hit the bridge would have been destroyed. Private PROVENCHER'S intrepid performance reflects outstanding credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

BERTIL C. CARLSON, 37287753, Private First Class, GE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. In order to remove four five hundred pound bombs from the newly won bridge at Saarlautern, Private First Class CARLSON and another engineer soldier improvised skids onto which the bombs were rolled and then pulled from the bridge. Besides intense small arms fire, Germany artillery fire was heavy during this undertaking and if one of the bombs had been hit the bridge would have been destroyed. Private First Class CARLSON'S intrepid performance reflects outstanding credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

IRVIN R. ST. GEORGE, 16093075, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Eschdorf, Germany. In the face of heavy mortar and artillery shelling, and intense machine gun and sniper fire, Technician Fifth Grade ST. GEORGE maintained uninterrupted radio communication for the forward observer team with Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, from 2 December 1944 to 7 December 1944. Technician Fifth Grade ST. GEORGE'S courageous and skilful performance of duty aided materially in the accomplishment of the mission, reflecting distinct credit on Technician Fifth Grade ST. GEORGE and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

WILLIAM P. SMAILES, 35503368, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 January 1945 to 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. During a strong enemy counter-attack north of Saarlautern, Technician Fifth Grade SMAILES acted with conspicuous courage in efficiently performing his duty as radio operator with a forward observer team and in repairing wire communications under a steady hail of enemy fire. Technician Fifth Grade

SMALLES' devoted performance enabled the forward observer party to deliver without interruption the necessary supporting fires, reflecting distinct credit on Technician Fifth Grade SMALLES and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ARTHUR A. NOACK, 36184573, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. In fierce house to house fighting at Ensdorf Sergeant NOACK'S squad leader was wounded shortly after the squad fought its way into the house which was its objective. Under heavy enemy fire Sergeant NOACK obtained medical aid for his squad leader, and then assumed the duties of squad leader, leading his men on to the next objective. The timely and gallant leadership given by Sergeant NOACK reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ARLON L. BAUER, 35333095, Staff Sergeant (Then Corporal), INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Staff Sergeant BAUER provided staunch and courageous leadership for his fifty-seven millimeter gun squad when the normal leader was hit by a mortar shell. Staff Sergeant BAUER led his squad dauntlessly to the appointed destination despite the discouraging effect of a severe mortar barrage which inflicted four casualties. The steadfast devotion to duty and calm conduct under fire shown by Staff Sergeant BAUER reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HERMAN P. FIRKUS, 36247339, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When the enemy laid down an intense mortar barrage on Staff Sergeant FIRKUS' squad in a trench outside a key pillbox near Ensdorf, Staff Sergeant FIRKUS ordered his men to remain where they were and by his own fearless example he calmed his squad throughout the terrible barrage. Following the barrage, the enemy launched a furious assault. Staff Sergeant FIRKUS ordered his men to hold their fire until the enemy came close. Then, on Staff Sergeant FIRKUS' signal, the squad poured an accurate enfilade of rifle fire into the oncoming ranks, killing seven Germans and utterly routing the survivors. Staff Sergeant FIRKUS' firm, brave leadership reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT O. COLEMAN, 01035109, Captain, CWS, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES E. SMITH, 01304805, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN W. CARPENTERS, 35388977, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945.

Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES J. RUTLEDGE, #068060, Private First Class, OMP, Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERT G. DANNER, 35475197, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

HARRISON W. VERMILLION, W2105478, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM G. PATTERSON, W2108604, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

DALE E. GRIEHLER, 35411318, Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES H. KITCHENS JR, 0328184, Captain, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Louisiana.

ANDREW E. RAUSCH, 36600460, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

KENNETH F. MANNING, 36356033, Technical Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARTHUR R. DIK, 36248100, Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JAMES N. LOTHROP JR, 026057, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered military service from California.

EDWARD K. BELL, 35460751, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military

operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 15 January 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CHRISTIAN H. BURKHARD, 33394078, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 30 December 1944. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

TORFIN A. HALVORSON, 37293261, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 30 December 1944. Entered military service from North Dakota.

HARRY ADLER, 32693313, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 November 1944 to 17 December 1944. Entered military service from New York.

KENNETH E. LAMP, 15116812, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 and 20 January 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ROBERT E. LESSING, 0374209, Major, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

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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 Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

MARK MC CLURE, 014935, Colonel, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered United States Military Academy from Indiana.

FRED M. GAILLARD, 010295, Colonel, INF, Headquarters, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

SAMUEL L. METCALFE, 09684, Colonel, INF, Headquarters, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

JOSEPH F. DECKER, 0394026, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 23 January 1945. Entered military service from Alabama.

ROBERT L. WALTON, 022734, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 14 November 1944, and 26 December 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

ALBERT L. SEBESTA, 0294919, Major, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

WILEUR G. NEEL, 01284922, Captain, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 27 November 1944. Entered military service from California.

ALTRION C. MULLCOCK, 0322457, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 November 1944 to 26 December 1944. Entered military service from Utah.

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ROSS W. HALL, 0315197, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 17 January 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

CHRISTIAN L. OLIVIER JR, 0309443, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 17 November 1944. Entered military service from Louisiana.

PAUL S. HUDGINS, 0292116, Major, INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 November 1944 to 26 November 1944. Entered military service from West Virginia.

AUTREY J. MAROUN, 019865, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 November 1944. Entered United States Military Academy from Louisiana.

ALEXANDER C. GRANZIN, 0415960, Major, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 27 November 1944. Entered military service from Indiana.

VICTOR H. VOGEL, 0309564, Major, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 November 1944 to 2 December 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

ROBERT E. ADAIR, 0367110, Major, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 22 January 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN E. KELLY, 020156, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

THOMAS R. PHILBIN JR, 0389385, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 7 January 1945. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOSEPH L. COLSAN, 0378805, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 14 November 1944. Entered military service from Louisiana.

JASON L. RICHMOND, 0328667, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

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WALTER F. ULMER, 0264359, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, Headquarters, ****
Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military
operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered
military service from Maine.

EDWARD W. HATKINS, 0243292, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, Headquarters, ****
Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military
operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered
military service from Arkansas.

ALEXANDER R. SEWAL, 016453, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, Headquarters, ****
Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military
operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered
military service from Louisiana.

THOMAS R. BROWN, 0267634, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, Headquarters, ****
Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military
operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered
military service from Florida.

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GEORGE T. STILLMAN, 0387749, Lieutenant Colonel, CAC, Headquarters, ****
Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with
military operations against the enemy, from 13 October 1944 to 29 January 1945.
Entered military service from New York.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
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SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

CHARLES BAILEY, 35709553, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 25 November 1944 and 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France and Fraulautern, Germany. When German eighty-eight millimeter and mortar fire killed one member of a Company K ration detail and wounded four more near Boulay, on 25 November 1944, Private First Class BAILEY unhesitatingly crossed a large, fire-swept area to administer first aid and evacuate the casualties. Later, on 9 December 1944, German patrols succeeded in penetrating Company K's Fraulautern positions, wounding eleven men with grenades and bazooka fire before being repelled. Voluntarily Private First Class BAILEY ventured down a twenty-foot corridor which was covered by heavy machine gun fire, fearlessly risking his life to give essential treatment to the wounded. Private First Class BAILEY'S gallant, inspiring service, rendered in spite of extremely hazardous circumstances, reflects distinct credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

HAROLD M. SINCLAIR, 01054817, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 December 1944 and 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Exposing himself to draw enemy machine gun fire, Second Lieutenant SINCLAIR permitted the safe withdrawal of a platoon section, heavily engaged in the Fraulautern fighting, to execute a flanking movement. The maneuver successfully accomplished, Second Lieutenant SINCLAIR'S platoon advanced ruthlessly through German defenses to its objective. On 31 December 1944, Second Lieutenant SINCLAIR boldly charged into a house from which intense machine gun fire was being delivered against his platoon flank. Throwing grenades as he entered, he demolished the gun, killing one German, wounding several more and capturing the remaining twelve. Second Lieutenant SINCLAIR'S aggressive, determined leadership and great personal courage reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

TOBIAS R. PHILBIN JR, 0389385, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. With the mission of capturing the north end of the bridge which connects Saarlautern with Saarlautern-Roden, Lieutenant Colonel PHILBIN led his battalion in a quick assault crossing of the Saar River. A German soldier was within five feet of a switch wired to demolitions whose detonation would have proved devastating when Lieutenant Colonel PHILBIN shot and killed him. By cutting wires which led to heavy charges under-

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neath the span Lieutenant Colonel PHILBIN forestalled an alternate plan for destruction. In fierce fighting he led his men in repelling enemy patrols determined to detonate bombs in the center of the bridge. Throughout this bold undertaking Lieutenant Colonel PHILBIN'S staunch leadership and keen personal initiative were decisive, and they reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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:

FIGLIARD DIBERT, 35411394, Private First Class, IIF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Luren, Germany. Acting as leader of a sixty-millimeter mortar squad supporting an advancing rifle platoon, Private First Class DIBERT intrepidly directed mortar fire by hand signal from his dangerous, hill-top position. Although he was menaced constantly by hostile automatic weapons and small arms fire, Private First Class DIBERT continued directing the indispensable mortar shelling, which permitted the rifle platoon to advance successfully to its objective. He died on 22 January 1945 of wounds received in action in Germany. Private First Class DIBERT'S valiant action on this occasion reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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:

JOSEPH L. SULLIVAN, 37287005, Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When two violent explosions rocked Company C, advancing in Metz, and inflicted heavy casualties, Sergeant SULLIVAN acted quickly to prevent the spread of panic. By calmly directing his squad in rapid evacuation of the seriously wounded, Sergeant SULLIVAN checked any deterioration in the morale of the company. His heroic, inspiring action in maintaining order under terrific stress was responsible for the saving of many lives, reflecting great credit on Sergeant SULLIVAN and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

HAROLD THURMOND, 35481551, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. While digging in to support riflemen holding the left flank of the Meuse bridgehead near Bertrange, Sergeant THURMOND'S heavy machine gun squad was hit by an enemy counter-attack. First gunner, Sergeant THURMOND held the enemy at bay until an artillery shell exploding nearby covered his gun with dirt. Intrepidly seizing his rifle, he fired rifle grenades at the approaching hostile troops until the counter-attack was routed. Sergeant THURMOND'S bold combat skill reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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JAMES H. MC GUIRE, 35773121, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Moving with Company E near Fort Jeanne D'Arc, Sergeant MC GUIRE, a rifleman scout, was advancing ahead of his platoon when he was subjected to machine gun fire from a well concealed emplacement. Deliberately exposing himself in order to draw fire, he succeeded miraculously in escaping injury while determining the location of the weapon. Sergeant MC GUIRE then assisted his platoon in its destruction of the hostile position. Sergeant MC GUIRE'S gallant action in risking his life to facilitate his platoon'S advance reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WALTER W. RALYEA, 42091433, Private, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private RALYEA, participating with Company K in the Saarlautern-Roden attack, carried his light machine gun five hundred yards to give essential support to advancing rifle platoons. Although Private RALYEA was subjected to enemy machine gun and sniper fire throughout the wearing journey, he persisted in his mission until he reached the company objective, where he delivered effective fire in support of the attacking riflemen. Private RALYEA'S courageous, determined devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOSEPH G. KENDALL, 37450959, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. While receiving treatment at an aid station after being slightly wounded near Fort Jeanne D'Arc, Technical Sergeant KENDALL volunteered to lead a combat scout group to his platoon'S position, even though previously informed that intense enemy fire had made any approach to the area extremely hazardous. Although the enemy'S exact location was not known due to the rapidly changing situation, Technical Sergeant KENDALL skillfully guided the men across the dangerous route without casualty. Technical Sergeant KENDALL'S courageous action in voluntarily leading reinforcements to his platoon at the risk of his life reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

