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✓ EARL K. UNGER, 36349280, Private, Med Dept, Company C, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5, 6, and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Searlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ****Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire, Private UNGER performed his duty as Assistant Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Searlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private UNGER'S unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private UNGER reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ AUGUST W. WICHMANN, 36359149, Private, Med Dept, Company C, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 6 and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Searlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ****Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire, Private WICHMANN performed his duty as Assistant Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Searlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private WICHMANN'S unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private WICHMANN reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Montana.

✓ HARVEY D. SELLERS, 34302750, Private, Med Dept, Company C, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5 and 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Searlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ****Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease.

Under this dreadful fire, Private SELLERS performed his duty as Assistant Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrapital skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge of Stavelant, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private SELLERS' unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private SELLERS reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Alabama.

WILLIAM E. MC NUTT, 9737092, Technician Fifth Grade, AF, Battery B, *3rd Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Woippy, France. A member of an artillery forward observer party assigned to an Infantry Battalion, Technician Fifth Grade MC NUTT moved with the Infantry into a German held village just north of Woippy, France. Throughout the operation which took place under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, Technician Fifth Grade MC NUTT carried on his back a radio, the only means of communication between the forward observer and the artillery unit. Because of the cumbersome radio on his back, he was unable to hit the ground, nor could he get into position to fire his carbine, and Technician Fifth Grade MC NUTT walked forward in the face of fire, sending the vital fire missions to his artillery unit. Technician Fifth Grade MC NUTT'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

WILLIAM A. HILLINGORTH, 01285243, Captain, INF, Company L, *3rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, and 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, and Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. On 15 November 1944, Company L, of which Captain HILLINGORTH is commander, was attached to a Battalion of the *3rd Infantry Regiment in an attack on enemy defenses in a draw directly east of Gravelotte, France. Captain HILLINGORTH led his Company through the draw under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire to successfully drive the enemy from its defenses. In an offensive operation east of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, on 17 November 1944, Company L was the leading rifle company, and when enemy resistance was encountered, Captain HILLINGORTH attacked under heavy fire and the enemy was driven out, making it possible for the company to advance with little delay and thereby insuring the success of the Battalion's mission. Captain HILLINGORTH'S courage in the face of intense enemy fire reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM B. PAGE, 0342195, Captain, INF, Company K, *3rd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 and 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Captain PAGE, a Rifle Company Commander, led his company in the attack against the small fortifications on a line north of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, on 16 November 1944. Crossing approximately fourteen hundred yards of open ground in full view of the enemy within the Fort, and facing heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Captain PAGE and his company took the objective with comparatively few casualties. Again on 17 November 1944, Captain PAGE displayed leadership when he made a personal reconnaissance with complete disregard for his own safety under a heavy

barrage of mortar and small arms fire making it possible to lead his company and other elements of the Battalion through a draw east of Fort Jeanne D'Arc. By his actions, he saved the lives of many of his men. Captain PACE'S courage in the face of intense enemy fire reflects great credit upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ HARRY J. FORTINI, OLO1741, First Lieutenant, INF(arm), Company D, **** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on Metz, First Lieutenant FORTINI was in constant contact with the enemy. During the day he fought with his platoon and at night he supervised the operations. His platoon successfully resisted attack, thus allowing the First Lieutenant to lead a tank section to the door of the Fort and directed fire against it until he was relieved by heavy caliber weapons. First Lieutenant FORTINI'S courage in the face of intense enemy fire reflects great credit upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

✓ JAMES W. DRUMMOND, OLC65725, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the entire period of operations from 8 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, First Lieutenant DRUMMOND acted as an artillery forward observer with the Second Battalion of the **** Infantry Regiment. He spent this entire period which culminated in the fall of Metz, with an assault company of the Infantry, thereby aiding the Infantry by firing a number of important missions, and often serving as the only communication between the company and its Battalion Headquarters. While the Battalion was engaged in the capture of Woippy on 17 and 18 November 1944, First Lieutenant DRUMMOND and his crew chose to move with the leading platoon to insure that artillery support would be available when needed, and to keep this artillery firing between one and two hundred yards in advance of our own Infantry, remaining himself, in an exposed position despite heavy machine gun, mortar, and small arms fire. Again on 19 November 1944, First Lieutenant DRUMMOND demonstrated courage and aggressiveness by taking up a position on the third floor of a building west of the Moselle River to enable him to fire on the enemy located three hundred yards away on the east bank of the river. Despite the fact that three enemy shells hit the building in which he was located, and that it was the target of machine gun and small arms fire, First Lieutenant DRUMMOND continued firing the preparations so vitally important for the accomplishment of the mission. First Lieutenant DRUMMOND'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ CLARENCE M. HUNTLEY, 31046254, Technician Fourth Grade, Med Dept, Company C, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On 4 December 1944, while attached to the Aid Station of the First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, which was driving on Saarlautern, Technician Fourth Grade HUNTLEY demonstrated great courage when he ignored machine gun fire that threatened his life while he was attending a wounded man. Technician Fourth Grade HUNTLEY perseveringly treated the man's wound and then evacuated him in the face of the hostile fire. His heroism on this occasion reflects distinct credit on Technician Fourth Grade HUNTLEY and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Vermont.

✓ H. D. HAYWARD, 37209879, Technician Fourth Grade, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. On 5 December 1944, Technician Fourth Grade HAYWARD displayed extreme courage in evacuating casualties under terrific artillery and machine gun fire coming from positions only fifty yards from him. He was helping to carry a casualty on a litter when he was hit by machine gun fire. Technician Fourth Grade HAYWARD'S exemplary devotion to duty reflects distinct credit upon him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kansas.

✓ ALLEN L. ARCHER, 34772255, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. On 5 December 1944, Private First Class ARCHER displayed extreme courage in evacuating casualties under terrific artillery and machine gun fire coming from positions only fifty yards from him. He was helping to carry a casualty on a litter when he was hit by machine gun fire. Private First Class ARCHER'S exemplary devotion to duty reflects distinct credit upon him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from West Virginia.

✓ ROY E. SMITH, 34383662, Sergeant, INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, in the vicinity of Maison Neuve, France, on 1 November 1944. Passing through densely wooded enemy terrain near Maison Neuve, Sergeant SMITH discovered a German sniper preparing to fire on an American officer. Sergeant SMITH shouted, diverting the German soldier's attention from the Officer to Sergeant SMITH. In the ensuing fight Sergeant SMITH killed the enemy sniper and was himself wounded. Sergeant SMITH'S bold act reflects distinct credit upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

✓ HARVEY E. TULL, 36405889, Sergeant, INF, Company C, ***Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. When his platoon Leader's tank was knocked out in an armored drive, supported by Infantry, toward a bridge across the Saar River, Sergeant TULL seized the initiative and led the remaining tanks of the platoon through fierce street fighting toward the objective. In the tactical employment of his tanks Sergeant TULL showed courageous skill and sound judgment, and he kept the attack going in the most difficult kind of tank fighting. Three hundred yards from the bridge an enemy mine exploded under Sergeant TULL'S tank knocking it out of action, and endangering the entire crew. But under fire from German forces Sergeant TULL stayed by his tank until he had directed their evacuation to safety. Sergeant TULL'S superior performance of duty, gallant leadership and fearless acceptance of responsibility for the safety of his crew, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ CLYDE O. BRADFORD, 38130945, Technician Fourth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Technician Fourth Grade BRADFORD was attached to Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, when that company assaulted strong German positions just east of Gravelotte. The enemy's resistance was stout and Company C suffered many casualties in the fierce action. But Technician Fourth Grade BRADFORD, with two other Medical Aid

Men, administered first aid so fearlessly and efficiently in spite of hostile fire that their infantry comrades were able to push on and smash the German resistance and take the objective. Technician Fourth Grade BRADFORD'S heroic devotion to duty resulted in the saving of lives and served as a clear inspiration to his infantry comrades, reflecting distinct credit on Technician Fourth Grade BRADFORD and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ CLARENCE H. HARGENS, 37449116, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Company E, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Elmsdorf, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade HARGENS, Litter Bearer with Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, watched an infantry soldier approach an apparently unoccupied pillbox alongside the railroad tracks at Elmsdorf. When the infantryman got to within twenty feet of the emplacement a German machine gun opened fire, wounding him severely. At this time enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire was intense but Technician Fifth Grade HARGENS, at the risk of his own life, walked coolly to where the casualty lay and administered first aid to him. Technician Fifth Grade HARGENS' fearlessly unselfish act reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ JACK V. CHATELAINNEUF, 36549540, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. The Rifle Company in which Private First Class CHATELAINNEUF is a BAR Gunner, with the other companies of the Battalion, attacked the enemy just before dawn on 14 November 1944. Soon after the Battalion had crossed the Line of Departure the enemy opened up with machine gun fire and the entire Battalion was pinned down, but again attacked. Private First Class CHATELAINNEUF moved in with his BAR blazing, reloading as he advanced, and singling out a particular enemy machine gun which was delivering heavy fire, he knocked it out of action. Private First Class CHATELAINNEUF'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ ALBERT C. GRIESHLER, 36511644, Technician Fifth Grade, FL, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 November 1944 to 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After the outer parts of Metz had been taken, Task Force **** found it necessary to have a wire haul laid to the Hotel Royale in Metz. Technician Fifth Grade GRIESHLER volunteered to do this job, and it was only through the guidance of a French civilian that he was able to get the wire to the Hotel. Inasmuch as only part of the city had been taken, small arms fire was a constant menace to Technician Fifth Grade GRIESHLER and his crew, but the wire was completed and operation continued as planned. Technician Fifth Grade GRIESHLER'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ ERNEST L. KEPPEL JR, 0449000, Second Lieutenant, CAV, ****Reconnaissance Troop, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Second Lieutenant KEPPEL, employed excellent tactics while leading the spearhead column from Thionville to St Julienne-Ies-Metz. Although continually hampered by intense hostile small arms, mortar and artillery fire, he personally

supported his point jeeps with weapons of his vehicle, always bringing them through without casualties to his own side. During this dangerous mission, Second Lieutenant KEPPEL at all times kept the infantry forces advised by dispatching prompt vitally needed information. Second Lieutenant KEPPEL'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit upon him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

✓ TRINIDAD TIJERINA, 18028036, Staff Sergeant, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 18 October 1944, to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Arry and Gravelotte, France. Staff Sergeant TIJERINA, in the action east of Arry, evacuated casualties while mortar barrages were still being fired by the enemy. Again while our forces were in battle near Gravelotte, Staff Sergeant TIJERINA left his post in the aid station to act as a litter bearer, going out in the face of enemy machine gun fire to evacuate cases and to render first aid to the wounded. Staff Sergeant TIJERINA'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ WILLIAM E. THOMAS, 34375004, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Technician Fifth Grade THOMAS, on 16 November 1944, led his litter bearer team across an open field, southeast of Leipzig Farm, under heavy artillery and mortar fire, and with complete disregard for his personal safety, evacuated five casualties from Company K, through the hazardous area. Technician Fifth Grade THOMAS' heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

✓ JOHN N. SHANHOLTZER, 16072756, Sergeant, Fd, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. While Company C was pressing toward its objective near Fort Jeanne D'Arc, communications with the Artillery Liaison Officer went out. The defect in the wire was narrowed down to about a two hundred yard stretch, but this stretch was out in the open and covered by German snipers supported by mortar fire. In the face of this obvious danger Sergeant SHANHOLTZER inched his way along a shallow ditch to the break and repaired the line. He maintained the line throughout the day in the same hazardous circumstances. Sergeant SHANHOLTZER'S untrepid achievement reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ CORDELL R. EULLARD, 14002210, Private, Fd, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. On the morning of 15 November 1944, Company C pushed off to take its objective in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, and it was necessary that Artillery communications be kept in to the Artillery Liaison Officer in the vicinity of Gravelotte. When the wire went out Private EULLARD, in the face of heavy mortar and small arms fire, inched his way along a shallow ditch to the break and repaired the wire while under continuous observation by the enemy and subject to fire. He continued to maintain the line throughout the day under the same conditions.

Private BULLARD'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

✓ RAYMOND L. MC PECK, 37210350 Private First Class, Med Dept, Company A, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the night of 1 December 1944, Private First Class MC PECK and another soldier, both ambulance drivers from Company A, whose vehicles had been knocked out by enemy action, volunteered to act as litter bearers. With utter disregard for his own safety, Private First Class MC PECK crossed an open field which was under heavy machine gun fire to evacuate the wounded, and in so doing he wounded himself. However, he proceeded to carry the wounded to the aid station which was under shell fire and assisted in giving first aid, before he noticed that he had been hurt. Private First Class MC PECK then refused to be evacuated until all the other wounded had been removed. Private First Class MC PECK'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ VINCENT G. NOGGLE, 3340660, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. After the attack on the fortified positions adjacent to Fort Jeanne D'Arc on 14 November 1944, a wounded officer and Private First Class NOGGLE were the only men present to care for fifteen wounded men. Subsequently the officer was wounded and for five days during which lines of evacuation, communication and supply were cut off, Private First Class NOGGLE took charge and cared for the wounded without assistance, until evacuation was possible on 19 November 1944. Private First Class NOGGLE'S unwavering devotion to duty reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ ALBERT N. WALKER, 37208837, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company A, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the night of 1 December 1944, Private First Class WALKER and another soldier, both ambulance drivers from Company A, whose vehicles had been knocked out by enemy action, volunteered to act as litter bearers. With complete disregard for his own safety, Private First Class WALKER crossed an open field which was under heavy machine gun fire to evacuate the wounded. Upon bringing the casualties into the aid station which was under heavy shell fire, Private First Class WALKER assisted in loading the awaiting ambulances and then guided the drivers back to the Collecting Company. Private First Class WALKER'S heroism reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

✓ JOHN H. WILLIAMS, 34374968, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. On the morning of 15 November 1944, Company C attacked enemy positions just east of Gravelotte encountering heavy opposition which resulted in fifty-two casualties. Private First Class WILLIAMS and two other Medical Aid men, with complete disregard for enemy fire, performed their work in a most exemplary manner. Under

intense enemy fire, Private First Class WILLIAMS moved from man to man giving aid quickly and efficiently, thus saving many lives. Private First Class WILLIAMS' gallant devotion to duty reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

✓ ERWIN E. JACKLIN, 12221055, Private INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gots, France. Private JACKLIN was hit by mortar fire on 14 November and was to be evacuated. When his unit was ordered to move to its second objective, Private JACKLIN was told not to participate; however, he remained in the line and without fear of further injury to himself, although in considerable pain, continued in the attack with his platoon. Upon arrival at the second objective, he was immediately evacuated. Private JACKLIN'S action reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

✓ WILLIAM J. SPIES, 36800015, Private, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Leger, Germany. On 4 December 1944, while attached to the aid station of the 1st Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, which was driving on Scharlitz, Private SPIES demonstrated great courage when he ignored machine gun fire that threatened his life while he was attending a wounded man. Private SPIES personally treated the man's wound and then evacuated him in the face of the hostile fire. His heroism on this occasion reflects distinct credit on Private SPIES and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ RALPH H. HERRINGTON JR, 32926731, Private, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. On the morning of 15 November 1944 Company C attacked enemy positions just east of Gravelotte encountering heavy opposition which resulted in fifty two casualties. Private HERRINGTON and two other Medical Aid men, with one platoon disorganized for enemy fire, performed their work in a most exemplary manner. Under intense enemy fire, Private HERRINGTON moved from man to man giving aid quickly and efficiently, thus saving many lives. Private HERRINGTON'S gallant devotion to duty reflects distinct credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ J. W. WEST, 55714930, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, ***Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hebe, France. On 15 November 1944, Staff Sergeant WEST'S Platoon Leader became a victim of terrific enemy fire from the emplacements of Fort Champaign, but without hesitation Staff Sergeant WEST took command and led his tanks against the German fort. Displaying vigorous leadership and judiciously using his tanks Staff Sergeant WEST brought his platoon into the German stronghold where they briskly destroyed all resistance, capturing fifty German soldiers and igniting twenty-four caches of German ammunition. Staff Sergeant WEST'S timely initiative and spirited leadership were largely responsible for capturing the fort and his gallant action reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JACK SOLCT, 0482915, Captain, DC, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 10 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

HAROLD B. RAY, 0430345, Captain, DC, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 17 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New York.

HARRY C. GIFFORD, 01535174, First Lieutenant, HLC, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 19 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New York.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XI 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 the following:

STEPHEN A. MISUDEK, 36249737, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 4, 5, and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ***Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire, Private First Class MISUDEK performed his duty as Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Saarlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private First Class MISUDEK'S unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private First Class MISUDEK reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

FRANK A. RICHER, 36184873, Private, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5, 6 and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ***Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire, Private RICHER performed his duty as Assistant Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Saarlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private RICHER'S unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private RICHER reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ FRANKLIN E. SCERCE, 34324736, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company C, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 4, 5, and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ****Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire, Private First Class SCERCE performed his duty as Assistant Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Saarlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private First Class SCERCE'S unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private First Class SCERCE reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ FRANCIS M. JOSEPH, 36249357, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company C, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5, 6, and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the ****Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire, Private First Class JOSEPH performed his duty as ambulance driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Saarlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private First Class JOSEPH'S unswerving devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private First Class JOSEPH reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

By command of Major General TALLEDE:

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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 Ltr. Hq. X Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ STANLEY R. VRAGA, 3624868, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 November 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his Platoon Leader was wounded in fierce fighting before Metz Technical Sergeant VRAGA assumed command of a Machine Gun Platoon that had already lost three fourths of its personnel in the savage battle for the German citadel. Undaunted, Technical Sergeant VRAGA reorganized his undermanned command vigorously and judiciously. Invigorated by their new leader's spirited example of courage the platoon participated boldly in the final, relentless assault on Metz. Under artillery barrage and in terrible fire-fighting Technical Sergeant VRAGA aggressively led his men in driving the enemy back. When Metz fell, the platoon joined in pursuing the enemy into Germany. Technical Sergeant VRAGA'S heroic leadership during this momentous period reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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* FRANK B. MC CANN, 36061944, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Creuzwald, France. An American soldier was crossing a street in the town of Creuzwald when a German machine gun opened fire, wounding him in the leg. The soldier started crawling to cover but the machine gun continued firing, hitting him in the back. Under raking fire Technical Sergeant MC CANN, risking his life, took two comrades to the wounded and helpless soldier and evacuated him to where first aid was administered, saving his life. Technical Sergeant MC CANN'S heroically unselfish deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ CARL W. FRENZKE, 36589438, Private First Class, INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Creuzwald, France. An American soldier was crossing a street in the town of Creuzwald when a German machine gun opened fire, wounding him in the leg. The soldier started crawling to cover but the machine gun continued firing, hitting him in the back. Under raking fire Private First Class FRENZKE, risking his life, took two comrades to the wounded and helpless soldier and evacuated him to where first aid was administered, saving his life. Private First Class FRENZKE'S heroically unselfish deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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GLEN R. BECRAFT, 36059949, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. On the night of 15 November 1944, the enemy hurled repeated, violent counter-attacks of armor and infantry against the Meselle River Bridgehead at Bertrange. Technical Sergeant BECRAFT brilliantly and courageously led his platoon in smashing this potent menace to the vital bridgehead area. Exhorting his men by his own heroic conduct this intrepid soldier materially aided in repulsing the determined hostile forces time and time again until wearied and weakened by the furious defense the Germans withdrew. The diligent and inspiring leadership given by Technical Sergeant BECRAFT reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM E. HART, 36356871, Technical 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. Near Fort Bellecroix and Fort St. Anne, two terrific explosions occurred in quick, dreadful succession on the afternoon of 18 November 1944, inflicting heavy casualties in Technical Sergeant HART'S Company, which was participating in the final drive on Metz. With no regard for his own safety, Technical Sergeant HART remained in the explosion area and assisted in the evacuation of the injured despite enemy fire. Technical Sergeant HART'S timely and courageous initiative facilitated the saving of lives and reflects distinct credit on him. His bold, unselfish conduct is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARCHIE E. FERRELL, 35438123, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. On 1 December 1944 Staff Sergeant FERRELL'S machine gun section had the mission of attracting the preponderance of German fire power in Itzbach while rifle elements speared into the village from the flanks. With perfect timing Staff Sergeant FERRELL directed the delivery of machine gun fire onto the enemy entrenchments just as the attacking troops jumped off. His fire was so accurate and vehement that the main German reply was addressed to his section, permitting the forces cutting into Itzbach from the flanks to capture the village at small cost in casualties. Staff Sergeant FERRELL'S gallant leadership and intrepid devotion to duty under the fierce fire returned by the well-entrenched enemy reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

EULAS F. TERRY, 34580198, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 and 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, France. On the afternoon of 29 November 1944 the house occupied by Staff Sergeant TERRY'S Company in a phase of the advance on St. Barbara began to receive powerful German counter-attacks employing armor and infantry. Reduced in numbers by the fierce fighting that preceded their occupation of the house, the Company faced point-blank fire from onrushing German tanks, bent on demolishing the house. In this crisis Staff Sergeant TERRY, who was then a Private First Class serving as ammunition handler, fought back so furiously and fearlessly that the rest of the Company, inspired by his aggressive example, resisted and then forcibly repulsed the potent German onslaught. The armored assaults that continued into the next day finally disintegrated before the heroically determined resistance kindled by