FRANCIS A. STEIGER, 37286170, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company M, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Assuming command of his platoon when the platoon leader was wounded and evacuated, Technical Sergeant STEIGER quickly reorganized his group in order to continue uninterrupted support of attacking riflemen. With no previous experience in leading a machine gun platoon, Technical Sergeant STEIGER utilized men and weapons outstandingly, directed communications maintenance and supervised the supplying of his group. In continuous contact with the enemy during this period, Technical Sergeant STEIGER'S platoon fulfilled successfully every assigned mission. His aggressive, determined leadership reflects great credit on Technical Sergeant STEIGER and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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WILLIAM J. MAC CORMERY, 36459507, Sergeant (Then Technician Fifth Grade), CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In an attempt to take undamaged an enemy pillbox to be used as an infantry observation post, sergeant MAC CORMERY led two engineer soldiers and three covering infantrymen across an open field raked with small arms and mortar fire. From a trench outside the pillbox, Sergeant MAC CORMERY called for the enemy soldiers to surrender, graphically describing the consequences if they refused. When the garrison refused, Sergeant MAC CORMERY threw a grenade into the entrance way. Eight German soldiers, mistaking the grenade explosion for a demolition charge, hastily filed out of the fortification to surrender. Sergeant MAC-CORMERY'S courageous, determined performance reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM E. SNYDER, 36901225, Private, CE, Company E, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Leading six engineer soldiers laden with demolition charges through Ensdorf streets toward an important enemy pillbox, Private SNYDER met furious sniper resistance with accurate rifle fire. Private SNYDER and his men, approaching the fortification, killed two guards unaware of the group's advance due to the din of an artillery concentration covering their progress. Dashing forward to the pillbox without drawing fire, Private SNYDER destroyed the door with hurriedly-packed charges, and the entire garrison of seven Germans was captured. Private SNYDER'S steadfast, courageous action in removing this hazard to the advancing infantry reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM J. LANG, 13201116, Private, CE, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 and 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Private LANG was one of an infantry-engineer assault team organized to reduce a pillbox which obstructed the advancing infantry in the center of Fraulautern. In the face of sweeping machine gun and small arms fire from a supporting pillbox, private LANG and three other engineer soldiers made two bold trips to the pillbox in order to blow in the door with explosives. This intrepid action elicited the surrender of four Germans and opened the way for the advance to be resumed. Private LANG'S fearless devotion to duty reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

STANLEY R. DZIEDZIC, 36353497, Technical Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ANDREW C. GARY, 35316286, Technician Third Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

DONALD R. LACLY, 36063034, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

HUGH G. PATERSON, 36358947, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****
Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations
against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military
service from Illinois.

HENRY M. TANKERSLEY, 38058724, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****
Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations
against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military
service from Texas.

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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:

MARSHALL C. BEVER, 36972938, Private, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hoefflimberg, Germany. Fearlessly advancing down a narrow path to confront an enemy patrol waiting to ambush reinforcements going to their security outpost on the Saar River bank, Private BEVER and one comrade unhesitatingly opened fire on the seven-man patrol. In the furious rifle and machine pistol duel that ensued, the hostile group was utterly routed by Private BEVER and his associate, leaving its leader dead and two Germans as prisoners. During this encounter, Private BEVER was killed. By his great personal courage and bold action, Private BEVER has brought lasting honor on himself, and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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:

ALBERT E. PHILIPP, 36978062, Private, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 January 1945, in the vicinity of Hoefflimberg, Germany. Fearlessly advancing down a narrow path to confront an enemy patrol waiting to ambush reinforcements going to their security outpost on the Saar River bank, Private PHILIPP and one comrade unhesitatingly opened fire on the seven-man patrol. In the furious rifle and machine pistol duel that ensued, the hostile group was utterly routed by Private PHILIPP and his associate, leaving its leader dead and two Germans as prisoners. Private PHILIPP'S bold, courageous action in frustrating the enemy ambush reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GILBERT H. CARLSON, 37209946, Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. When his platoon was forced by rising flood waters to move to high ground, machine gun squad leader, Sergeant CARLSON started out over a route covered by enemy artillery and small arms fire, assisting a severely-wounded man and carrying his own machine gun. Although his heavy load made progress over the exposed terrain dangerously slow, Sergeant

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CARLSON continued on intrepidly until the platoon area was reached. Releasing his wounded comrade to medical soldiers for treatment and setting up his weapon, Sergeant CARLSON then began directing the fire of all available machine guns, for three days and nights performing fearlessly in beating back numerous enemy attacks. Sergeant CARLSON'S bold and determined gallantry reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

RICHARD L. GOODE, 34653358, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company L, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When their leaders became casualties, Technician Fifth Grade GOODE led two squads in determined resistance to a powerful German assault on an outpost at Saarlautern-Roden. Supported by tank fire, the enemy hurled waves of infantry against the accurate fire of Technician Fifth Grade GOODE'S element. Twenty-seven Germans fell in the gruelling fight. At night all the enemy resorted to infiltration, and to forestall the calamity of isolation Technician Fifth Grade GOODE organized an orderly withdrawal to his company area. His timely, resourceful and courageous leadership provided by Technician Fifth Grade GOODE reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

III. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S 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 Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following:

JOSEPH R. LYDON, 01289448, Captain, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Cetturu, Belgium, when fire enveloped a building occupied by the kitchen, headquarters and first platoon of Company A, Captain LYDON ascended a burning stairway in order to evacuate personnel trapped by raging flames on the third floor. The stairway collapsed, and after making certain that no one remained, Captain LYDON jumped to the ground from a window ledge. Outside it was discovered that one man was missing. Again Captain LYDON entered and searched the building despite the ever rising fire. The missing soldier could not be found but Captain LYDON guided two elderly civilians to safety. The heroic perseverance shown by Captain LYDON in face of the utmost danger reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

RALPH C. BONAVIST, 01301771, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Cetturu, Belgium. When fire enveloped a building occupied by the kitchen, headquarters and first platoon of Company A, First Lieutenant BONAVIST ascended a burning stairway in order to evacuate personnel trapped by raging flames on the third floor. The stairway collapsed, and after making certain that no one remained, First Lieutenant BONAVIST jumped to the ground from a window ledge. Outside it was discovered that one man was missing. Again First Lieutenant LYDON entered and searched the building despite the ever rising fire. The missing soldier could not be found but First Lieutenant BONAVIST guided two elderly civilians to safety. The heroic perseverance shown by First Lieutenant BONAVIST in face of the utmost danger reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN V. LA CROSSE JR, 36249244, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic not involving actual conflict with the enemy, on 31 January 1945, in the vicinity of Oetburn, Belgium. When fire enveloped a building occupied by the kitchen, headquarters and first platoon of Company A, Technical Sergeant LA CROSSE ascended a burning stairway in order to evacuate personnel trapped by raging flames on the third floor. The stairway collapsed, and after making certain that no one remained, Technical Sergeant LA CROSSE jumped to the ground from a window ledge. Outside it was discovered that one man was missing. Again Technical Sergeant LA CROSSE entered and searched the building despite the ever rising fire. The missing soldier could not be found but Technical Sergeant LA CROSSE aided two elderly civilians to safety. The heroic perseverance shown by Technical Sergeant LA CROSSE in face of the utmost danger reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDALS. By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 60047, 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 L. ARNDT, 37213103, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 and 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Sankt-Lauren-Roden, Germany. Given the mission of setting mines to combat enemy patrols nightly infiltrating Company L's zone in the Sankt-Lauren-Roden bridgehead, Technical Sergeant ARNDT worked throughout the night while exposed to harassing enemy fire and in constant danger of being captured. Returning the following night, he found one German killed by one of his cleverly-emplaced booby traps. After replacing the mine, Technical Sergeant ARNDT spent the remaining hours of darkness setting more booby traps despite the enemy's almost continuous artillery and mortar fire. Technical Sergeant ARNDT'S fearless tenacity of purpose and initiative, aiding immeasurably in the defense of the vital bridgehead, reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

GEORGE BARNIA, 36256752, Private First Class (Then Private), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraalautern, Germany. Under fierce German shelling Private First Class BARNIA and another volunteer persevered in examining a line of wire communications for breaks caused by enemy shells. They carried on in darkness, under increasing fire, for an hour, checking a half mile of wire in this time. Then, a mortar shell exploded nearby, killing Private First Class BARNIA'S companion and wounding Private First Class BARNIA. The contribution of Private First Class BARNIA to the eventual restoration of the vital wire communications was great, and his courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLIFFORD BELTZ, 37208247, Corporal, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Kuronge, France. Near Kuronge, during the advance on Metz, riflemen supported by Corporal BELTZ' mortar section came into point blank range of two German eighty-eight millimeter pieces. Although his weapon was within plain view of the hostile artillery, Corporal BELTZ remained at his post, manipulating his mortar so skillfully that both eighty-eight millimeter

pieces were destroyed. Corporal BALTZ' intrepid performance of duty enabled the riflemen to capture the German gun crews and continue their advance. The calm prowess which he displayed on this occasion reflects distinct credit on Corporal BALTZ and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

HALFOR L. MOORE, 35411188, Staff Sergeant (Then Corporal), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Baronge, France. Near Baronge, during the advance on Metz, riflemen supported by Staff Sergeant MOORE's mortar section came into point blank range of two German eighty-eight millimeter pieces. Although his weapon was within plain view of the hostile artillery, Staff Sergeant MOORE remained at his post, manipulating his mortar so skillfully that both eighty-eight millimeter pieces were destroyed. Staff Sergeant MOORE's intrepid performance of duty enabled the riflemen to capture the German gun crews and continue their advance. The calm prowess which he displayed on this occasion reflects distinct credit on Staff Sergeant MOORE and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERT COATES, 35388543, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Falck, France. When the normal leader became a casualty, Staff Sergeant COATES vigorously reorganized his section and led it in repelling a powerful German assault. Later in the action a withdrawal was ordered and Staff Sergeant COATES conducted this maneuver with staunch leadership. Throughout this action Staff Sergeant COATES' conduct was exemplary in courage and in skill, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JACK A. CREASEY, 35638829, Corporal (Then Private First Class), INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Einsdorf, Germany. Corporal CREASEY has distinguished himself repeatedly by skillfully performing his duty as radio telephone operator with a forward observer team under heavy enemy fire. At one observation post Corporal CREASEY insisted upon remaining at his post although his proximity to the enemy made him subject to friendly artillery. On this occasion he assisted in the direction of close-in fire which proved devastating to the enemy, materially assisting the advance of friendly infantry. Corporal CREASEY'S courageous and devoted service reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

HENRY W. KWADFF, 36528637, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 September 1944 to 26 December 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOHN P. LOIDGE, C17235, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

LEONARD P. ROGNEY, C1304792, Captain, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from New York.

✓ MOSES M. CUTLER, 0392018, Captain, CAV, ****Reconnaissance Troop, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

✓ GLYDE E. CRUM, 37209971, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 11 February 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

✓ BOYD H. CRANE, 36355491, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ ANDREW P. LANCEY JR, 6992614, Technical Sergeant, GMP, Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ ERNEST B. WILDER, 01165357, Captain, FA, Headquarters, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 25 November 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ ROBERT J. DOMFINO, 32617021, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

✓ GEORGE W. ROGERS, 36357329, Staff Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

V. AWARD OF AIR 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 Air Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ HENRY R. SEGNER, 01165565, Captain, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ RICHARD E. MICHAELSEN, 01175241, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ VI. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders Number 48, this Headquarters, dated 26 February 1945, as pertains to GEORGE T. STILLMAN, O# 37749, Lieutenant Colonel, CAC, Headquarters, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, as reads "15 October 1944 to 29 January 1945" is amended to read "13 November 1944 to 29 January 1945".