Staff Sergeant TERRY. The valiant and decisive leadership given on this occasion by Staff Sergeant TERRY reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

VARTHUR HELLMAN, 36353218, Staff Sergeant, 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, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Staff Sergeant HELLMAN volunteered along with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and to establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Staff Sergeant HELLMAN and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Staff Sergeant HELLMAN and the rest of the group. However, Staff Sergeant HELLMAN recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Staff Sergeant HELLMAN and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Staff Sergeant HELLMAN'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HARLEY W. FELLOW, 37421335, 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, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Corporal FELLOW volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Corporal FELLOW and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Corporal FELLOW and the rest of the group. However, Corporal FELLOW recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Corporal FELLOW and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Corporal FELLOW'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

JEE E. BROWNELL, 37293011, 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 Saarlautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade BROWNELL volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Technician Fifth Grade BROWNELL and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wound-

ing him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Technician Fifth Grade BROWNELL and the rest of the group. However, Technician Fifth Grade BROWNELL recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Technician Fifth Grade BROWNELL and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Technician Fifth Grade BROWNELL'S exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

✓ CLARENCE L. SCHOR, 36457918, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 44th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Private First Class SCHOR volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private First Class SCHOR and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private First Class SCHOR and the rest of the group. However, Private First Class SCHOR recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private First Class SCHOR and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private First Class SCHOR'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ JAMES L. HONNOLD JR., 16120212, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 44th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Private First Class HONNOLD volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private First Class HONNOLD and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private First Class HONNOLD and the rest of the group. However, Private First Class HONNOLD recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private First Class HONNOLD and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private First Class HONNOLD'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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BERT E. CURRY, 33251935, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944, Private First Class CURRY volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private First Class CURRY and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private First Class CURRY and the rest of the group. However, Private First Class CURRY recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private First Class CURRY and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private First Class CURRY'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

RUSSELL LOOP, 35437302, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944, Private First Class LOOP volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private First Class LOOP and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private First Class LOOP and the rest of the group. However, Private First Class LOOP recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private First Class LOOP and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private First Class LOOP'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HEROLD H. KROEMER, 37048254, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944, Private First Class KROEMER volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private First Class KROEMER and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private First Class KROEMER and the rest of the group. However, Private First Class KROEMER recovered quickly and

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with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private First Class KRCEMER and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private First Class KRCEMER'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ KENNETH H. FRITZ, 17068078, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Private First Class FRITZ volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private First Class FRITZ and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private First Class FRITZ and the rest of the group. However, Private First Class FRITZ recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private First Class FRITZ and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private First Class FRITZ'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ RAYMOND L. O'DONNELL, 31462013, Private INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the afternoon of 4 December 1944 Private O'DONNELL volunteered with nine other enlisted men to accompany an officer in taking two two-and-one-half ton trucks loaded with ammunition and food across the Saar River and establish a sorely-needed distributing point on the east bank. The only bridge available was under continual German shelling but the trucks moved across and at a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge Private O'DONNELL and his companions commenced unloading the vital supplies. German artillery fire pounded the area. Flying fragments struck one of the men, wounding him; a direct hit was scored on the building, demolishing one end of it; concussion stunned and bruised Private O'DONNELL and the rest of the group. However, Private O'DONNELL recovered quickly and with his companions dauntlessly finished unloading the trucks. When all the valuable cargo was unloaded Private O'DONNELL and the others climbed back into the trucks and drove across the heavily shelled bridge to the west bank. Private O'DONNELL'S boldly exemplary devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

✓ FRANCIS J. BRICHTER, 33631718, Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany.

Inside the village of Guisinguen Sergeant BRICHER'S rifle squad came under deadly hostile small arms fire that threatened to pin down the squad and obstruct its advance. Undaunted by fiercely liberated German fire, Sergeant BRICHER, who was a Private First Class at the time, deployed his men so that their fire would prove most devastating to the enemy. His brave, cool leadership instilled confidence in his men, and they vigorously routed the German resistance and smashed on to their objective. In this fearless act Sergeant BRICHER was hit by an enemy bullet but he refused medical aid until other casualties had been cared for. The prowess and courage displayed by Sergeant BRICHER reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

LEWIS R. MC DANIEL, 3641197, Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. On 1 December 1944, Company H, in which Sergeant MC DANIEL was Rearratoon Sergeant, had the mission of supporting Company E in the assault and capture of Itzbach, Germany. Under constant enemy observation, and heavy artillery shelling, Sergeant MC DANIEL skillfully plotted positions for heavy machine guns and then led the machine gun crews into them. Sergeant MC DANIEL'S bold performance of duty under fire was materially responsible for the prompt capture of Itzbach, for it was the devastating fire from machine guns he placed in position that distracted the German troops from the quick, flanking assaults of Company E. Sergeant MC DANIEL'S intrepid accomplishment reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HAROLD C. ROCK, 37294574, Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When a German counter-attack struck viciously from Fort Plapperville and menaced his Company's position, Sergeant ROCK, aided by another enlisted man, quickly set up a machine gun on ground enveloped by enemy mortar and machine gun fire and delivered a terrible enfilade on the assaulting Germans. The accurate, lethal fire from Sergeant ROCK'S boldly emplaced gun inflicted heavy casualties and repulsed the counter-attack. Sergeant ROCK'S timely, daring initiative reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

HERMAN J. LANDIS, 33786697, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations from 15 November to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the conclusive assault on Metz Technician Fifth Grade LANDIS inspired the personnel of the infantry company to which he was attached by the fearless, efficient manner in which he performed his duties as aid man. On 16 November 1944, when an enemy shell landed very near a mortar crew, wounding five men, he administered first aid to all of them and evacuated the more seriously wounded while formidable German artillery continued to fall. His timely and heroic action on this occasion made it possible to save the lives of two soldiers. Technician Fifth Grade LANDIS' brave and scrupulous devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ESTELE J. COX, 36066446, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Berwiller, France. On the afternoon of 30 November 1944, from fortified positions on high ground the enemy fiercely shelled the attacking Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment. Artillery fragments struck Technician Fifth Grade COX, a Company Aid Man, inflicting multiple wounds. He refused medical treatment and with utter disregard for his own well-being administered medical care to other casualties in the area before submitting himself to first aid and evacuation. Technician Fifth Grade COX'S extraordinary and exemplary service fully reflect high credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

DOYL L. MASON, 36669950, Private First Class, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 and 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. On 1 December 1944 Private First Class MASON was given the duty of supplying a heavy machine gun section which was supporting a rifle company holding hard-won ground inside Itzbach. Private First Class MASON had to travel two miles through wooded terrain under heavy German shelling in order to reach the platoon supply point. On the return trip he personally supervised the safe delivery by vehicle of ammunition and fuel to the edge of the woods. There he recruited a carrying-party and led them back through the woods under heavy artillery fire to his platoon. The next night Private First Class MASON repeated his intrepid performance, enabling the machine gun section to fire timely support for the rifle elements. Private First Class MASON'S gallant and undeviating devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOHN W. VANHELL, 35316192, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. At midnight of 9 November 1944, when a comrade was wounded by German fire and in dire need of medical attention Private First Class VANHELL, with three other men from his platoon, used a door for an improvised litter and evacuated the casualty through German mortar and artillery shelling to the Battalion Aid Station. Private First Class VANHELL'S heroic disregard for his own safety on this occasion reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

STANLEY G. WOZNIAK, 36950231, Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944 in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. At midnight of 9 November 1944, when a comrade was wounded by German fire and in dire need of medical attention Sergeant WOZNIAK, with three other men from his platoon, used a door for an improvised litter and evacuated the casualty through German mortar and artillery shelling to the Battalion Aid Station. Sergeant WOZNIAK'S heroic disregard for his own safety on this occasion reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HENRY J. DESCHENE, 31411170, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. At midnight of 9 November 1944, when a comrade was wounded by German

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fire and in dire need of medical attention Private First Class DESCHERL, with three other men from his platoon, used a door for an improvised litter and evacuated the casualty through German mortar and artillery shelling to the Battalion Aid Station. Private First Class DESCHERL's heroic disregard for his own safety on this occasion reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

✓ GLEN H. GESELL, 16072792, Private First Class, INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Kraizeries-los-Hetz, France. At midnight of 9 November 1944, when a comrade was wounded by German fire and in dire need of medical attention Private First Class GESELL, with three other men from his platoon, used a door for an improvised litter and evacuated the casualty through German mortar and artillery shelling to the Battalion Aid Station. Private First Class GESELL's heroic disregard for his own safety on this occasion reflects distinct credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ RALPH K. OSTRAJD, 16038127, Private First Class, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort De Faves, France. When German mortar fire threatened to pin down the advancing rifle companies of the First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, Private First Class OSTRAJD remained at his machine gun, in a position exposed to hostile shelling, and silenced the German mortar. Private First Class OSTRAJD's bold performance of duty permitted the rifle companies to resume their assault and carry the objective. His courageous conduct reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ OWAN H. RACKLEY, 34445130, Private First Class, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort De Faves, France. When German mortar fire threatened to pin down the advancing rifle companies of the First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, Private First Class RACKLEY remained at his machine gun, in a position exposed to hostile shelling, and silenced the German mortar. Private First Class RACKLEY'S bold performance of duty permitted the rifle companies to resume their assault and carry the objective. His courageous conduct reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

✓ DAVID G. KITTLE, 34062362, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company G, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 5, 6 and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications to elements of the **** Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire Private First Class KITTLE performed his duty as Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intrepid skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Saarlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the debris littering the road lessened Private First Class KITTLE'S unwavering devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private First Class KITTLE reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

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STEVEN J. LISOWSKI, 32550922, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 4, 5 and 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Attempting to cut the line of communications no elements of the ***Infantry Regiment on the east side of the Saar River, the Germans on 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 December 1944, laid down a continual artillery and mortar barrage. Throughout this period blanket shelling as well as machine gun and small arms fire continued without cease. Under this dreadful fire Private First Class LISOWSKI performed his duty as assistant Ambulance Driver, evacuating the wounded, some of whom were in need of immediate definitive medical treatment, with cool, intense skill. The route of evacuation was over the bridge at Saarlautern, the primary enemy target in that area, but neither the fierce German fire nor the shells littering the road lessened Private First Class LISOWSKI'S unwavering devotion to duty. The gallant behavior of Private First Class LISOWSKI reflects distinct credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from New York.

DICK DEKNIKKER, 37233860, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16, 17 and 18 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. As the ***Infantry Regiment pressed its attack on German positions near Gravelotte, wire became the sole means of electrical communication between the Regimental Command Post and the Battalions. German mortars shelled the line ceaselessly, and German rifles sniped at all attempts to effect repair. Under these perilous circumstances, Technician Fifth Grade DEKNIKKER, with three companions, worked thirty-six hours without rest in order to maintain the critical communications. The eventual success of the attack was due in large part to the magnificent accomplishment of Technician Fifth Grade DEKNIKKER and his companions. Technician Fifth Grade DEKNIKKER'S courageous loyalty to duty in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

ROBERT D. KUHN, 39399619, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16, 17 and 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. As the ***Infantry Regiment pressed its attack on German positions near Gravelotte, wire became the sole means of electrical communication between the Regimental Command Post and the Battalions. German mortars shelled the line ceaselessly, and German rifles sniped at all attempts to effect repair. Under these perilous circumstances, Technician Fifth Grade KUHN, with three companions, worked thirty-six hours without rest in order to maintain the critical communications. The eventual success of the attack was due in large part to the magnificent accomplishment of Technician Fifth Grade KUHN and his companions. Technician Fifth Grade KUHN'S courageous loyalty to duty in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

WILLIAM E. SHARP, 34378783, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with

military operations against the enemy, on 16, 17 and 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. As the ***Infantry Regiment pressed its attack on German positions near Gravelotte, wire became the sole means of electrical communication between the Regimental Command Post and the Battalions. German mortars shelled the line ceaselessly, and German rifles sniped at all attempts to effect repairs. Under these perilous circumstances, Private First Class SZABO, with three companions, worked thirty-six hours without rest in order to maintain the critical communications. The eventual success of the attack was due in large part to the magnificent accomplishment of Private First Class SZABO and his companions. Private First Class SZABO'S courageous loyalty to duty in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

✓ CARL SZABO, 3541589, private, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16, 17 and 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. As the ***Infantry Regiment pressed its attack on German positions near Gravelotte, wire became the sole means of electrical communication between the Regimental Command Post and the Battalions. German mortars shelled the line ceaselessly, and German rifles sniped at all attempts to effect repairs. Under these perilous circumstances, Private SZABO, with three companions, worked thirty-six hours without rest in order to maintain the critical communications. The eventual success of the attack was due in large part to the magnificent accomplishment of Private SZABO and his companions. Private SZABO'S courageous loyalty to duty in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓ WILLIAM J. STOCKTON, 32467938, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Leipzig, France. Voluntarily serving as an assistant to the Regimental Graves Registration Officer, Private First Class STOCKTON was near a captured bunker on Leipzig Farm on 19 November 1944. The bunker was being held by elements of the Second Battalion and was being heavily fired upon by the guns of both Fort De Guise and Fort Jeanne D'Arc. Knowing full well the jeopardy in which he was placing his personal safety, Private First Class STOCKTON reportedly moved out in an exposed position under German shelling to recover the bodies of the dead. Such deep devotion to duty reflects great credit upon Private First Class STOCKTON and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ WILLIAM G. OUTKAY, 37287936, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During bitter street-fighting inside Metz, Technician Fifth Grade

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CUTKAY went into a street swept by German sniper fire in order to evacuate an otherwise helpless casualty. On his way to the wounded man, Technician Fifth Grade CUTKAY was shot three times and punctured his gas mask and grazed his back. He wanted he proceeded to carry the casualty off the street to cover where he successfully administered first aid. The fearless example set by Technician Fifth Grade CUTKAY inspired with confidence all who witnessed his deed. Technician Fifth Grade CUTKAY'S courage on this occasion reflects distinct credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

JAMES W. FETTER, No. 2007150, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. To assist in communications with the unit supporting his Company in German positions near Gravelotte, Private First Class FETTER, a Gallant, voluntarily and repeatedly served both as messenger and as assistant in laying wire to the supporting unit. Under fire from German mortar and small arms he four times traveled a route that crossed barbed wire entanglements directly observed by the enemy in order to fulfill his mission. Private First Class FETTER'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOHN R. STOVER, JR., 20001076, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from California.

GEORGE F. HALLERICH, 36194910, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Searlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of SR 600.45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

EMIL R. PLAZZA, 35388664, Private First Class, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When a German counter-attack lunged savagely from Fort Plapperville and threatened to destroy his Company's position, Private First Class PLAZZA, with his Squad Leader, set up a machine gun on ground enveloped by German shelling and delivered a terrible enfilade on the assaulting enemy. Lethal fire from Private First Class PLAZZA'S boldly emplaced machine gun inflicted such heavy casualties that the Germans were compelled to withdraw. The heroic conduct of Private First Class PLAZZA, who was killed in action on 29 November 1944, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

GEORGE K. WRIGHT, 34923112, Sergeant, INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Kreuzwald, France. An American soldier was wounded in the leg while crossing a street inside Kreuzwald when a German machine gun emplaced in a building two hundred yards to the front opened fire on him. He endeavored to crawl on across the street but the German machine gun continued firing and wounded him again, in the back. Without hesitation, and with no regard to his personal safety, Sergeant WRIGHT dashed out into the street, under raking fire from the German machine gun, and helped carry the wounded soldier to cover where first aid was promptly administered, saving his life. The heroic fearlessness of Sergeant WRIGHT, who was killed in action on 1 December 1944, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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JAMES F. HOUSE, 0444004, Captain, INF, Headquarters, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 and 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When elements of the Second and Third Battalions, ****Infantry Regiment, became isolated by enemy action in a bunker on Liepzig Farm Captain HOUSE, Regimental Adjutant, volunteered for the mission of reaching the beleaguered troops and effecting supply. An enlisted man volunteered to drive him. Captain HOUSE knew that the only road to his objective was patrolled by German snipers and that it lay under German shelling and machine gun fire, but none of these hazards deterred him from accomplishing what he felt was his duty. Despite enemy observation and fire along the way Captain HOUSE and his driver reached the bunker, and Captain HOUSE contacted the Commanding Officer of the encircled garrison. The first need was for water. Captain HOUSE and his driver took the jeep through German lines twice, returning with five-gallon cans of water. Then, in order to obtain badly-needed supplies Captain HOUSE and his driver set out over a route studded with mines and road blocks to Third Battalion. There, Captain HOUSE arranged for the dispatch of a supply convoy back to the isolated troops in the bunker. Due largely to Captain HOUSE'S excellent reconnaissance the convoy reached its destination without losing a vehicle. Two days later Captain HOUSE and his driver volunteered for another daring mission: reconnaissance over territory to which German elements still had access for a route of march to be taken in relieving another Regiment. Over roads planted with anti-tank and anti-personnel mines, Captain HOUSE completed his mission, gathering information which proved of great value in planning future operations against the enemy. Captain HOUSE was killed in action on 4 December 1944. The heroic devotion to duty given by Captain HOUSE in the face of always imminent danger reflects great credit upon 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 Ltr, Hq, XX Corps, File LG 200 6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

ROBERT L. WALTON, 022734, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hannibois Wood, France. On the night of 8 November 1944 Lieutenant Colonel WALTON led his Battalion in an attack southward over densely mined terrain, against fierce German resistance, on Hannibois Wood, Fercau Farm and Jaily Farm. Lieutenant Colonel WALTON stayed constantly with the attacking elements, reorganizing platoons and companies weakened due to heavy casualties, and inspiring all members of his command by his own fearlessly aggressive conduct, with a relentless determination to close with and destroy the enemy. The gallant leadership given by Lieutenant Colonel WALTON during this

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night attack reflects great credit on him, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military serv. co. Entered military service from Maryland.

LEONARD P. HANSON, 37293796, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company E, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. Staff Sergeant HANSON was a member of a combat patrol searching for German elements in the wooded, hilly terrain east of Itzbach. As the patrol, moving in an open skirmish line with the right flank, on which Staff Sergeant HANSON was located, on lower ground than the left, reached a steep road cut, hostile troops delivered a fierce concentration of machine gun fire on the forward slope of the road. The left flank of the patrol was pinned down by the stunning enemy fire, but Staff Sergeant HANSON and two of his companions were able to move up higher on the slope, out of the fire. They then moved around the cut and came upon the entrenched German machine gun nest. With fixed bayonets Staff Sergeant HANSON and his two comrades assaulted the machine gun crew, who promptly surrendered. Staff Sergeant HANSON'S daring feat helped materially in reducing German resistance on the hill and enabled his Battalion to occupy the point to vantage. Staff Sergeant HANSON'S gallantry reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

CHARLIE W. MEISSNER, 38370333, Private First Class, I F, Company E, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. Private First Class MEISSNER was a member of a combat patrol searching for German elements in the wooded, hilly terrain east of Itzbach. As the patrol, moving in an open skirmish line with the right flank, on which Private First Class MEISSNER was located, on lower ground than the left, reached a steep road cut, hostile troops delivered a fierce concentration of machine gun fire on the forward slope of the road. The left flank of the patrol was pinned down by the stunning enemy fire, but Private First Class MEISSNER and two of his companions were able to move up higher on the slope, out of the fire. They then moved around the cut and came upon the entrenched German machine gun nest. With fixed bayonets Private First Class MEISSNER and his two comrades assaulted the machine gun crew, who promptly surrendered. Private First Class MEISSNER'S daring feat helped materially in reducing German resistance on the hill and enabled his Battalion to occupy the point to vantage. Private First Class MEISSNER'S gallantry reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

HENRY H. HUDLOW, 38694718, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. Private First Class HUDLOW was a member of a combat patrol searching for German elements in the wooded, hilly terrain east of Itzbach. As the patrol, moving in an open skirmish line with the right flank, on which Private First Class HUDLOW was located, on lower ground than the left, reached a steep road cut, hostile troops delivered a fierce concentration of machine gun fire on the forward slope of the road. The left flank of the patrol was pinned down by the stunning enemy fire, but Private First Class HUDLOW and two of his companions were able to move up higher on the slope, out of the fire. They then moved around the cut and came upon the entrenched German machine gun nest. With fixed bayonets Private First Class HUDLOW and his two comrades assaulted the machine gun crew, who promptly surrendered. Private First Class HUDLOW'S daring feat helped materially in reducing German resistance on the hill

and enabled his Battalion to occupy the point to vantage. Private First Class BUDLOW's gallantry reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

WILLIAM J. RIELLY, 0389344, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, *** Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November and 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. In the attack of Company B, *** Infantry Regiment, on Itzbach Captain RIELLY with three riflemen infiltrated under German small arms and mortar fire to the edge of the village in order to most accurately direct artillery fire on the German emplacements inside. Harassed by snipers as he began to find targets susceptible to friendly artillery, Captain RIELLY eliminated one of the snipers himself and continued to direct invaluable artillery support for the attacking rifle elements. When the Germans withdrew from the village Captain RIELLY boldly advanced into their territory in order to direct further fire on them and to stall German artillery from firing on the village. In seeking a favorable observation point Captain RIELLY and his three riflemen encountered a German patrol. In the ensuing fire-fight Captain RIELLY led his group in driving off the Germans. Then he placed such devastating shelling on German emplacements beyond the village that the Germans were no longer able to reply. Throughout this spirited action the conduct and performance of Captain RIELLY were exemplary, reflecting distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

PETER J. BAKA, 0483622, Chaplain, (Captain), CH, Regimental Headquarters, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guibingen, Germany. On the afternoon of 29 November 1944 Chaplain BAKA traveled alone on foot for two kilometers across terrain being shelled by the enemy in order to visit casualties at a Battalion Aid Station. On his way German artillery and small arms fire pinned him down for twenty minutes, but he refused to turn back. Later in the day, Chaplain BAKA was able to bring his vehicle to the Aid Station. Then he led all the wounded to safety in the adjoining town of Kammelfingen, carrying two of the casualties in his vehicle. Chaplain BAKA's gallant deeds reflect distinct credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Corps of Chaplains. Entered military service from New York.