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I. AWARD, MISSING IN ACTION, 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:

EDDIE HART, 37421607, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Freulanten, Germany. On the morning of 4 December 1944 Private First Class HART left cover and moved across thirty-five yards of open terrain to a group of wounded soldiers who lay under enemy mortar shelling. Assisted by another volunteer, Private First Class HART moved seven of the wounded to cover, where medical attention was given. Later, Private First Class HART was one of a patrol which moved out along the Saar River to seek contact with the main body of Company I. He did not return from this hazardous mission. The heroic devotion to duty given by Private First Class HART reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

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:

WILLIAM P. BROWN, 0533417, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Falck, France. In an attack on a strongly defended high hill southeast of Falck Second Lieutenant BROWN led his men with conspicuous gallantry and skill. Although he was wounded during this action Second Lieutenant BROWN refused to be evacuated, and he continued to direct the relentless attack until the mission was accomplished. Second Lieutenant BROWN's resolute devotion to duty in the face of powerful enemy resistance reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

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:

EMIL L. MORRIS, 35318902, Private, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with

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military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. In spite of fierce enemy shelling Private MORRIS and another volunteer persevered in examining a line of wire communications for breaks caused by German shells. In darkness, under unceasing fire, Private MORRIS checked a half mile of the communication line in one hour. Then, a mortar shell exploded nearby, killing him. Private MORRIS' fearless devotion to duty made possible the eventual restoration of extremely urgent communications. His heroic conduct reflects lasting honor on Private MORRIS and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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:

ROBERT C. GARDENHIRE, 38019570, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Altforweiler, Germany. In advance of the main body of his battalion Technician Fourth Grade GARDENHIRE led his section of Battery A to a new position near Altforweiler in order to deliver night artillery fire on the enemy. Technician Fourth Grade GARDENHIRE accomplished his mission despite heavy enemy shelling en route and on the new position. Technician Fourth Grade GARDENHIRE'S intrepid performance of duty, making possible the delivery of timely and accurate night fire, reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

BOYD H. SMITH, 35556576, Private First Class, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 December 1944 to 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire Private First Class SMITH continuously maintained wire communications between a forward switchboard and an artillery liaison officer who was with an advancing infantry element. Private First Class SMITH'S intrepid performance of duty enabled the artillery to fire close support for the attacking infantry throughout the six day's action. His courageous and skillful achievement reflects distinct credit on Private First Class SMITH and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

CARL A. BRUALDI, 35316221, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guerting, France. Member of the forward observer team accompanying forward infantry elements into Guerting, Sergeant BRUALDI maintained communications between the observation post and gun positions during successful operations in which bitterly defended enemy mortar and machine gun emplacements were destroyed. Although Sergeant BRUALDI received a shrapnel wound while laying wire across completely open ground, he persisted heroically at this vital task, maintaining uninterruptedly the essential communications until all enemy resistance was eliminated. Sergeant BRUALDI'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CLAYTON A. BECK, 39210653, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 January 1945 to 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade BECK, member of the forward

observer party of Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, worked almost constantly for three days and nights maintaining wire and radio communications for the forward observer. On many occasions coming under direct enemy sniper and machine gun fire and menaced by almost continuous artillery and mortar barrages, Technician Fifth Grade BECK performed his mission fearlessly and efficiently, undeterred by the dangers attending his every act. Technician Fifth Grade BECK'S determined, resolute conduct under enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

FREDERICK B. STEPHANS, 01170569, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 January 1945 to 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Although the initial forward observation post established by First Lieutenant STEPHANS in Fraulautern was made untenable by violent mortar and small arms fire, he fearlessly reconnoitered under constant enemy fire and quickly established two new observation posts. Constant observation was maintained by First Lieutenant STEPHANS for two days in his new location despite enemy mortar shell fragments and rifle bullets which penetrated the observation post numerous times. In order to insure unbroken communications during missions fired in support of the infantry, First Lieutenant STEPHANS established alternate wire lines. First Lieutenant STEPHANS' high personal courage and resolute devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

WOODROW W. LANE, 6276751, First Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 October 1944 to 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

GLENN A. MC MULLEN, 37331703, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 October 1944 to 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Colorado.

WILLIAM R. EUCKMAN, 36078185, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 October 1944 to 21 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

MARLIN L. UTILEY, 37010894, Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

JOSEPH S. CIPIANOSKI, 33397214, Private First Class, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

WILBERT M. TWEMAN, 0473289, Major, MC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JAMES Y. ARMACOST, 0282097, Major, DC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

OSCAR A. VAILEN DOOREN, W2108602, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 November 1944 to 20 February 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

JASPER T. BRESOLANI, 36577184, Corporal, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

EDWIN A. SCROGGINS, 34393417, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Alabama.

THOMAS J. NEUBY, 3655884, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

V. AWARD OF FIRST 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 Air Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

PAUL C. HOOD, 01184669, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI. AWARD OF FOURTH 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 Air Medal and three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded, a fourth Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

GEORGE L. PERLICK, 01184128, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

HOWARD J. RUTZ, 01175298, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from New Mexico.

GORDON A. BAGGENSTOSS, 01180798, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from California.

VII. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE: Under the provisions of WD Circular Number 345, dated 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the 95th Signal Company for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period 10 December 1944 to 8 February 1945:

The 95th Signal Company performed in a superior manner the exceptionally difficult tasks which confronted it during the period 10 December 1944 to 8 February 1945. Complex and greatly extended channels of communication were installed and maintained with painstaking skill. Messenger service was made available at all times. A high standard of discipline was evident in the appearance, courtesy and conduct of all personnel and in the cleanliness of installations. No venereal disease, absence without leave, court-martials or punishment under the 104th Article of War occurred during the period involved. The enthusiastic and resolute devotion to duty given by the officers, warrant officers and enlisted men of the 95th Signal Company contributed substantially to the achievements of the 95th Infantry Division, reflecting great credit on them and on the military service.

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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 Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the followings:

GEORGE E. MOINEAU, 31080299, Technical Sergeant (Then Private), INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When a terrific explosion rocked Company D, advancing into Metz, and inflicted heavy casualties, Technical Sergeant MOINEAU calmly organized the men around him into a rescue party and immediately began evacuating wounded men to the aid station. Repeatedly braving small arms fire and the danger of further explosions, Technical Sergeant MOINEAU entered the area many times to search for casualties in the debris of wrecked buildings until satisfied that all the wounded had been evacuated. Technical Sergeant MOINEAU'S gallant and determined actions during this difficult time reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from the District of Columbia.

MERLE G. HUNT, 39553675, Private First Class, 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. Voluntarily facing fierce machine gun fire from nearby enemy-held bunkers, Private First Class HUNT succeeded in delivering a vital message to an embattled group of soldiers holding three pillboxes whose communications had been disrupted by hostile artillery fire and patrol activity. Later, he twice disregarded the ever-present hazards confronted in this area to lead successively a ration detail, a wire patrol and a mortar section successfully over the fire-swept route. Private First Class HUNT'S valiant conduct in assisting Company G to secure its positions in spite of grave danger to his personal safety reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

HOLLIS J. EUMBALOUGH, 35584605, Private First Class (Then Private), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. His squad faced with a growing shortage of ammunition after battling enemy attacks against its outpost all day, Private First Class EUMBALOUGH voluntarily returned, in spite of intense mortar fire, to the supply dump to secure additional ammunition. On his return, when ambushed by a hostile four-man patrol and forced to cover, Private First Class EUMBALOUGH calmly waited until the Germans were almost upon him, then threw three grenades, killing one and wounding the other three. Having eliminated the enemy patrol, he succeeded in reaching the outpost with the sorely needed ammunition. Private First Class EUMBALOUGH'S bold combat skill and heroic initiative reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

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A. O. WATSON, 35486107, Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 and 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. When Sergeant WATSON'S mortar section leader was wounded in a heavy artillery barrage, he remained, risking his life, to administer first aid to his comrade. Returning to cover only after the casualty had been evacuated, Sergeant WATSON then assumed command. The following morning an infiltrating enemy patrol fired on Sergeant WATSON'S section, temporarily interrupting its mortar fire. Sergeant WATSON, with fearless disregard for the hostile small arms fire, crawled toward the enemy and with carbine fire killed two Germans and forced the others to flee, enabling his section to continue firing its mission. Sergeant WATSON'S superbly heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOSEPH H. GUMHOLD, 36247408, Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Durck, Germany. Sergeant GUMHOLD'S machine gun squad, advancing toward a threatening enemy machine gun, was subjected to searching small arms fire, killing one squad member and wounding two others. After giving first aid to the casualties, Sergeant GUMHOLD, accompanied by an assistant, intrepidly advanced two hundred yards up a draw under ever-increasing fire. Setting up his gun one hundred yards away from the hostile emplacement, Sergeant GUMHOLD opened fire, silencing the enemy weapon, killing four Germans and capturing three. Sergeant GUMHOLD'S valorous performance under intense enemy fire reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HAROLD ROGOVSKY, 32992882, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Quickly opening fire with his machine gun when he saw twenty-five Germans approaching, Staff Sergeant ROGOVSKY killed nine, wounded several others and forced the remainder to disperse into buildings nearby. Although the scattered enemy troops began throwing heavy bazooka and small arms fire into his position, Staff Sergeant ROGOVSKY continued manning his gun throughout the night, thereby preventing the approach of enemy relief elements. When friendly patrols moved up at dawn, he directed their movement, effecting the capture of thirty-two prisoners. Staff Sergeant ROGOVSKY'S fearless devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALFONSO A. MAGES, 37209073, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 20 January 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

CLARENCE R. HURNS, 37427323, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 30 December 1944. Entered military service from Iowa.

CAROL E. JONES, 35140016, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 22 October 1944 to 30 October 1944. Entered military service from Indiana.

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LELAND D. MC CONNELL, 17003330, First Sergeant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 12 February 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

GEORGE C. RAAB, 36247032, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 12 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HAROLD C. DIMON, 37208902, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

WIN A. TESKY, 37293025, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 30 November 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

LEO J. HAUCK, 33236610, Technician Fourth Grade, FD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT V. WELLS, 37292171, Staff Sergeant, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

EDWARD F. FERRY, 39226736, Master Sergeant, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from California.

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SECTION I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD OF SILVER STAR

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:

CLARENCE H. SANSTOL, 19075082, Private, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When raking fire from an automatic weapon imperiled his machine gun squad Private SANSTOL left concealment and moved toward the enemy emplacement. Making his way through rubble he advanced undetected to the rear of the house occupied by the Germans. Catching the enemy crew completely by surprise, he opened fire with his rifle and killed two Germans manning the automatic weapon. Before he could gain cover Private SANSTOL was shot and killed. Private SANSTOL's heroic action, which single-handedly eliminated a powerful enemy weapon, reflects lasting honor on Private SANSTOL and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

ICELMIO SOTO, 33428355, Private, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. With complete disregard for his own safety Private SOTO, hurling a grenade, assaulted a German machine gun emplacement in order to save from annihilation a squad of friendly riflemen who were advancing into range of the hidden enemy emplacement. As the grenade left his hand, the Germans opened fire and killed Private SOTO instantly. The grenade then exploded in the midst of the enemy position, killing two members of the machine gun crew. Private SOTO's heroic act reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

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:

ROBERT W. COLVIN, 35485532, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant COLVIN and three companions were assigned the hazardous mission of seizing and holding a small hotel which overlooked a block of houses comprising Company A's objective. In fierce, aggressive action Staff Sergeant COLVIN and his comrades stormed the hotel, killing four of the enemy, capturing eight and seizing two machine guns. Then, using the captured enemy weapons, Staff Sergeant COLVIN's group withstood two determined German attempts to dislodge them. The superior combat skill and heroic devotion to duty shown by Staff Sergeant COLVIN greatly facilitated Company A's successful advance, reflecting high credit on Staff Sergeant COLVIN and on the military