RICHARD C. BERT, 37208743, Corporal, INF, Company D, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Imeldange, France. On the afternoon of 14 November 1944, powerful German troops supported by tanks and artillery contained Corporal BERT and thirteen other men in a house in the village of Imeldange. After furiously resisting countless German assaults, Corporal BERT led a counter-attack in the face of withering small arms fire, which utterly routed the hostile forces. Corporal BERT's heroic aggressiveness reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

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GLANN F. SMITH, 35390375, Private First Class, INF, Company C, *** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. On the night of 8 November 1944, after a perilous crossing of the Moselle river, Private First Class SMITH participated in the forcible establishment of a bridgehead on ground fiercely denied by the enemy. Flying shrapnel from an anti-personnel mine struck Private First Class SMITH in the leg, wounding him painfully. With no regard for his personal safety he

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carried on, Private First Class SMITH for his courageous resourcefulness in the face of vehement German fire while leading a platoon in taking and holding critical high ground overlooking the bridgehead area. The bravely active devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class SMITH reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

FRANKLIN G. DILLON, 37409756, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Sionville, France. In a night operation, following up the successful thrust of a tank across the Moselle River, Private First Class DILLON'S company was ordered to lead a strong company combat patrol. In spite of continuous enemy fire with a direct machine gun position due to unfavorable conditions of terrain and visibility, Private First Class DILLON actually refused to give ground. By skillful employment of his automatic rifle, this soldier killed four of the vigorously attacking enemy and wounded several others. This deadly fire, coupled with the high personal courage and resourcefulness of Private First Class DILLON repulsed an enemy attack on the flank of his company, thereby saving the lives of his comrades and removing the threat to the security of the Company. Private First Class DILLON'S intrepid feat reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM A. MOSCINSKI, 36247549, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Sionville, France. After Private First Class MOSCINSKI had safely crossed a stream, during a phase of his Company's attack on a town, he looked back and saw that the automatic rifleman in his platoon had been hit while crossing the road on the opposite side of the stream. Without hesitation Private First Class MOSCINSKI retraced his steps under deliberate German sniper fire and retrieved the Browning automatic rifle. Then, making his way through water that was waist-high and under German machine gun fire, he returned to his squad. By recovering the Browning automatic rifle and reorganizing his squad, Private First Class MOSCINSKI maintained the fire power of his squad and insured their formidability. Private First Class MOSCINSKI'S intrepid feat reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CLAUDE J. SHRECK, 35515488, Sergeant, INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Duran, Germany. In the attack of Hill 247 Sergeant SHRECK was given the mission of knocking out a German machine gun position. During the advance he was shot in the neck by enemy fire. Although severely wounded, Sergeant SHRECK refused medical aid. He got to his feet, assembled his squad, and proceeded to attack. German fire was heavy, but Sergeant SHRECK'S courageous leadership so inspired his squad that they stormed the machine gun position irresistibly and destroyed it, thereby permitting the company to press the assault. Sergeant SHRECK collapsed and was removed from the field of battle by stretcher. The heroic leadership and fearless devotion to duty given by Sergeant SHRECK reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ALFRED W. LOWE, 01388916, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarutern, Germany. When troops engaging the enemy east of the Saar River began to run short of ammunition and other supplies

First Lieutenant LOWE volunteered to lead a convoy across the only bridge held by friendly forces to establish a ration and ammunition distributing point. One two-and-one-half ton truck loaded with bangalore torpedos, ten pound beehive charges and mortar ammunition, and one truck carrying rations and water formed the convoy, led by First Lieutenant LOWE in his jeep. Under intense enemy shelling, the convoy traveled across the river to a brick building two hundred yards east of the bridge. There First Lieutenant LOWE and his nine-man group started unloading their trucks, when approximately half of the supplies had been unloaded German shelling struck fiercely. Ten or twelve shells landed in the immediate area. Two scored direct hits on the building and demolished the shed where the unloading crew was stacking the ammunition. One man was wounded by the flying fragments and several others were bruised and stunned. First Lieutenant LOWE extricated himself from the wreckage and displaying extraordinary courage and leadership rallied his crew around him to finish unloading the trucks under the ceaseless hail of German artillery. First Lieutenant LOWE'S intrepid devotion to duty and his exemplary conduct under fire reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

LAM FOLLOCK, 39297983, Private, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsberg, Germany. During the daylight attack on Oberfelsberg, while Private FOLLOCK and four other men were flushing the enemy, a German tank guided by two enemy infantrymen bore down upon them, its guns blazing. In the face of this murderous fire, Private FOLLOCK, fearlessly remained at his post, killing one guide with rifle fire. His M-1 rifle then jammed, and with cool calculation he tossed a hand grenade at the remaining infantryman killing him also. Unguided, the tank was powerless to move on and was forced to withdraw. Private FOLLOCK'S courage was a contributing factor in the fall of Oberfelsberg, and his devotion to duty reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

JOHN W. PRIDHAM, 31298747, Private, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944 and 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. On the night of 8 November 1944, during the establishment of a bridgehead across the Moselle River, Private PRIDHAM, alone and with utter disregard for his personal safety, rushed an enemy pill-box. By the skillful use of grenades, Private PRIDHAM knocked the pill-box out of action and captured three of the enemy personnel. This daring act made possible the advance of his platoon, with comparatively few casualties, to higher ground overlooking the bridgehead position. Again on 15 November 1944, Private PRIDHAM, undaunted by point blank fire from enemy armor, greatly aided his squad in smashing repeated attacks and contributed immeasurably to the success of his company in attaining its objective. Private PRIDHAM'S heroic unselfishness and bold acts reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROBERT A. HAINES, 0437545, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry, from 11 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Throughout the action of the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, with Task Force ****, from Thionville to the occupation of Metz, the untiring application of medical skill by Captain HAINES was an integral factor in the Battalion's conspicuous success. His undeviating devotion under the difficult and dangerous conditions of combat resulted in a minimum rate of

EDWARD TRIBLE, 15891311, Private, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement, from 7 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. From 7 to 10 December 1944, Private TRIBLE was a litter bearer with the Aid Station of the First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, in Saarlautern, Germany. During this danger-filled ninety-six hour period, Private TRIBLE performed outstanding service in quickly evacuating casualties under German shelling and small arms fire from German positions only a hundred yards away. Private TRIBLE'S courageous and efficient performance of duty made it possible for medical treatment to be given the American wounded promptly. His gallant and tireless devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private TRIBLE and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ANTHONY PUGLIANICH, 22 9845, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company C, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement, from 7 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. From 7 to 10 December 1944, Private First Class PUGLIANICH, was a litter bearer with the Aid Station of the First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, in Saarlautern, Germany. During this danger-filled ninety-six hour period, Private First Class PUGLIANICH performed outstanding service in quickly evacuating casualties under German shelling and small arms fire from German positions only a hundred yards away. Private First Class PUGLIANICH'S courageous and efficient performance of duty made it possible for medical treatment to be given the American wounded promptly. His gallant and tireless devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private First Class PUGLIANICH and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MARTIN ROSOFF, 01285119, Captain, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Hagondange, France and Saarlautern, Germany. As commanding officer of Task Force ROSOFF, Captain ROSOFF held a portion of the Regimental front from 2 November 1944 to 19 November 1944. This front was in the vicinity of Hagondange, France, filling in the gap between the First Battalion at Uckange and the Third Battalion at Maizieres-les-Metz. Under the superb leadership of Captain ROSOFF, a composite force which had never before functioned together as a team, successfully accomplished its mission. After the dissolution of the Task Force ROSOFF, this officer continued his outstanding work by demonstrating superior knowledge of his weapons in lending effective support to the advancing rifle companies in the attack on Metz and the advance to Saarlautern. Captain ROSOFF spent much of his time in forward positions with his anti-tank platoons and his mine platoon, thereby affording invaluable assistance to commanders of supporting elements. Captain ROSOFF'S remarkable leadership and unflinching devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ALBERT G. SCHOFER, 0531477, Chaplain, (Captain), Ch, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. (All during the attack of the Second Battalion in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz,) on 8 and 9 November 1944, Chaplain SCHOFER was either on the front line or in the Battalion Aid Station. Not only did Chaplain SCHOFER conscientiously lend moral comfort to the wounded, but he repeatedly

went forward and evacuated them, thus invaluablely assisting the aid man and litter bearers. This outstanding devotion to duty continued throughout the entire campaign of the Regiment and was a source of glowing inspiration to the troops of the Battalion. Captain SCHUBER'S superb service reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest standards of the Corps of Chaplains. Entered military service from New York.

HOMER W. THOMPSON, O460273, Chaplain, (Captain), Ch, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany, during the attack in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, and in the ensuing assault on Metz, Chaplain THOMPSON, Regimental Chaplain, in the face of heavy enemy fire spent many hours in the Battalion Aid Station and near the front lines, where his presence contributed immeasurably to the morale of the officers and men. Particularly did his devotion to duty furnish solace and inspiration to the wounded. Chaplain THOMPSON'S unselfish service in the face of danger reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Corps of Chaplains. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN W. BARNES, O25768, First Lieutenant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravlotte, France. On 14 November 1944, Company G under the command of First Lieutenant BARNES, as a reserve company of the Second Battalion, participated in the attack on the enemy. The first man to reach the positions directly in front of an enemy bunker, First Lieutenant BARNES promptly made a reconnaissance to locate weapons that could be brought into play upon the bunker. In the process of his reconnaissance, First Lieutenant BARNES suffered a shoulder wound from enemy small arms fire; however, he continued in full control of his company directing all activities in the ensuing attack on the bunker. First Lieutenant BARNES' leadership in the face of hostile action reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE A. ROLLINS, O1284940, Captain, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. During the period of 8 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, the ****Infantry Regiment, in successive fierce attacks advanced from the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, through Metz, and on to Saarlautern, Germany. Captain ROLLINS' superior knowledge of the tactical employment of his Cannon Company contributed immeasurably to the success of the attacking companies. By keeping a forward observer with each rifle company and by exposing himself to the heavy fire in front line positions, Captain ROLLINS enabled his Company to immediately deliver the fires called for by the rifle companies. In the assault on Metz, Captain ROLLINS' Company fired 200 rounds during a period of less than one hour. Captain ROLLINS' keen knowledge of his weapons and his courageous leadership reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

RAYMOND F. MCDONNAG, O391139, Major, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the

III. 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:

JOSEPH P. ONOFRIO, 3660034, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 19 November 1944 Private First Class ONOFRIO volunteered to drive the adjutant of the ***Infantry Regiment to a bunker on Metz's Farm and effect supply of the beleaguered garrison there. The road to the bunker was known to be patrolled by German snipers and subject to machine gun fire but neither of these hazards daunted Private First Class ONOFRIO. He valiantly drove the officer to the bunker despite German mortar and rifle fire along the way. At the bunker the water supply was low. Private First Class ONOFRIO drove into deep through German lines twice, returning with five-gallon cans of water. He then set out again, with the officer, over a route studded with mines and coal blocks by the Third Battalion. There the officer arranged for the dispatch of a transportable supply convoy back to the isolated troops in the bunker. Fuelled vehicles at the tail of the convoy became lost and Private First Class ONOFRIO volunteered to return to find them. Before the lost vehicles could run into enemy lines in the darkness Private First Class ONOFRIO found them. He contacted them to the objective without losing a single one. Private First Class ONOFRIO'S gallant actions were greatly instrumental in supplying the otherwise isolated troops. His courage, his unflinching and intrepid devotion to duty reflect lasting credit on him and on the military service. 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

FRANK H. DOHONEY, 01304696, First Lieutenant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 26 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Rebay, France, and in the vicinity of Wallerfangen, Germany. First Lieutenant DOHONEY'S platoon was in support of the advancing Infantry Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, with the hazardous mission of clearing the roads so that Tank Destroyers and Tanks might support the infantry elements with close fire. Under the capable and aggressive leadership of First Lieutenant DOHONEY the platoon accomplished its mission with outstanding success, permitting the Tank Destroyers and Tanks to ably follow the Infantry, destroying hostile strong points with their dreadful fire. First Lieutenant DOHONEY'S resourceful prowess and devoted leadership reflect distinct credit on him, and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES M. JONES, 6275033, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 and 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Karlsruhe, France. Wire was the sole effective means of communication between Company F and Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, and their Observation Parties and Battalion Headquarters during a vicious flame fight on high ground near Karlsruhe. Under steady German shelling, as well as occasional sniper fire, Private First Class JONES repaired and maintained this vital wire, thereby contributing materially to the eventual successful accomplishment of the mission. The distinct courage and high devotion to duty exhibited by Private First Class JONES reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

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RALPH H. DEFFER, 37526915, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Technical Sergeant DEFFER by his high courage and deadly shooting greatly aided in repulsing repeated German armor counter-attacks on hard-won positions near Bertrange. Refusing to yield ground to point blank fire from the enemy armor, Technical Sergeant DEFFER forcibly helped his squad kill five Germans, wound an undetermined number of Germans and destroy a German armored car. The heroic conduct of Technical Sergeant DEFFER reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

ALBERT R. JOHNSON, 3659761, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Technical Sergeant JOHNSON by his high courage and deadly shooting greatly aided in repulsing repeated German armor counter-attacks on hard-won positions near Bertrange. Refusing to yield ground to point blank fire from the enemy armor, Technical Sergeant JOHNSON forcibly helped his squad kill five Germans, wound an undetermined number of Germans and destroy a German armored car. The heroic conduct of Technical Sergeant JOHNSON reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

THEODORE R. WEBSTER, 36375549, Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Sergeant WEBSTER by his high courage and deadly shooting greatly aided in repulsing repeated German armor counter-attacks on hard-won positions near Bertrange. Refusing to yield ground to point blank fire from the enemy armor, Sergeant WEBSTER forcibly helped his squad kill five Germans, wound an undetermined number of Germans and destroy a German armored car. The heroic conduct of Sergeant WEBSTER reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

LAMARLE MC PHETERS, 34830311, Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Sergeant MC PHETERS by his high courage and deadly shooting greatly aided in repulsing repeated German armor counter-attacks on hard-won positions near Bertrange. Refusing to yield ground to point blank fire from the enemy armor, Sergeant MC PHETERS forcibly helped his squad kill five Germans, wound an undetermined number of Germans and destroy a German armored car. The heroic conduct of Sergeant MC PHETERS reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

MARVIN J. HOLMES, 36104200, Private First Class, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Private First Class HOLMES by his high courage and deadly shooting greatly aided in repulsing repeated German armor counter-attacks on hard-won positions near Bertrange. Refusing to yield ground to point blank fire from the enemy armor, Private First Class HOLMES forcibly helped his squad kill five Germans, wound an undetermined number of Germans and destroy a German armored car. The heroic conduct of Private First Class HOLMES reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Alaska.

mortality among the wounded and served as a potent inspiration to all who witnessed the confident and fearless manner in which he performed his life-saving duties. Captain HILBERT's exemplary conduct during this period reflects conspicuous credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JOSEPH FOSTER JR., 35924924, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France. Sergeant (then Private First Class) FOSTER'S rifle squad was executing a planned attack on a section of Fort Huber when, after crossing the Simeville railroad grade, the squad suddenly came under a fierce concentration of German mortar shelling. Heavy casualties were sustained and the squad was pinned down. Seizing the initiative, Sergeant FOSTER, under intense fire, recrossed the railroad tracks to obtain medical aid. Then he ably and vigorously reorganized the survivors of the mortar barrage and led them out to complete their mission. After loading his squad across a canal, Sergeant FOSTER found that he had lost contact with the assaulting platoon. First directing his men to cover, Sergeant FOSTER boldly went forward to reconnoiter for the main body. Machine guns from both flanks fired on him and a sniper fired on him from a hill to the rear but Sergeant FOSTER fearlessly persevered in his search until he came upon elements of the attacking platoon. He received orders from the Commanding Officer, returned to his squad, and intrepidly led them to the accomplishment of their mission. Sergeant FOSTER'S valiant leadership and great devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOSEPH J. JABLONSKI, 35333034, Private First Class, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the assault across the Moselle River Private First Class JABLONSKI'S Company found its way blocked by the deadly fire of an enemy machine gun which commanded the only avenue of approach to the objective. Private First Class JABLONSKI fearlessly led his squad in attack. In the face of heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, and heedless of his own wounds which later forced his hospitalization, this courageous infantryman with his squad succeeded in destroying the machine gun nest. This enabled the remainder of the company to move forward to its objective with a minimum of casualties. Private First Class JABLONSKI'S dauntless courage and perseverance reflect distinct credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Infantry. Entered military service from Ohio.

LEROY T. LOGAN JR., 32797117, Private, CG, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. On the night of 12 November 1944, after fourteen members of the party had gone to find boats and obtain aid for men holding a flank position to protect river crossing operations in the vicinity of Uckange, Private LOGAN volunteered to swim the swift, icy waters of the flooded Moselle to bring aid to his five companions. Removing all his clothes Private LOGAN swam approximately three hundred yards to negotiate the one hundred and fifty yard stream when the fifteen mile per hour current lengthened his diagonal course. On the friendly shore, Private LOGAN reached the Battalion Command Post, so cold that he could not immediately state his mission, and with his bare feet raw from the sharp and debris-laden streets of Uckange, a storm boat was immediately dispatched to effect the rescue of the other men, thereby obtaining

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aid for the wounded and possibly saving their lives. Private LOGAN'S heroic deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

STANLEY LEVINSKI, 3534290, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Colange, France. During the river crossing operations at Uckange, Staff Sergeant (and Private Platoon Class) LEVINSKI prostrated himself across German concrete walls, disregarding profuse enemy shrapnel, so that his comrades would make a successful landing from their assault boat on the east bank of the Moselle. Staff Sergeant LEVINSKI'S gallantry in action exemplifies the best traits of the combat soldier. His heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

RICHARD H. INGERSOLL, 01323433, First Lieutenant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Pelsberg, Germany. Under continuous artillery, mortar and small arms fire, and in the face of a depressed 20 millimeter flak gun, First Lieutenant INGERSOLL led his twenty-man platoon to the relief of an outpost fiercely counter-attacked by German forces. As First Lieutenant INGERSOLL'S platoon advanced over open ground two machine guns and the depressed 20 millimeter flak gun opened up with point-blank fire, and another machine gun delivered flanking fire, pinning down the platoon. In this crisis First Lieutenant INGERSOLL, with no regard for his personal safety, exposed himself to the terrible German fire and contacted his Command Post to obtain tank support. Awaiting the arrival of the tanks, he skilfully and energetically reorganized his men so that they could deal most effectively with the entrenched enemy. When the first tank arrived, First Lieutenant INGERSOLL mounted it and led the column of tanks and riflemen in a ruthless assault on the well-emplaced Germans. In the fierce action twenty-five Germans were killed, thirty were taken prisoner and nine German machine guns were captured; ground that the enemy had taken from the outpost was firmly regained. First Lieutenant INGERSOLL'S bold, vigorous leadership, and the gallantry he so plainly displayed on this occasion, reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

WALTER GERSZEWSKI, 37287529, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisinguen, Germany. When his Platoon Leader was seriously wounded in the advance on Guisinguen, Technical Sergeant (then Sergeant) GERSZEWSKI took command of the platoon and led his men in boldly pressing the attack on the enemy. In the bitter fire-fight German rifle fire wounded Technical Sergeant GERSZEWSKI in the knee, but he continued courageously to direct his platoon until the position was secured. His heroic action enabled supporting units on the flanks to close with and utterly destroy German resistance in the zone of advance. Technical Sergeant GERSZEWSKI'S fearless conduct and superb leadership reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

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vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. On 17 November 1944 the Third Battalion, *** Infantry Regiment, vigorously attacked strong German positions near Fort Jeanne D'Arc. Major KROENIG led his men from just behind the foremost platoon in the advance, courageously exposing himself to certain first trajectory fire in order to most efficiently direct the operation. The mission was to provide a supply line for the otherwise isolated Second Battalion by eliminating the enemy from the Third Battalion zone of advance. The attack was no sooner launched than Major KROENIG'S column received potent fire from the entrenched enemy. The column was hit in two, the mission was impeded, Major KROENIG was unable to contact the main body. Tenaciously determined to carry out his mission Major KROENIG issued orders which, when executed, secured the leading Company on through to the Battalion objective. The enemy withdrew before the leading Company's forceful assault, and the next day the Second Battalion was relieved. A supply line was effectively installed. Major KROENIG'S high personal courage and keen leadership reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

RASHLEIGH M. MACHLE, 3724438, Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank 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. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ISAACORE BLUMER, 01168559, First Lieutenant, FA, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New York.