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service. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOSEPH J. BUSZCZANICZ, 35333054, Private First Class, I F, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class BUSZCZANICZ and three companions were assigned the hazardous mission of seizing and holding a small hotel which overlooked a block of houses comprising Company A's objective. In fierce, aggressive action Private First Class BUSZCZANICZ and his comrades stormed the hotel, killing four of the enemy, capturing eight and seizing two machine guns. Then, using the captured enemy weapons, Private First Class BUSZCZANICZ' group withstood two determined German attempts to dislodge them. The superior combat skill and heroic devotion to duty shown by Private First Class BUSZCZANICZ, greatly facilitated Company A's successful advance, reflecting high credit on Private First Class BUSZCZANICZ and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

BENJAMIN STRANSKY, 37450668, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class STRANSKY and three companions were assigned the hazardous mission of seizing and holding a small hotel which overlooked a block of houses comprising Company A's objective. In fierce, aggressive action Private First Class STRANSKY and his comrades stormed the hotel, killing four of the enemy, capturing eight and seizing two machine guns. Then, using the captured enemy weapons, Private First Class STRANSKY'S group withstood two determined German attempts to dislodge them. The superior combat skill and heroic devotion to duty shown by Private First Class STRANSKY greatly facilitated Company A's successful advance, reflecting high credit on Private First Class STRANSKY and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

WALTER R. WAGNER, 35333283, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class WAGNER and three companions were assigned the hazardous mission of seizing and holding a small hotel which overlooked a block of houses comprising Company A's objective. In fierce, aggressive action Private First Class WAGNER and his comrades stormed the hotel, killing four of the enemy, capturing eight and seizing two machine guns. Then, using the captured weapons, Private First Class WAGNER'S group withstood two determined German attempts to dislodge them. The superior combat skill and heroic devotion to duty shown by Private First Class WAGNER greatly facilitated Company A's successful advance, reflecting high credit on Private First Class WAGNER and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LESLIE E. RICHARDSON, 01295273, First Lieutenant, I F, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. To completely protect the withdrawal of his combat patrol First Lieutenant RICHARDSON remained in single-handed combat with a strong enemy position for thirty minutes. Alternately firing his carbine and hurling grenades, he boldly engaged a German force by himself until his outnumbered patrol reached safety. Earlier in this action First Lieutenant RICHARDSON had eliminated a hostile machine gun emplacement with accurately thrown hand grenades. The staunch and fearless leadership given by First Lieutenant RICHARDSON reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

QUENTIN G. ALCORN, 15304160, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of his platoon was obstructed by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy bunker Sergeant ALCORN crawled to the bunker and entered it. Proceeding down the dark corridors he came upon the room from which the terrible fire was being delivered. Surprised by Sergeant ALCORN'S bold, stern demand, the entire garrison of twelve German soldiers surrendered themselves and their machine gun. Sergeant ALCORN'S daring action enabled his platoon to advance without interference from the bunker. His outstanding courage reflects great credit on Sergeant ALCORN and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

RUDOLPH E. FORCH, 20226228, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lalt, Holland. When his patrol leader and several other men were wounded by exploding mines on the east bank of the Mease River, Staff Sergeant FORCH immediately assumed command. Although painfully wounded himself, he hastily reorganized his group and directed the successful evacuation of the casualties across the river under fierce mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Setting up an emergency aid station on the west bank, Staff Sergeant FORCH organized litter carrying squads and completed the evacuation of all wounded men before submitting to medical treatment himself. Staff Sergeant FORCH'S valiant leadership and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

CHARLES L. ROBERTS, JR, 34923251, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spurecker, Germany. After returning with his platoon from a raid on German-held Spurecker, Private First Class ROBERTS unhesitatingly volunteered to return to the town to bring back a wounded comrade. Fearlessly entering enemy territory, he located the seriously wounded man and succeeded in carrying him back to safety and medical attention. Private First Class ROBERTS' intrepid, devoted action in saving the life of his comrade reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

RALSTON WEBSTER, 33315879, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 26 January 1945, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. With the mission of destroying a German pillbox, Private First Class WEBSTER and one companion advanced under heavy machine gun fire toward the maze of barbed wire surrounding the enemy position. Although his comrade was wounded by an exploding mine, Private First Class WEBSTER continued on alone to the pillbox and replaced both his and his companion's charges. Setting off a time fuse, he returned through the wired area and removed the wounded soldier to safety before the charges exploded, destroying the pillbox completely. Private First Class WEBSTER'S heroic courage under intense enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

TALBOT RICHLEY, 16177018, Sergeant, INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Leader of a squad seeking to locate an infiltrating

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enemy patrol, Sergeant HONEY was wounded by a grenade as he advanced well ahead of his men. As he fell, an enemy machine gun opened fire, forcing the squad to take cover. In spite of his wound and the swarming hostile fire, Sergeant HONEY arose and ran to the building in which the weapon was located. Throwing four grenades inside, killing the two-man gun crew, Sergeant HONEY then opened fire when the remaining patrol members sought to overpower him, wounding five Germans and routing the others. Sergeant HONEY'S heroic combat skill reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM C. SECREST, 34963503, Private First Class (Then Private), INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Lunen, Germany. When a well-hidden machine gun began firing on Company L, already under direct mortar and eighty-eight millimeter shelling, Private First Class SECREST voluntarily exposed himself to ascertain the gun's location. Locating it, he crawled across two hundred yards of open ground, braving continuous enemy fire, to a group of trees. From his concealed position he then opened fire with his rifle, killing two Germans and taking eight prisoners. Private First Class SECREST'S intrepid courage in eliminating a menacing German emplacement reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

STANLEY J. IWANSKY, 32591272, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Wolppy, France. Shortly after midnight, 16 November 1944, Sergeant IWANSKY assumed command of a machine gun section and four riflemen and for six hours heroically directed the small group's defense of its position against five furious enemy counter-attacks. Although ammunition was very low and communications with Company F's command post possible only by messenger, Sergeant IWANSKY kept his men organized and by unflinching vigilance succeeded in holding off the persistent enemy until supporting tanks arrived to relieve the situation. Sergeant IWANSKY'S tenacity of purpose and staunch leadership in holding his position despite violent enemy machine gun, bazooka and small arms fire reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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1. 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:

ROBERT F. GRABES SA, 33941153, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 24 December 1944, in the vicinity of Traulautern, Germany. When an enemy sniper forced Staff Sergeant GRABES' squad to temporary shelter, Staff Sergeant GRABES ran across sixty yards of fire-swept ground to the rear of the building occupied by the sniper. Inside, Staff Sergeant GRABES was fired on from the basement. He promptly returned the fire with his rifle, killing the enemy in the basement. Hearing more of the enemy on the second floor Staff Sergeant GRABES hurled several hand grenades upstairs, killing one German and wounding two. Staff Sergeant GRABES' initiative and daring in single-handedly eliminating four of the enemy reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WALTER F. WEINER, 35333249, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Standing guard in a house captured from the enemy, Staff Sergeant WEINER observed the approach of a German rifle platoon and two Mark IV tanks. Warning his comrades, Staff Sergeant WEINER adjusted his rifle for grenade-launching and when the tanks came within sixty yards of him he opened fire. The enemy replied with machine guns and rifles, but soon wavered before Staff Sergeant WEINER'S rapidly and accurately-fired grenades. Disabling one tank and killing or wounding twenty soldiers, Staff Sergeant WEINER was largely responsible for stopping and routing the determined enemy assault. Staff Sergeant WEINER'S gallant devotion to duty in the face of immensely superior enemy fire-power reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERTON L. MC CLURE, 34821325, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Traulautern, Germany. When German machine gun fire killed one and wounded two of his comrades, Technical Sergeant MC CLURE and the remainder of his five man patrol carried the casualties into the nearest building. A German soldier inside immediately threw a grenade, but Technical Sergeant MC CLURE quickly lobbed it back into the enemy-held room. Rushing in after the explosion, he killed two Germans by rifle fire and wounded two more when he threw a grenade into an adjoining room. Meeting three Germans descending the stairs to aid their comrades,

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Technical Sergeant MC CLURE countered their approach with furious rifle fire, killing one, wounding a second and routing the third. Technical Sergeant MC CLURE'S superb combat skill and high personal courage reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

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:

RAYMOND E. HORN, 37594266, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Observing preparations for an enemy counter-attack, Sergeant HORN boldly left his outpost after attempting valiantly but futilely to restore telephone communications with his company command post while under heavy mortar shelling. After proceeding fifty yards in the face of fierce enemy machine gun and small arms fire, Sergeant HORN was attacked by two Germans. Disdaining concealment, he fearlessly opened fire, killing one and wounding the other by his rapid, accurate fire. Continuing on intrepidly, Sergeant HORN reached the command post with his vital information. Sergeant HORN was killed in action on 21 January 1945 in Germany. His resolute, heroic devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on Sergeant HORN and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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:

ANTONE P. KRATICOS, O1297214, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 November 1944 to 22 January 1945, in the vicinity of Boulay, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Throughout an extended period of combat First Lieutenant KRATICOS, leading an Intelligence and Reconnaissance Platoon, furnished his regimental commander information invaluable in the planning and execution of successful offensive action. Operating with forward elements, First Lieutenant KRATICOS and his men probed mine fields, reported bridge destruction and kept the regimental command post continuously informed as to the progress of attacking battalions. Working fearlessly under heavy mortar and artillery fire, First Lieutenant KRATICOS led his men staunchly in the successful accomplishment of assigned missions. First Lieutenant KRATICOS' inspiring leadership, bold aggressiveness and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

RAYMOND W. BROSTROM, 37286669, Corporal, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. During the period 9 November 1944 to 20 January 1945 Corporal BROSTROM repeatedly distinguished himself as a mortar gunner in Company M, ****Infantry Regiment. His resolute devotion to duty under fire in the offensive operations which took his unit from Maizières-les-Metz, France to Saarlautern, Germany was consistently inspiring to his comrades, reflecting great credit on Corporal BROSTROM and exemplifying high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

WALTER H. GROFFER, O4C1725, Captain (Then First Lieutenant), INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. During the period 18 October 1944 to 18 December 1944 Captain GROFFER performed his duty as a mortar platoon leader with outstanding skill and courage. Brilliantly employing his mortars in the delivery of devastating fire on the enemy, and in laying entirely successful smoke screens, Captain GROFFER displayed leadership and initiative of a high order. Captain GROFFER's heroic achievement in combat reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

CHARLES L. KIGGINS, O1301835, First Lieutenant, 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 24 February 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. As communications section leader, First Lieutenant KIGGINS established and maintained communications between the mobile, scattered units of his battalion throughout a long, arduous period of combat operations. His constant policing of wire communications under heavy enemy fire during initial stages of the Fraulautern attack enabled the battalion commander to coordinate movement and fire despite intense hostile opposition. First Lieutenant KIGGINS' initiative in placing radio relay stations during the attacks on both Ober-Limburg and Fraulautern contributed materially to the success of the operations. His resourceful, fearless devotion to duty in the face of constant enemy resistance reflects great credit on First Lieutenant KIGGINS and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

MURTON F. HOOD JR, O25729, First Lieutenant, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. While giving close support to the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, advancing between Fraulautern and Ensdorf, First Lieutenant HOOD remained at his observation post under sustained mortar fire. Later, First Lieutenant HOOD moved forward to a position from which cannon fire could be directed against an enemy pillbox hindering the attacking riflemen. Although driven from the building four times by German eighty-eight millimeter fire, he returned after each barrage and, by skilful adjustment of fire, silenced the pillbox and permitted the infantry to continue advancing. First Lieutenant HOOD'S courageous, unswerving devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ROSS E. CASE, O54C917, First Lieutenant (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Illange and Denting, France. As anti-tank platoon leader First Lieutenant CASE repeatedly distinguished himself in action against the enemy during the period 15 November 1944 to 30 November 1944. On one occasion, when the Second Battalion's advance was obstructed by machine gun and bazooka fire from a strongly-entrenched enemy force, First Lieutenant CASE quickly organized two bazooka teams and led them forward. With nine rounds of accurately delivered fire his element promptly neutralized the German strong point. The fearlessly aggressive leadership consistently given by First Lieutenant CASE reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