THOMAS J. CASSELL, 01169050, First Lieutenant, FA, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

WILLIAM O. TERRY, 0583579, First Lieutenant, FA, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Tennessee.

JOHN R. LARSON, 01169405, First Lieutenant, FA, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN K. ELLIOTT, #2129592, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from California.

DANIEL M. ADVIL, 39093897, Staff Sergeant, FA, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Washington.

✓ WILLIAM F. FLEINOR, 39389715, Staff Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Washington.

✓ HILTON N. JOHNSON, 6971953, Staff Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

✓ RALPH L. JONES, 33015387, Staff Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ ROBERT P. NICHOLSON, 39151115, Staff Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from California.

✓ JOSHUA P. RADENAUER, 39389251, Staff Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Washington.

✓ ARTHUR L. BUSH, 17006904, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ ARLEY W. CARROLL, 16016837, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ GEORGE H. MILLSON, 39093807, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Oregon.

✓ HENRY B. STURZYNSKI, 36301035, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ CLARENCE A. THOMAS, 39093752, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Oregon.

NORBERT J. TITZER, 35168729, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

LEONARD SEIM, 39167770, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from North Dakota.

GERALD W. THOMAS, 35574533, Private, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

V. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and 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:

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JAMES GILLESPIE, 39389740, Sergeant, FA, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Washington.

VI. 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 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following:

GEORGE L. PERLICK, 01184128, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 16 November 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALFRED F. THOMPSON, 0497304, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Tennessee.

ERNEST PRICE JR., 01180010, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 26 November 1944. Entered military service from Iowa.

HOWARD J. RUTZ, 01175298, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 11 November 1944. Entered military service from New Mexico.

FRANCIS P. MC KIERMAN, 01184112, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 16 November 1944. Entered military service from Illinois.

IRA P. MC DOWELL, 01176128, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 11 November 1944. Entered military service from Mississippi.

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GORDON A. BAGGENSTOSS, O1180798, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 11 November 1944. Entered military service from Minnesota.

VII. WARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File 4G 200.6, 16 October 1944, in addition to the Air Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

ELMER C. BLAHA, O20662, Major, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 13 November 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

RAYMOND B. MARIE, O1167523, Captain, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 10 October 1944 to 15 November 1944. Entered military service from Louisiana.

WILLIAM G. ALCORN, O1166556, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 18 November 1944. Entered military service from Iowa.

PERRY WEST, O1177694, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 16 November 1944. Entered military service from Kansas.

EDWARD C. ENGELHART, O1182357, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 15 November 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM K. STRICKLIN, O1132723, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 10 October 1944 to 14 November 1944. Entered military service from Tennessee.

GEORGE L. PERLON, O1184128, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 16 November 1944. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALFRED F. THOMPSON, O497304, First Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 20 November 1944. Entered military service from Tennessee.

JAMES R. KING, O555551, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 10 November 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN J. OLIVER, O1999302, Second Lieutenant, (Chief of Staff Sergeant), FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period 11 October 1944 to 14 November 1944. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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NANCE G. FERRELL, O555443, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****F Artillery
Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period October 1944
to 11 November 1944. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES F. NICHOLS JR., O555444, Second Lieutenant, FA, ****Field
Artillery Battalion, for completion of thirty-five sorties during the period
11 October 1944 to 10 November 1944. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

By command of Major General T. J. JONES:

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HEADQUARTERS 95TH INFANTRY DIVISION
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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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

GEORGE THOMAS, 31431669, Private First Class, I.F, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. Private First Class THOMAS was wounded in the arm and his platoon was cut off from the rest of the Company during a furious attack on solidly-entrenched German positions east of Boulay. Despite the handicap of his wound, Private First Class THOMAS courageously infiltrated through German small arms and artillery fire to inform his Company Commander of the platoon's critical situation. He then led another platoon to the relief of his comrades, saving them from almost certain destruction. This hazardous feat accomplished, Private First Class THOMAS participated in driving off the enemy, and in facilitating his platoon's advance by hauling ammunition under German shelling. Private First Class THOMAS' resolute devotion to duty and his fearless behavior reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service.

II. RESCISSION: So much of Section III, General Orders, Number 37, dated 6 December 1944, and Section II, General Orders, Number 38, dated 7 December 1944, this Headquarters as pertains to the following is rescinded:

FLOYD E. GROSSLAUD, 35927823, Private, INF
LEON J. SINGLIER, 37449098, Private, INF
ALEX W. LANN, 32948805, Private, INF
LADDLE R. KOEISEK, 37287419, Technician Fifth Grade, INF
WALTER C. KELLY, 36357539, Technician Fifth Grade, INF
WILLIS G. MITCHELL, 31333152, Private First Class, I.F
WILLIAM G. MC CARTER, 35735854, Private, INF
DAVID A. MARTINEZ, 37344227, Private, INF
JOSEPH E. LANDRY, 31454704, Private, I.F
DONALD J. KELLY, 42091805, Private, I.F

III. 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 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following for meritorious

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achievement while participating in aerial flight from 15 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in France.

LOYD E. GREGGALUDE, 35927823, Private, INF, Service Company,****
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Ohio.

HARRY J. SINCHEIR, 37449098, Private, INF, Service Company,****
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from South Dakota.

ALEX W. HANN, 32448895, Private, INF, Service Company, ***
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from New York.

LADDIE R. KOZLESKI, 37787419, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service
Company,****Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from North Dakota.

WALTER C. KELLY, 36357539, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service
Company,****Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Illinois.

MILLIS T. MITCHELL, 35333155, Private, First Class, INF, Service Company,
****Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM G. MC GURNEY, 35735354, Private, INF, Service Company,****
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Ohio.

DAVID A. MARTINEZ, 37344227, Private, INF, Service Company,****
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Colorado.

JOSEPH E. LANDRY, 31454704, Private, INF, Service Company,****
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

DONALD J. KELLY, 42091105, Private, INF, Service Company,****
Infantry Regiment. Entered military service from New York.

IV. REFERENCE: So much of General Orders, Number 47, dated 17 December 1944, this Headquarters, as pertains to Frank B. MC GINN, 36061944, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company I,****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."

V. 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 following for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period indicated:

Service Company, 379th Infantry, during the period 1 June 1944 to 1 December 1944 performed in a superior manner the exceptionally difficult tasks that confronted it in preparing for overseas movement, and in operating with striking efficiency in combat. Resolute devotion to duty by all officers and all enlisted men was required and given. Enthusiastic execution of orders

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was habitual; often the issuance of orders was obviated by voluntary accomplishment of duties not yet assigned. In the Battle for Metz the resourceful initiative characteristic of the personnel of this unit made possible the overcoming of almost insuperable problems of supply. The practice of military courtesy by members of this unit was at all times superior. Rigorous periodic inspections insured the smart appearance of personnel and the cleanliness of equipment and installations. No venereal disease nor absence without leave occurred during the period involved. A high standard of discipline was continually maintained. The contribution of Service Company, 379th Infantry, was integral to the combat success of the 95th Infantry Division and reflects distinct credit on the officers and men of the Company and on the military service.

By command of Major General TADDLE:

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1. 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 the following:

ROBERT S. MERRILL, 01310476, First Lieutenant, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. In order to carry sorely needed ammunition to a Machine Gun Platoon located on the east bank of the Moselle River, First Lieutenant MERRILL volunteered to cross in an assault boat under terrible German shelling. In full view of the enemy First Lieutenant MERRILL with a crew of enlisted men made the hazardous trip. After delivering the ammunition, which enabled the Machine Gun Platoon to continue firing on German emplacements near Uckange, First Lieutenant MERRILL began to collect wounded soldiers, planning to evacuate them to the west bank in his assault boat. As he approached a casualty, a German shell struck First Lieutenant MERRILL. Killed in heroic action First Lieutenant MERRILL'S valiant self-sacrifice reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

MARION J. RICHARDSON, 37229436, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company C, **** Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Berviller, France. Returning from a fire mission, Technician Fifth Grade RICHARDSON stopped his tank near a farmhouse occupied by friendly troops. When he had dismounted from the tank, a mortar shell fired from a German pillbox to his right, landed close by. With heroic disregard for his own safety, Technician Fifth Grade RICHARDSON pushed four soldiers who were standing at the doorway of the farmhouse into shelter, leaving himself exposed to continuing hostile fire. Another German mortar shell landed in the area, and flying shrapnel struck Technician Fifth Grade RICHARDSON in the chest, wounding him fatally. Technician Fifth Grade RICHARDSON'S timely, brave and unselfish act reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

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DONALD C. SEAGER, 36899094, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Private First Class SEAGER volunteered to accompany his Squad Leader and another volunteer in a bold attempt to demolish a German pillbox obstructing the attack on Fort Jeanne D'Arc and Fort De Guise. In the face of intense rifle fire from the fortification, and under heavy German artillery shelling, Private First Class SEAGER and his two companions, carrying enough explosives to destroy the pillbox, moved out from the Anti-Tank Company area. Across forty-five yards of open ground the small party unhesitatingly advanced. At the threshold of their objective fiercely deliberate rifle fire was delivered on them. Determined to carry out their mission the three men persevered in their duty fearlessly. Private First Class SEAGER'S Squad Leader threw a forty-pound heave explosive against one of the entrances to the pillbox. He then detonated it, with devastating effect on the enemy. Private First Class SEAGER and his comrade prepared to start their charge against the other entrance. In the impetuous act of placing the explosive where it would prove most destructive to the enemy Private First Class SEAGER was killed by German fire. The exemplary fortitude and resolute devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class SEAGER reflect lasting honor upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 60-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps File 29 300.0, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