JOHN F. MISZCZAK, 36509462, Corporal, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 23 November 1944 to 29 January 1945, in the vicinity of Falck, France and Emsdorf, Germany. Under intense enemy fire Corporal MISZCZAK operated a radio with a forward observation party during continuous action near Falck. On one occasion, the officer in command of the observation party was wounded and evacuated. Corporal MISZCZAK took charge and continued the delivery of accurate fire on the enemy. The resolute devotion to duty and high technical skill displayed by Corporal MISZCZAK reflect distinct credit upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

HAROLD W. MORRIS, 36063572, Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. While his company was engaged in the campaigns against Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany, Sergeant MORRIS performed his duty as communications sergeant with outstanding devotion and consistently superior skill. On one occasion under heavy enemy fire he installed communications between his company command post and a forward machine gun platoon. Sergeant MORRIS' disregard for his own safety has been an inspiration to his comrades. His heroic achievement reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN G. SJOBERG, 16087864, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of Halt, Holland. Under intense mortar shelling Private First Class SJOBERG, although wounded himself, led two groups of litter bearers along a perilous and unfamiliar route to other wounded men of his combat patrol. Under Private First Class SJOBERG'S leadership the evacuation of casualties was successfully accomplished. The gallant disregard of self displayed by Private First Class SJOBERG on this occasion reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

CARL S. GOODWIN, JR, 01165735, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 February 1945, in the vicinity of Lindern, Germany. First Lieutenant GOODWIN has consistently displayed outstanding courage and devotion to duty under fire in his capacity as forward observer with a battery of the ****Field Artillery Battalion. Near Lindern he accurately registered the battalion's fire on enemy positions despite intense artillery and mortar shelling directed at his observation post. First Lieutenant GOODWIN'S intrepid achievements reflect distinct credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

CARL D. TINCHER, 35438206, Corporal, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 27 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. During a German counter-attack in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden Corporal TINCHER'S observation post was surrounded by the enemy, and all wire communications were severed, making it impossible to adjust artillery fire on the hostile force. In this critical situation Corporal TINCHER dashed through sniper fire and obtained a radio which enabled the forward observer to direct accurate fire on the enemy. Corporal TINCHER'S gallant action was largely

responsible for repelling the counter-attack, reflecting great credit on him and on his military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

WESLEY I. CARTER, 38154656, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company S, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On outpost duty in a house in Saarlautern-Roden Staff Sergeant CARTER and four comrades fought off repeated German assaults which employed machine guns, rocket launchers, grenades and rifles. Against fifty German soldiers, bent on reducing the house and seizing a tank destroyer on the street outside, Staff Sergeant CARTER and his companions held firm. Firing accurately and rapidly, they killed or wounded twenty of the enemy, destroyed two machine guns and three rocket launchers. Staff Sergeant CARTER'S participation in this heroic action, which utterly routed the vastly superior German force, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

ALLEN W. MURRE, 36976261, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On outpost duty in a house in Saarlautern-Roden Private First Class MURRE and four comrades fought off repeated German assaults which employed machine guns, rocket launchers, grenades and rifles. Against fifty German soldiers, bent on reducing the house and seizing a tank destroyer on the street outside, Private First Class MURRE and his companions held firm. Firing accurately and rapidly, they killed or wounded twenty of the enemy, destroyed two machine guns and three rocket launchers. Private First Class MURRE'S participation in this heroic action, which utterly routed the vastly superior German force, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

WILLIAM E. SIMNETT, 39343628, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On outpost duty in a house in Saarlautern-Roden Private First Class SIMNETT and four comrades fought off repeated German assaults which employed machine guns, rocket launchers, grenades and rifles. Against fifty German soldiers bent on reducing the house and seizing a tank destroyer on the street outside, Private First Class SIMNETT and his companions held firm. Firing accurately and rapidly, they killed or wounded twenty of the enemy, destroyed two machine guns and three rocket launchers. Private First Class SIMNETT'S participation in this heroic action, which utterly routed the vastly superior German force, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Montana.

CREN H. WESTLUND, 36062310, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On outpost duty in a house in Saarlautern-Roden Private First Class WESTLUND and four comrades fought off repeated German assaults which employed machine guns, rocket launchers, grenades and rifles. Against fifty German soldiers, bent on reducing the house and seizing a tank destroyer on the street outside, Private First Class WESTLUND and his companions held firm. Firing accurately and rapidly, they killed or wounded twenty of the enemy, destroyed two machine guns and three rocket launchers. Private First Class WESTLUND'S participation in this heroic

action, which utterly routed the vastly superior German force, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE L. DICHAZI, 35389120, Private First Class, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On outpost duty in a house in Saarlautern-Roden Private First Class DICHAZI and four comrades fought off repeated German assaults which employed machine guns, rocket launchers, grenades and rifles. Against fifty German soldiers bent on reducing the house and seizing a tank destroyer on the street outside, Private First Class DICHAZI and his companions held firm. Firing accurately and bravely, they killed or wounded twenty of the enemy, destroyed the machine guns and three rocket launchers. Private First Class DICHAZI's participation in this heroic action, which utterly routed the vastly superior German force, reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HAROLD E. WALTERS, 33255242, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery A, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 December 1944 to 28 February 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

CARL W. SLIEM, 01165572, Captain, FA, Service Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 28 January 1945 to 1 February 1945. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

GIS K. MONRAD, 36249663, Technical Sergeant, Ord Dept, **** Ordnance Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 21 February 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

MICHAEL VIFARLA, 12067117, Technician Fourth Grade, Ord Dept, **** Ordnance Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 21 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

JOSEPH C. TEBUSCO, 0502634, Captain, MC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 20 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM F. EUCK, 33579611, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 20 December 1944. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOSEF L. FRIDLY, 35/11/02, Technician Fifth Grade, I.F, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 26 December 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

FREDERT A. COBESCI, 01112725, First Lieutenant, CE, Headquarters Military Intelligence Service, European Theater of Operations, United States Army,

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(attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 26 January 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

EDWARD F. ANDERSON, O1C42219, Captain, CAC, Headquarters Military Intelligence Service, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, (attached this Headquarters), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 26 January 1945. Entered military service from New York.

ROBERT T. UNGERMAN, O1640091, First Lieutenant, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 19 February 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

RAYMOND C. CARR, O1641672, First Lieutenant, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 19 February 1945. Entered military service from New York.

DONALD M. DICKER, 37011215, Technician Third Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 25 February 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

IV. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE: Under the provisions of WD Circular Number 345, dated 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 January 1945:

The Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, performed in a superior manner the exceptionally difficult tasks which confronted it during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 January 1945. Traffic over the long and frequently hazardous roads traveled by the 95th Infantry Division was expertly directed by personnel of this platoon. Thousands of prisoners of war were efficiently processed. The high standard of discipline implicit in the Platoon's consistently superior performance was evident in the appearance, courtesy and conduct of all personnel. Absence without leave and venereal disease did not occur. The enthusiastic devotion to duty given by the officers and enlisted men of the Military Police Platoon contributed substantially to the achievements of the 95th Infantry Division, reflecting great credit on them and on the military service.

V. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders, Number 35, this Headquarters, dated 4 December 1944, as reads, "JAMES H. TAMMERSLY, 35435655, First Sergeant, FA, ****Battery, 95th Division Artillery", is amended to read: "JAMES H. TAMMERSLY, 35435655, First Sergeant, FA, ****Battery, 95th Division Artillery".

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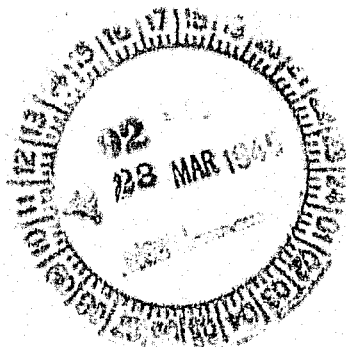
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SECTION I - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR
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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Memorandum No. 34, I.C.,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

WILFRED TEZAK, 39861461, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In bitter house to house fighting in Metz Private First Class TEZAK performed repeatedly valorous duty in aiding the wounded under heavy enemy fire. Observing a wounded infantry soldier lying exposed to hostile fire in an open square, Private First Class TEZAK without hesitation went to the side of the casualty. In so doing he was hit by rifle fire but this did not deter him from administering first aid to the previously wounded man. While evacuating his patient to cover, Private First Class TEZAK collapsed. Before aid could be given he died of his wounds. The heroic conduct of Private First Class TEZAK reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Arizona.

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

AUGUST J. CASTRO, 35316350, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Leading a squad of five men, Technical Sergeant CASTRO moved across one hundred yards of open terrain raked with machine gun and small arms fire to make a frontal assault on an enemy stronghold. Although two men were hit, Technical Sergeant CASTRO resolutely advanced with his remaining men to the window through which the Germans were firing. After throwing two grenades, he led his men in through the window, killing the three Germans he found inside. Technical Sergeant CASTRO and his men then boldly fought their way through the house, capturing ten enemy soldiers and eliminating the stubbornly-resisting outpost. Technical Sergeant CASTRO'S vigorous leadership and heroic devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

MARICE MILLER, 35485563, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When violent enemy fire wounded the leaders and several other members of two rifle squads attacking a mall occupied by

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fifty Germans, Private First Class MILLER ordered his unwounded comrades to deliver fire on the building while he sought aid for the casualties. Braving machine gun and rifle fire to load a medical soldier to the scene, he then directed the walking wounded to safety and made five trips across the fire-swept street, carrying the more serious casualties. Having supervised the evacuation of all casualties, Private First Class MILLER covered his men's withdrawal with accurate automatic rifle fire, his staunch, resourceful leadership under intense enemy fire reflects great credit on Private First Class MILLER and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act CCC-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:

SOLOMON J. KUTHEROFF, 12158850, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During a four day action near Fraulautern Private First Class KUTHEROFF operated the radio with a forward observation party. Despite heavy enemy shelling, which twice drove him from his observation post, Private First Class KUTHEROFF placed accurate cannon fire on a German eighty-eight millimeter gun, neutralizing it. The heroic determination with which Private First Class KUTHEROFF performed his duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM E. SCOTT, 39203270, Corporal, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Under intense enemy fire Corporal SCOTT operated the radio with a forward observation party during a four day action at Fraulautern. In spite of his own proximity to the target, and the close menace of hostile mortar and sniper fire, Corporal SCOTT succeeded in relaying information which resulted in the destruction of a German machine gun position. The resolute devotion to duty and high technical skill displayed by Corporal SCOTT reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

CHESTER J. SCHAB, 36451899, Private First Class, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. After crossing an area raked by hostile machine gun fire, Private First Class SCHAB, a radio operator, relayed information to his forward observation party which resulted in the delivery of accurate cannon fire on an enemy pillbox. Four times forced from his radio by thunderous shelling, he returned each time to continue his vital work. Private First Class SCHAB'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JAMES E. PETTIS, 34445792, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Haizieres-les-Betz, France. Reinforcements coming to the relief of Private First Class PETTIS' platoon, which

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was isolated from the main body of the company and undergoing heavy shelling, encountered intense enemy fire and suffered many casualties. Without regard for his own safety, Private First Class PETHIS rushed out into the terrible shelling and administered first aid to the wounded. Private First Class PETHIS has repeatedly distinguished himself under fire, and his courage has been an inspiration to his comrades, reflecting great credit on him and exemplifying the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Georgia.

VARSHIL O. SPENCER, 15070668, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Jernulautern, Germany, when three tires on a medical vehicle were flattened during a heavy German artillery barrage Private First Class SPENCER, who was engaged in replacing an anti-tank gun, braved the intense fire to change them. Private First Class SPENCER's heroic action enabled the evacuation of battle casualties to be carried on at once. The fearless, timely initiative which he displayed reflects great credit on Private First Class SPENCER and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

JOHN A. MORAN, 35761760, Private First Class, I.F, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 February 1945, in the vicinity of halt, Holland, returning from reconnaissance coop on the enemy held bank of a large river, the patrol in which Private First Class MORAN was radio operator entered a mine field. Exploding mines caused several casualties. Private First Class MORAN was himself wounded, but with great fortitude he continued to carry his radio, remaining in communication with friendly forces on the far bank of the river. His resolute decision was largely responsible for the prompt procurement of medical aid for his comrades. Private First Class MORAN'S heroic achievement reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ROLAND A. WOOD, 31411135, Private First Class, I.F, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Guiding his platoon in an attack on an enemy pillbox, Private First Class WOOD was proceeding up a trench toward the bunker when he discovered many German soldiers in a dugout at the entrance. Determining that the position was the reinforcement assembly point for nearby pillboxes, Private First Class WOOD and his comrades, waiting silently until the hostile troops had dispersed, attacked the pillbox, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing thirty prisoners. During the night, he assisted valiantly in beating off two determined enemy counter-attacks. Private First Class WOOD'S bold and resolute behavior reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

JOHN H. GOOD, 33371341, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Guiding his platoon in an attack on an enemy pillbox, Private First Class GOOD was proceeding up a trench toward the bunker when he discovered many German soldiers in a dugout at the entrance. Determining that the position was the reinforcement assembly point for nearby pillboxes, Private First Class GOOD and his comrades, waiting silently until the hostile troops had dispersed, attacked the pillbox, inflicting heavy casualties and capturing thirty prisoners. During the night, he

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assisted valiantly in beating off two determined enemy counter-attacks; Private First Class GOOD'S bold and resolute behavior reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

LEWIS E. FOSTER, 3304095, Private First Class (Then Private), INF, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On guard with another soldier, Private First Class FOSTER and his comrade met an advancing enemy tank with bazooka fire, scoring a direct hit with the first round. The second and third volleys were also perfectly aimed, crippling the tank but not putting it completely out of action. Withstanding the tank fire at point blank range on the house occupied by Private First Class FOSTER, wounding his companion. Although stunned by the blast, Private First Class FOSTER rushed to secure help for his wounded comrade. Private First Class FOSTER'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

HAROLD W. MCALT, 3640881, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. With complete disregard for his own safety Private First Class MCALT, a machine gunner, evacuated a group of wounded soldiers from a cellar which lay under the direct observation and fire of the enemy. His gallantry and extremely high personal courage resulted in the saving of many of his comrades' lives, and his action on this occasion is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARTHUR G. KROUSE, 3532444, Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When all communications between company B and the battalion command post were severed, Sergeant KROUSE led a five-man patrol back to secure a tank destroyer to aid in holding forward positions. Encountering six Germans, Sergeant KROUSE forced their abrupt withdrawal with two well-placed grenades. Returning, Sergeant KROUSE and his men were leading the tank destroyer toward the company area when attacked by another enemy patrol, equipped with a rocket launcher. Sergeant KROUSE, refusing to seek cover, remained to direct effective tank destroyer fire on the enemy position, forcing its abandonment. The courage and resourcefulness displayed by Sergeant KROUSE on this occasion reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

RICHARD GILBERT, 7006316, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. While Staff Sergeant GILBERT'S platoon was moving to new positions across an open street under enemy mortar and eighty-eight millimeter fire, a squad leader was wounded severely. Staff Sergeant GILBERT, accompanied by another soldier, ran into the fire-covered street and brought the casualty back thirty yards to safety and medical attention. Staff Sergeant GILBERT'S gallant conduct in saving a comrade's life, while risking his own, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

CLIFFORD L. WHITE, 36248934, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany while Technical Sergeant White's rifle platoon was moving to new positions across an open street under enemy mortar and eighty-eight millimeter fire, a squad leader was wounded severely. Technical Sergeant White, accompanied by another soldier, ran into the fire-covered street and brought the casualty back forty yards to safety and medical attention. Technical Sergeant White's gallant conduct in saving a comrade's life, while risking his own, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

OTTO L. SMITH, 35486557, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Platoon guide, Staff Sergeant Smith heroically made his way under hostile mortar and sniper fire to locate and repair communication lines between his platoon and Company G's command post. Although his path was open to enemy observation and was almost completely lacking in cover or concealment, Staff Sergeant Smith was not deterred by great personal risk from the successful completion of his task. Staff Sergeant Smith's resolute performance of duty reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOHN J. IVERSEN, 37449132, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When advancing enemy tanks opened direct fire on the house occupied by Private First Class IVERSEN's platoon, wounding a soldier on guard, Private First Class IVERSEN immediately rushed from the basement to the upper floor to aid the wounded man. In spite of the tanks' continuing fire, which was battering down the walls of the room, he lifted the casualty in his arms and carried him to safety. Private First Class IVERSEN'S gallant action on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

JOHN D. LESTER, 36351882, Technical Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, **** Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT S. EMERSON, 37287498, Staff Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, **** Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 16 November 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JAMES F. KOWALSKI, 36356603, Technical Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, **** 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 Illinois.

DOUGLAS E. THOMPSON, 16150200, Sergeant, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, **** Engineer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 8 December 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

NICHOLAS F. SHAHERN, 35232055, Private First Class, MD, Company D, ****
Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations,
from 20 October 1944 to 20 February 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

RICHARD M. REDMON, 0132053, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company,
****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military oper-
ations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 February 1945. Entered
military service from Illinois.

VALLEY P. HOSSELL, 35286451, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company,
****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military oper-
ations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 February 1945. Entered mili-
tary service from Kentucky.

JEROME P. KECHNER, 0385596, Captain, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters
Company, 5th Infantry Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connec-
tion with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 24
February 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

JOHN W. COOK JR, 0441753, First Lieutenant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****
Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations
against the enemy, from 3 November 1944 to 10 January 1945. Entered military
service from Rhode Island.

WILLIAM F. MILLIGAN, 7214391, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Service
Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with mili-
tary operations against the enemy, from 24 November 1944 to 20 February 1945.
Entered military service from Nebraska.

STANLEY R. STEINBO, 1602524, First Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****
Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations
against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military
service from Illinois.

IV. ENCLOSURE: As much of General Orders, Number 31, this Headquarters,
dated 3 February 1945, as pertains to "WUDOLPH TEZAR, 39861461, Private First
Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment" is hereby rescinded.

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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 Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

HARLAN C. SWARD, 16072589, Technical Sergeant (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When a German machine gun opened fire on a group of soldiers who were going to evacuate friendly casualties, Technical Sergeant SWARD, with no regard for his own safety, advanced on the enemy gun. After he had crawled to within fifteen yards of the emplacement the Germans sighted him and fired deliberately on him. Technical Sergeant SWARD boldly took a throwing-stance and hurled two hand grenades at the Germans, silencing their weapon. Technical Sergeant SWARD'S fearless action, which safeguarded evacuation of the wounded, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of 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 Memorandum No. 34, Hq. Ninth U. S. Army, 8 September 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LUCIEN M. SHOCKLEY, 37288463, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in France and Germany. Ammunition and pioneer platoon truck driver during the period 8 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, Technician Fifth Grade SHOCKLEY performed his duties fearlessly under hazardous combat conditions. Braving continuous artillery fire at Uckange, France on 13 November 1944, he drove his ammunition-laden vehicle to the bank of the Moselle to expedite the ferrying of his vital cargo across the river. Later near Ihn, Germany, Technician Fifth Grade SHOCKLEY volunteered to drive a truck filled with tools over a mined road to supply men constructing a bridge for anti-tank weapons advancing to stem an enemy counter-attack. Technician Fifth Grade SHOCKLEY'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

GEORGE C. LEONARD, 35488123, Private First Class, INF, Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 and 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. Setting out from their battalion command post in the late afternoon to deliver supplies to Company G, Private First Class LEONARD and one companion threaded their hazardous way through mine fields and tank traps. Unable to reach the company

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after four hours, the two men returned to the battalion for further instructions. Determined to complete their mission, they started out again. This time they were successful. Returning, Private First Class LEONARD and his comrade guided a wire team over the perilous, mine-strewn route from the company to the battalion command post. Private First Class LEONARD'S resolute devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

HOWARD H. REYNOLDS, 34388545, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 and 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. Setting out from their battalion command post in the late afternoon to deliver overloads to Company G, Private First Class REYNOLDS and one companion threaded their hazardous way through mine fields and tank traps. Unable to reach the company after four hours, the two men returned to the battalion for further instructions. Determined to complete their mission, they started out again. This time they were successful. Returning, Private First Class REYNOLDS and his comrade guided a wire team over the perilous, mine-strewn route from the company to the battalion command post. Private First Class REYNOLDS' resolute devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

OTIS HANSON, 38100650, Technician Fifth Grade (Then Private First Class), MD, Medical Detachment, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. Hastily organizing an emergency litter team to evacuate casualties suffered by the Third Battalion in heavy fighting near Teterchen, Technician Fifth Grade HANSON voluntarily led his group through enemy mine fields and fierce shelling for trips as long as two miles. Working constantly throughout the night, with three different teams, he refused to cease his heroic, exhausting activity until every wounded man had been removed from the battlefield. Technician Fifth Grade HANSON'S valiant, devoted service under perilous conditions reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from New Mexico.

LEONARD J. SOWA, 36359756, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 January 1945, in the vicinity of Spurcker, Germany. In the face of German machine gun and rifle fire Staff Sergeant SOWA staunchly led his squad in an assault on an enemy-held building just outside Spurcker. This action was intended to divert the enemy's attention from the main effort which was directed at the town itself, and largely due to Staff Sergeant SOWA'S skillful and courageous leadership the mission was promptly accomplished. Staff Sergeant SOWA'S intrepid conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GLENN W. HILL, 3720687, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merten, France. In the attack on Merten, Staff Sergeant HILL led his squad against a German strongpoint which was defended by four machine gun crews. Although greatly outnumbered, Staff Sergeant HILL'S

men assaulted the enemy position with such dauntless vigor that the stunned German force of twenty-five soldiers surrendered. Continuing the attack, Staff Sergeant HILL's squad stormed an enemy-held building and captured fifteen Germans. The staunch, spirited leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant HILL reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

BENJAMIN A. BORUCKI, 36248271, Private First Class, INF, Company A, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Under a hail of enemy fire Private First Class BORUCKI moved to where four of his wounded comrades lay. With bullets striking the ground about him he persevered in his self-assigned duty until all four of the casualties were carried to safety. Private First Class BORUCKI's heroic deed reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LEWIS F. CASEY, 36357173, Sergeant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Under a hail of enemy fire Sergeant CASEY moved to where four of his wounded comrades lay, with bullets striking the ground about him he persevered in his self-assigned duty until all four of the casualties were carried to safety. Sergeant CASEY'S heroic deed reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

MATTHEW J. KRUKOSKI, 6397897, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Under a hail of enemy fire Staff Sergeant KRUKOSKI moved to where four of his wounded comrades lay. With bullets striking the ground about him he persevered in his self-assigned duty until all four of the casualties were carried to safety. Staff Sergeant KRUKOSKI'S heroic deed reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

GEORGE STEPHEN STIPETICH, 35315323, Private First Class, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Under a hail of enemy fire Private First Class STIPETICH moved to where four of his wounded comrades lay. With bullets striking the ground about him he persevered in his self-assigned duty until all four of the casualties were carried to safety. Private First Class STIPETICH'S heroic deed reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

DAVID J. BRODZELLER, 36808327, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Technical Sergeant BRODZELLER, occupying with his rifle platoon a recently-captured house in Saarlautern-Roden, observed German soldiers repairing tanks under a nearby railroad trestle. Waiting until given a good target, Technical Sergeant BRODZELLER fired with perfect aim and killed one of the enemy troops. Then standing firmly in his position while an enemy tank returned his fire, battering the walls down around him, Technical Sergeant BRODZELLER shot seven more times, accounting for a German with each shot. His outstanding marksmanship and unwavering personal courage reflect distinct credit on Technical

Sergeant BRODZELLER and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HUDSON D. OWEN, 36186501, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Firing from map data and receiving fire orders by radio, Staff Sergeant OWEN directed his mortar section with outstanding courage and skill in successfully supporting the attack and withdrawal of a combat patrol east of Gravelotte. During the patrol's withdrawal from a heavily-defended draw, Staff Sergeant OWEN furnished an especially vicious concentration of mortar fire when the patrol, beset by withering machine gun fire, radioed for immediate aid. The hostile machine gun was quickly silenced, and the patrol completed its withdrawal without casualties. Staff Sergeant OWEN'S skillful leadership and determined devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

HERBERT B. ANDERSON, 38072536, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. With the mission of leading tanks and tank destroyers to firing positions in Company B's area, Staff Sergeant ANDERSON made his way for five successive nights to his battalion headquarters through streets covered by machine gun and sniper fire. Dauntlessly ignoring the constant dangers attending his every move, Staff Sergeant ANDERSON succeeded each time in guiding the vehicles forward to supply fire power for his company's assault on stout enemy fortifications. Staff Sergeant ANDERSON'S heroic conduct during these hazardous missions reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES H. SEWELL, 34923265, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. As lead scout on a night reconnaissance patrol Private First Class SEWELL acted with great aggressiveness both in preceding his comrades into buildings along the route and later in finding and guiding to safety a wounded member of the patrol. Private First Class SEWELL'S exemplary initiative contributed substantially to the successful accomplishment of a difficult mission, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

WILLIAM A. ROOT II, 01245310, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. In an attack on a German strongpoint at Saarlautern-Roden First Lieutenant ROOT, who had just assumed command, led his company with outstanding skill and courage. Advancing with the foremost echelon, First Lieutenant ROOT set an example which his men vigorously followed. Despite bitter enemy resistance the objective was taken. The staunch leadership given by First Lieutenant ROOT reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Vermont.

BERNICE MILLS, 35485503, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations

against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When heavy machine gun fire from a German tank pinned down the second platoon of Company A, Private First Class MILLER, with two comrades, crawled forward with loaded rocket launchers. In an exposed position, Private First Class MILLER and his comrades fired boldly on the tank, destroying the hostile machine gun. This intrepid act enabled the platoon to resume its advance. Private First Class MILLER'S courage and marksmanship reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JESS Q. SANZ, 39707761, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When heavy machine gun fire from a German tank pinned down the second platoon of Company A, Private First Class SANZ, with two comrades, crawled forward with loaded rocket launchers. In an exposed position, Private First Class SANZ and his comrades fired boldly on the tank, destroying the hostile machine gun. This intrepid act enabled the platoon to resume its advance. Private First Class SANZ' courage and marksmanship reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

GUSTON M. JENKINS, 34923377, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When heavy machine gun fire from a German tank pinned down the second platoon of Company A, Private First Class JENKINS, with two comrades, crawled forward with loaded rocket launchers. In an exposed position, Private First Class JENKINS and his comrades fired boldly on the tank, destroying the hostile machine gun. This intrepid act enabled the platoon to resume its advance. Private First Class JENKINS' courage and marksmanship reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

WILLIAM J. FANN, 36355268, Staff Sergeant, QMC, ****Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

MICHAEL D. GILBERTSON, 37286101, Staff Sergeant, QMC, ****Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

TRACY R. WILSON, 36062168, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

WENDELL T. YOUNGSTROM, 37421544, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Iowa.

CHESTER E. MATTSON, 37286762, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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WILSON W. MITCHELL, 01292565, First Lieutenant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy; from 18 October 1944 to 24 February 1945. Entered military service from North Carolina.

ROYD M. WEBSTER, W2119497, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Headquarters Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 26 February 1945. Entered military service from California.

JAMES C. STEVENS, W2123102, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 23 February 1945. Entered military service from West Virginia.

GEORGE W. MC CLAMROCH, 34638125, Private First Class, INF, (Armored), Headquarters Company, **** Tank Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 September 1944 to 20 February 1945. Entered military service from Mississippi.

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:

DAVID M. FOSTER, 33904095, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany, when his squad was pinned down by intense fire from an enemy stronghold in Saarlautern-Roden, Private First Class FOSTER moved forward to give covering fire. Taking up his firing position, he heroically braved the heavy enemy fire to which he was exposed while emptying two bandoleers of ammunition. Having successfully facilitated the squad's advance from its perilous location, Private First Class FOSTER then assisted another soldier in removing a casualty from the fire-swept battlefield, risking his life to bring the wounded man to proper medical attention. Private First Class FOSTER'S courageous, determined devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
SECTION II - AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL
SECTION III - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL

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, 8 September 1944, as amended the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

CLIFFORD D. FRANCISCO, 36981993, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Fired on as he was about to investigate a house in Saarlautern-Roden, Private First Class FRANCISCO killed his adversary with rifle fire, but alerted German soldiers opened fire from several doors and windows. Private First Class FRANCISCO crossed the street to procure a twenty pound explosive. Then, supported by fire from his comrades, he retraced his steps to the German-held house. Undaunted by the enemy garrison, he placed his charge just inside the building and detonated it. Following the explosion, Private First Class FRANCISCO rushed into the house to take prisoner the eight surviving Germans. Five had been killed by the explosion. The conspicuous courage displayed by Private First Class FRANCISCO reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRED BOGGS, 38700163, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Observing machine gun fire from an enemy-held house in Saarlautern-Roden, Private First Class BOGGS obtained relief for his guard post and crawled toward the German position. Although his first grenade exploded harmlessly against a window sill, Private First Class BOGGS persevered in his self-assigned duty, dashing close to the house and hurling a second grenade. This time his throw was accurate and two Germans were killed. Following the explosion, Private First Class BOGGS rushed boldly into the house where nine of the enemy surrendered to him. The conspicuous courage displayed by Private First Class BOGGS reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

JAMES E. CRITTENDEN, 38009223, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. While leading his squad against pockets of resistance in Saarlautern, Staff Sergeant CRITTENDEN located an enemy pillbox whose door stood open. Carrying an automatic rifle and grenades, Staff Sergeant CRITTENDEN advanced. A German rifleman fired at him but missed. Staff Sergeant CRITTENDEN hit the German with automatic rifle fire. He killed two who tried frantically to close the door. Then he moved forward and hurled his grenades into the pillbox. When they exploded, he rushed inside where the stunned garrison of twelve surrendered. Staff Sergeant CRITTENDEN'S prowess in combat reflects great

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credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Colorado.

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:

HAROLD J. LOLWING, 37421657, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merten, France. In the face of mortars and machine guns whose heavy enfilade had denied two previous attacks, Technical Sergeant LOLWING led his platoon across a flat, five hundred yard field to the objective at Merten. The success of this attack was largely due to the bold, insistent leadership given by Technical Sergeant LOLWING. After the objective was reached Technical Sergeant LOLWING moved over another level field, exposed to sniper fire, to contact his company command post. In so doing, he was killed. The courageous and resourceful leadership displayed by Technical Sergeant LOLWING reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

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:

WILLIE H. BROER, 6861536, First Sergeant (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. First Sergeant BROER distinguished himself in fierce action at Saarlautern-Roden which resulted in the reduction of a German pillbox and the surrender of its garrison. Harassed by enemy snipers, and fired on from the pillbox itself, First Sergeant BROER with five of his comrades boldly assaulted the German position. A beehive charge was brought up under heavy fire and its detonation tore a hole in the concrete. First Sergeant BROER and his companions hurled grenades inside and the fight was over. Nineteen Germans surrendered. The courage and initiative displayed by First Sergeant BROER on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

OSCAR WEIDENBEAUMER, 36243790, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant WEIDENBEAUMER distinguished himself in fierce action at Saarlautern-Roden which resulted in the reduction of a German pillbox and the surrender of its garrison. Harassed by enemy snipers, and fired on from the pillbox itself, Staff Sergeant WEIDENBEAUMER with five of his comrades boldly assaulted the German position. A beehive charge was brought up under heavy fire and its detonation tore a hole in the concrete. Staff Sergeant WEIDENBEAUMER and his companions hurled grenades inside and the fight was over. Nineteen Germans surrendered. The courage and initiative displayed by Staff Sergeant WEIDENBEAUMER on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANCIS W. ADAMS, 31203490, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant ADAMS distinguished himself in fierce action at Saarlautern-Roden which resulted in the reduction of a German pillbox and the surrender of its garrison. Harassed by enemy snipers, and fired on from the pillbox itself, Staff Sergeant ADAMS with five of his comrades boldly assaulted the German position. A beehive charge was brought up under heavy fire and its detonation tore a hole in the concrete. Staff Sergeant ADAMS and his companions hurled grenades inside and the fight was over. Nineteen Germans surrendered. The courage and initiative displayed by Staff Sergeant ADAMS on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

EARL J. AUSTIN, 36249825, Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Sergeant AUSTIN distinguished himself in fierce action at Saarlautern-Roden which resulted in the reduction of a German pillbox and the surrender of its garrison. Harassed by enemy snipers, and fired on from the pillbox itself, Sergeant AUSTIN with five of his comrades boldly assaulted the German position. A beehive charge was brought up under heavy fire and its detonation tore a hole in the concrete. Sergeant AUSTIN and his companions hurled grenades inside and the fight was over. Nineteen Germans surrendered. The courage and initiative displayed by Sergeant AUSTIN on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

RONALD N. WHITE, 31429734, Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Sergeant WHITE distinguished himself in fierce action at Saarlautern-Roden which resulted in the reduction of a German pillbox and the surrender of its garrison. Harassed by enemy snipers, and fired on from the pillbox itself, Sergeant WHITE with five of his comrades boldly assaulted the German position. A beehive charge was brought up under heavy fire and its detonation tore a hole in the concrete. Sergeant WHITE and his companions hurled grenades inside and the fight was over. Nineteen Germans surrendered. The courage and initiative displayed by Sergeant WHITE on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOSEPH L. MERRION JR, 36668170, Private, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private MERRION distinguished himself in fierce action at Saarlautern-Roden which resulted in the reduction of a German pillbox and the surrender of its garrison. Harassed by enemy snipers, and fired on from the pillbox itself, Private MERRION with five of his comrades boldly assaulted the German position. A beehive charge was brought up under heavy fire and its detonation tore a hole in the concrete. Private MERRION and his companions hurled grenades inside and the fight was over. Nineteen Germans surrendered. The courage and initiative displayed by Private MERRION on this occasion reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRED HEEREMA, 01313885, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. While reconnoitering near a strongly-held enemy pillbox in Saarlautern-Roden, a scout in First Lieutenant HEEREMA'S platoon fell, seriously wounded, near the door of the fortification. Unhesitatingly First Lieutenant HEEREMA ran out into the hail of machine gun and rifle bullets and carried the wounded man to safety, a distance of sixty yards. First Lieutenant HEEREMA'S daring courage in saving the life of a wounded soldier under heavy enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM R. HIPP, 20444048, Private First Class (Then Private), INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When wire communications between the company command post and attacking elements were severed three times on 23 January 1945, Private First Class HIPP went out into the violent enemy artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to make the vitally-needed repairs. Fearlessly risking his life each time, Private First Class HIPP succeeded in maintaining adequate communications whereby the advancing riflemen continued on their mission well covered by mortar fire. Private First Class HIPP'S heroic devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

RALPH C. BONAVIST, 01301771, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Executive officer of Company A, First Lieutenant BONAVIST was advancing with company headquarters in the attack on Saarlautern-Roden when he saw sixteen enemy soldiers moving toward a building on the company's right flank. Directing four platoon runners to accompany him, First Lieutenant BONAVIST rushed forward, reaching the building before the Germans arrived. Deploying his men, he confronted the advancing enemy with rifle fire and grenades, killing five and forcing the remaining eleven to surrender. First Lieutenant BONAVIST'S bold, decisive leadership reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

MAX E. STAMBACH, 02006548, Second Lieutenant (Then First Sergeant), INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When Company A occupied positions encircled by concealed pillboxes, Second Lieutenant STAMBACH observed seven German soldiers moving between two of the bunkers. Hastily securing an automatic rifle, he ran one hundred yards to a good vantage point and opened fire, killing three enemy soldiers and forcing the remaining four to surrender. Second Lieutenant STAMBACH'S timely and courageous action through which intelligence of the enemy pillboxes was obtained reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

JUL A. HART, 01297533, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Seeing a squad of Germans advance on a house which commanded Company A's flank, First Lieutenant HART ran forward and reached the building before the enemy,

moving in from the opposite side, arrived, meeting the enemy soldiers with hand grenades and carbine fire, First Lieutenant HART single-handedly killed three and captured the remaining seven. First Lieutenant HART'S heroic deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

FELIX A. ALBINO, 31347367, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On the night of 12 December 1944 Private First Class ALBINO volunteered to repair telephone lines between his platoon and the company command post. Without regard for his own safety, he braved a fearful mortar barrage to restore the essential communications. Private First Class ALBINO'S persistent, heroic determination in the face of heavy enemy fire reflects great credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WILLIE F. KAVANAUGH JR, 32213868, Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Headquarters Company, ****Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 August 1944 to 20 February 1945, in France and Germany. Sergeant KAVANAUGH has repeatedly distinguished himself in action against the enemy as a tank commander. On one occasion, under heavy German fire he led three tanks down a mined street to attack a strongly fortified hill. In bitter fighting Sergeant KAVANAUGH'S element reduced all enemy resistance and captured many prisoners. The staunch leadership and resolute devotion to duty so consistently given by Sergeant KAVANAUGH reflect great credit on him and exemplify high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

MAKIO D. TAMBOLI, 31064524, Corporal, INF, (Armored), Headquarters Company, ****Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 August 1944 to 20 February 1945, in France and Germany. As a gunner in an assault platoon of the ****Tank Battalion, Corporal TAMBOLI has repeatedly distinguished himself in action against the enemy. On one occasion, under direct enemy observation, Corporal TAMBOLI'S cool marksmanship resulted in the destruction of a German observation post at a range of two thousand yards. Corporal TAMBOLI'S consistently superior performance of duty under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ALTON A. MALONE, 19049697, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 February 1945. Entered military service from California.

DOUGLAS J. SMYTH, 37286307, Staff Sergeant, CMP, Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

CHARLES J. LEONE, 01296807, First Lieutenant, CMP, Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 February 1945. Entered military service from Arkansas.

WALTER R. ANDREWSKI, 37164319, Sergeant, GMP, Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 February 1945. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ROBERT C. WHEELER II, 36511570, Sergeant, GMP, Military Police Platoon, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 January 1945 to 22 January 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

DEAN A. HADLEY, W2103732, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, ***Ordnance Company for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Idaho.

CLAUDE L. KOSHER, 37268369, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from North Dakota.

JAMES W. FERLSEN, 16092850, Sergeant, CWS, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

EDWARD E. SILCKE, 36353067, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRANCIS M. SMALLWOOD, 36508270, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Indiana.

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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:

RUDOLPH F. WIEMER, 32591414, Private First Class, INF, Company M, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class WIEMER was carrying ammunition to his machine gun squad when a patrol of five Germans set fire to a friendly tank. Private First Class WIEMER advanced on the patrol, firing his rifle. The five Germans fled, permitting the tank crew to escape. Private First Class WIEMER thought the Germans would return. He walked through thick smoke from the burning tank to a vantage point and waited. In a little while, the five Germans, ignorant of Private First Class WIEMER'S movement, came back. When they were in good range Private First Class WIEMER fired. He killed one, wounded two and routed the three survivors. Private First Class WIEMER'S initiative and courage reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

DONALD W. MC COY, 36568821, Staff Sergeant (Then Sergeant), INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After he had led his squad in driving a strong force of enemy soldiers into one section of a schoolhouse, Staff Sergeant MC COY dashed out to the windows of the German-held rooms and hurled hand grenades inside. Routed by the grenades the hostile troops were eliminated by Staff Sergeant MC COY'S squad. Another group of Germans occupied the second story. Staff Sergeant MC COY reentered the building and went upstairs. Threatening them with destruction he boldly persuaded twenty-seven Germans to surrender. The convincing leadership and great personal courage displayed by Staff Sergeant MC COY reflect high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT J. MERTENS, 35545897, Staff Sergeant (Then Private First Class), INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Laying a smoke screen between himself and the enemy, Staff Sergeant MERTENS moved to the side of a wounded soldier. The enemy fired through the smoke but Staff Sergeant MERTENS, with no regard for his own safety, carefully picked up the wounded man and carried him back to cover. A few minutes earlier, Staff Sergeant MERTENS had evacuated another casualty from the field of fire. His conspicuous courage reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant MERTENS and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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RICHARD J. SUTHERLAND, 39244856, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 and 21 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class SUTHERLAND participated with distinct skill and courage in the defense of the bridgehead at Saarlautern-Roden. At night, under heavy artillery and mortar fire, he installed booby traps in the forward area of the bridgehead which prevented infiltrating enemy patrols from penetrating friendly lines. Private First Class SUTHERLAND'S initiative and strong tenacity in the face of enemy fire reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

SALVATORE F. MORTEO, 31358168, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Encountering a radio-equipped German scout car while advancing with Company B toward the north end of the Saarlautern bridge, Lead Scout, Private First Class MORTEO acted quickly to prevent a radio warning to the enemy force holding the bridge. With his platoon leader and another scout, he crept cautiously up to the vehicle. After two of the three occupants were silently dispatched, Private First Class MORTEO forced the third soldier to leave the car. When the German made a sudden lunge toward the radio, Private First Class MORTEO bayoneted him. Private First Class MORTEO'S swift, bold action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

STANLEY J. BENNICK, 37295065, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Technical Sergeant BENNICK, accompanied by another soldier, evacuated a wounded German officer under enemy fire, relieving him of a brief case which contained documents and maps of important intelligence value. The initiative and courage displayed by Technical Sergeant BENNICK on this occasion reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

STANLEY ROSENBERG, 42055369, Private First Class (Then Private), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class ROSENBERG, accompanied by another soldier, evacuated a wounded German officer under enemy fire, relieving him of a brief case which contained documents and maps of important intelligence value. The initiative and courage displayed by Private First Class ROSENBERG on this occasion reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

RASCOMB C. MORRIS, 38687563, Private First Class, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When enemy mortar shelling severed the telephone line between the first platoon and Company A's command post, Private First Class MORRIS volunteered to repair the communications. Going out in the fierce mortar, machine gun and sniper fire which was immobilizing his platoon, Private First Class MORRIS succeeded in running a line to the third platoon, two hundred yards directly to the rear. Private First Class MORRIS' daring initiative, enabling his platoon to request neutralizing fire concentrations, permitted his comrades to complete the platoon mission success-

fully, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES D. REED, 35390695, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Shortly after nightfall on 13 December 1944, Staff Sergeant REED and his comrades watched the enemy, occupying nearby positions in Saarlautern-Roden, begin preparations for an attack on the platoon buildings. Acting quickly to disrupt the German plan, Staff Sergeant REED commandeered a tank destroyer and, leaping upon it, directed its fire into the hostile stronghold. Staff Sergeant REED'S heroic and determined devotion to duty in thus frustrating the enemy's plan to launch a counter-throw reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

CHARLES P. SCAPARDINE, 36359623, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant SCAPARDINE, commanding a small group of men, was given the mission of occupying and defending an enemy bunker captured by Company B. Carefully organizing a defense system, Staff Sergeant SCAPARDINE and his men were thoroughly prepared when the anticipated counter-attack came shortly after dark. His group cleverly disposed in strategic positions, Staff Sergeant SCAPARDINE directed the successful defense of the bunker, repelling the attacking Germans with heavy losses. The outstanding leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant SCAPARDINE in his heroic stand against a numerically superior enemy force reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HARRISON L. LEY, 12221181, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class LEY, an observer with the First Battalion observation post, witnessed a soldier wounded severely by enemy machine gun fire as he crossed railroad tracks nearby. Acting entirely on his own initiative, Private First Class LEY jumped from a second-story window and ran to aid the casualty. Although under direct enemy observation, he succeeded in removing the wounded man to safety where he administered first aid and arranged for evacuation to the aid station. Private First Class LEY'S gallantry in saving the life of a comrade at great personal risk reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALFRED E. MUNSON JR, 01312321, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Second Lieutenant MUNSON and his platoon, in assaulting German positions east of the railroad in Saarlautern-Roden, were forced by severe machine gun fire to halt their advance. Crawling forward alone until he was within twenty-five yards of the enemy emplacement, Second Lieutenant MUNSON threw two grenades, wounding several German soldiers and dazing the remainder long enough to allow his men to advance and seize the position. The staunch, courageous leadership displayed by Second Lieutenant MUNSON reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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JOHN E. ANDERSON, 12192003, Private First Class, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class ANDERSON was in the spearhead of the flanking attack of the First Battalion which resulted in the capture of the north approach to the Saarlautern bridge. When a German reconnaissance car was observed near the approach, Private First Class ANDERSON, accompanied by two companions, ran to the vehicle and, as the turret machine gunner swung his weapon into firing position, Private First Class ANDERSON dispatched him with the butt of his rifle. This quick, daring action, which silently preserved the element of surprise for the assaulting troops, reflects great credit on Private First Class ANDERSON and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JAMES A. KANE, 13175242, Private First Class, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Despite being wounded in the right arm by shrapnel just after the action began, Private First Class KANE persevered in carrying the company radio equipment throughout a bitterly resisted attack at Saarlautern-Roden. Private First Class KANE advanced with the leading elements of his company, in the face of heavy machine gun and mortar fire, and his gallant determination contributed substantially to the success of the attack. Private First Class KANE'S intrepid conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with high traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MELVIN J. JACOBSON, 37287566, Private First Class, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Advancing with his mortar squad across an area pounded by artillery and mortar shelling, Private First Class JACOBSON was hit by a shell fragment. Refusing to seek medical attention, he continued on with the squad, assisting his comrades in their close, effective support of the attacking riflemen. Upon arriving at the company objective, Private First Class JACOBSON set up his gun by heroic effort and then collapsed from loss of blood. The courageous devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class JACOBSON reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

SOLOMON K. KALEIALOHA, 20013676, Private First Class, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. An enemy tank, counter-attacking the house occupied by Private First Class KALEIALOHA'S platoon, was delivering devastating eighty-eight millimeter and machine gun fire on the building, slowly demolishing it. With fierce determination, Private First Class KALEIALOHA took up an exposed position from which he could fire effectively on the tank. Directing all his shots at the vision apertures, he was so successful that the tank's fire became inaccurate. Wounded in the hand, Private First Class KALEIALOHA persisted in his bold mission until the tank was forced to withdraw. Private First Class KALEIALOHA'S heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Hawaii.

STEPHEN M. PANKULIGS, 01324483, Second Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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ARNE A. HOLMA, 36184812, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

RADFORD L. CHAMBERS, 34375022, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944. Entered military service from Georgia.

ROBERT L. KLINK, 37504190, Technician Fifth Grade, PD, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROBERT S. DAVIDSON, 36246612, Technician Third Grade, INF, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

J. D. ALLAN, 0562932, Captain, AC, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

LOUIS F. FRASCA, 36357001, Private First Class, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ANGELO L. SAVERINO, 20320761, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

PATRICK J. GAYNOR, 36355206, First Sergeant, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

ELMER O. TAGLAUER, 36509488, Master Sergeant, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 29 January 1945. Entered military service from Michigan.

GEORGE D. HENDRICKS, 01165741, Captain, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 24 February 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

ANTON M. BADOUH JR, 01167728, Captain, FA, Headquarters, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 31 January 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

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