HARRY G. HOFFER, 36137269, Sergeant, CE, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944 and 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. To supply infantry troops holding a hard-won bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle and evacuate the wounded from that area Sergeant HOFFER volunteered to cross the flooded, swift-flowing river in a storm boat. Continual German machine gun and small arms fire added to the natural hazards of the operation, but Sergeant HOFFER, although he had never operated a storm boat before, was not deterred from his heroic conception of duty. In eighteen and a half hours Sergeant HOFFER transported three tons of ammunition and other supplies to the east bank, and on the return trip carried many casualties to safety. Twice in this time Sergeant HOFFER'S boat was so badly riddled by German machine gun fire that it became inoperative. When this happened Sergeant HOFFER obtained another boat in which heroic perseverance continued on his voluntary mission. The magnificent fortitude and ability of Sergeant HOFFER'S accomplishment is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALVIN K. BATES, 34002741, Sergeant, CAC, Battery A, ***Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, and 5 December 1944, in Germany. The 40-millimeter gun section commanded by Sergeant BATES was assigned the mission of providing anti-aircraft protection

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in a designated area. After a hasty reconnaissance, Sergeant BATES courageously led his gun section into position through a murderous hail of artillery fire. The artillery bombardment continued for twenty-four hours with approximately 100 rounds of HE ammunition falling in the vicinity every hour. Under direct observation of the enemy, Sergeant BATES began to build up his gun position and did not slacken his efforts, even though direct fire was being laid on this position, until an adequate revetment was prepared. Sergeant BATES' performance encouraged his men so greatly that, in spite of being under fire for the first time, they accomplished a very difficult mission without a casualty. The courage, coolness and extreme devotion to duty demonstrated by Sergeant BATES reflects great credit upon him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

WILLIAM J. KUKLA, 36357502, Sergeant, INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. The platoon in which Sergeant KUKLA was an Assistant Squad Leader had the mission of moving through a wooded draw east of Gravelotte and mopping up German snipers and destroying German machine gun nests. The platoon had gone just a short distance when fierce enemy machine gun cross-fire impaired the advance. To eliminate this dangerous obstacle Sergeant KUKLA and another Non-commissioned Officer of the platoon crawled toward the German machine-gun nest, into its continuous, deliberate fire. Twenty-five yards from the nest Sergeant KUKLA and his comrade hurled hand grenades; with fixed bayonets they closed with the enemy. In the consequent fight Sergeant KUKLA and his comrade killed two Germans, and captured two Germans. Then, from the German emplacement they effectively directed their platoon's fire on another enemy position, resulting in its destruction. Throughout this hazardous action the fortitude and combat skill of Sergeant KUKLA were exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GEORGE T. STILLMAN, 0387749, Lieutenant Colonel, GAC, Headquarters, ***Anti-aircraft Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944 and 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. While Lieutenant Colonel STILLMAN was visiting an anti-aircraft gun position in defense of a bridge over the Saar River, a German artillery shell hit a two-and-one-half-ton truck loaded with 40-millimeter ammunition, setting it on fire. With no regard for his own safety Lieutenant Colonel STILLMAN left shelter and assisted by other personnel extinguished the dangerous blaze. German artillery continued to pound the area and the fire had no sooner been put out than an exploding shell struck three soldiers in the area. Lieutenant Colonel STILLMAN up in exposed himself to the enemy fire, in order to administer first aid to the wounded men. Lieutenant Colonel STILLMAN's gallant example of conduct under fire greatly inspired the officers and men who witnessed his actions on this occasion. His daring leadership and consistent gallantry reflect great credit on Lieutenant Colonel STILLMAN and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOSEPH L. GOLSAN, 0378805, Lieutenant Colonel, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. On 14 November 1944, Lieutenant Colonel GOLSAN led his battalion in a forceful attack on stoutly fortified bunkers near Fort Jeanne D'Arc.

Lieutenant Colonel COLSON repeatedly exposed himself to heavy German mortar and small arms fire in order to closely observe and direct the progress of his Battalion. While thus engaged, he often directed medical aid men to the wounded and collected stragglers lost from their assaulting companies. As steady progress was being made on the Battalion's initial objective, Lieutenant Colonel COLSON was hit in the thigh by enemy fire. Despite his wound he continued to direct the offensive operation of his Battalion until he was forcibly evacuated from the battlefield. The gallantry, prowess and extreme devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Colonel COLSON on this occasion lastingly inspired his men and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

FREDERICK H. BRANDEBURG, 0438076, First Lieutenant, MC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, from 12 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. On 12 November 1944 when German armor viciously counter-attacked positions of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, on the east bank of the Moselle River First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG volunteered to cross the river in an assault boat with two medical Technicians in order to immediately treat the wounded and speed their evacuation. Upon reaching the east bank First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG and his two enlisted men were momentarily pinned down by heavy artillery fire. Then, First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG led the way to Bertrange. In the town First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG located an aid station and began administering medical treatment to the wounded. Throughout the nights of 12 November 1944 and 13 November 1944, with German armor encircling the town and firing pointblank on American installations within, First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG exposed himself to German fire in visiting collecting points where casualties were grouped until they could be moved safely to the aid station in the morning. Many lives were saved by his prompt treatment. On the afternoon of 13 November 1944 word was received from Imeldange that heavy German fire had inflicted six casualties among the troops in that town. Although cautioned to wait until the terrible artillery shelling subsided, First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG started out for Imeldange at once. Terrific German fire on open land between the two towns made the route absolutely impassable and First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG was forced to turn back. However, at daybreak next morning he started out for Imeldange again. German fire was still intense, but First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG discovered a shallow ditch running alongside the highway connecting the two towns and in this scant cover crawled to Imeldange. There he treated and comforted the six casualties. The heroic disdain for his own safety that First Lieutenant BRANDEBURG consistently displayed during this violent three-day period while devotedly performing his duty reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the medical corps. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

CLAUDE D. PATTERSON JR., 01181074, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Kerlingen, Germany. In the attack on Kerlingen First Lieutenant PATTERSON, serving as Artillery Forward Observer, accompanied the spearhead platoon of Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, mounted on tanks. As the advance moved along First Lieutenant PATTERSON perceived that the column was headed in the wrong direction, toward an area thick with enemy troops and heavy weapons. Fire from this area was increasing in intensity and the tank column was

running into almost cert in destruction when First Lieutenant PATTERSON, placing his own life in jeopardy, rushed through the concentration of German shelling to steer the column around, headed in the right direction by First Lieutenant PATTERSON'S courageous initiative, the spearhead drove on to the objective and took it. First Lieutenant PATTERSON'S timely and brave exercise of good judgment reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOSAH P. LYON, 01289248, Captain, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jussy, France. Captain LYON was leading Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, in an attack on Fort Jussy when the enemy closed all embrasures in the Fort and directed elements on Fort Jussy to deliver a barrage of mortar and artillery fire on the attacking troops. Quickly and correctly evaluating the situation Captain LYON ordered the main body of his Company to withdraw from the impact area while he remained in an exposed position before Fort Jussy directing the intense fire of a small covering party on the embrasures. Captain LYON'S marked gallantry in boldly risking his life for the sake of his command reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALBION C. MULCOCK, 0522457, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), INF, Headquarters Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. When a German patrol opened fire on his Observation post on a hill just south of Itzbach, Lieutenant Colonel MULCOCK calmly returned the fire, accounting for two enemy soldiers himself, and participated vigorously in routing the patrol. Later, as the attack on the village developed, Lieutenant Colonel MULCOCK exposed himself fearlessly and continuously to enemy small arms and mortar fire in order to most effectively direct the assaulting Companies of his Battalion in their entirely successful act. The intrepid leadership given by Lieutenant Colonel MULCOCK was plainly integral to the utter rout of German troops in Itzbach and the prompt capture of the village. His gallant conduct and high combat skill reflect great credit on Lieutenant Colonel MULCOCK and on the military service. Entered military service from Utah.

GEORGE WASENKO, 36507531, Sergeant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 16 November 1944 Sergeant WASENKO'S Squad was assigned the mission of placing explosives in the entrances to a German pillbox between Fort Jeanne D'Arc and Fort De Guis. on the Chatelet St Germaine Road. With two volunteers Sergeant WASENKO crawled across forty-five yards of shell-beaten ground to the concrete emplacement; the remainder of the Squad protected them. At the pillbox Sergeant WASENKO set a forty pound beehive charge against one of the entrances. He detonated it in the face of intense fire from inside the German position. In placing another explosive against the other entrance one of Sergeant WASENKO'S comrades was killed by German fire. Sergeant WASENKO and his surviving companion were forced to withdraw. Later, when the Germans in the pillbox surrendered, inspection revealed that Sergeant WASENKO'S explosive had damaged the concrete and forced an iron door at one of the entrances, thereby proving instrumental in the garrison's capitulation. The high order of personal courage displayed by Sergeant WASENKO, and his bold example of leadership, reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALPHA L. MILLER, 17044695, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 9 December 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When detonation of five hundred pound high explosives inside bunkers just east of Saarlautern failed to warn their use to infiltrating German forces, Technician Fourth Grade MILLER volunteered to close the entrances by welding. On the night of 9 December 1944 he crossed the Saar river and moved up to his objective, and all actions were zeroed in on the approach to the bunkers and the way was paved with German artillery fire. Technician Fourth Grade MILLER'S sole protection was darkness. With unsurpassable fortitude Technician Fourth Grade MILLER, standing in three feet of water, and even allay in flames the flash from his welding apparatus, welded shut the entrances to three bunkers. The next night, and the morning of 11 December 1944, Technician Fourth Grade MILLER sealed two more of the German emplacements, at the continual risk of his life. The heroic devotion to duty and bold skill of Technician Fourth Grade MILLER reflect high honor on him and exemplify the finest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

JOSEPH F. VERRANO, 31209775, Corporal, Co, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. As Corporal VERRANO'S squad disembarked from their assault boat on the east bank of the Moselle River a mine exploded wounding five of the soldiers. Under intense German shelling Corporal VERRANO placed the casualties in another boat and with one other man's assistance paddled the boat toward the friendly bank. Approaching the friendly bank, a shell blast threw Corporal VERRANO against the side of the boat, spraining his back. A shrapnel fragment pierced his hand. Despite the injury and wound Corporal VERRANO obtained litter bearers to carry his five wounded comrades to an aid station. He then reported the situation on the east bank to his Squad Leader before accepting medical treatment for himself. Corporal VERRANO'S gallant devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WILLIAM E. KLAWITZER, 36758682, Private, Co, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Private KLAWITZER with another engineer soldier, armed only with explosives, accompanied a group of infantrymen assaulting a German pillbox near Emsdorf. One hundred yards from the pillbox three German machine guns opened fire. Disdaining the fierce enfilade Private KLAWITZER and his companion continued to advance, covered by marching fire from three of the infantrymen. As they neared the pillbox fifteen Germans in trenches outside the emplacement surrendered. At this point a machine gun from another German pillbox opened fire and the prisoners tried to escape. Private KLAWITZER and the other engineer soldier, using weapons seized from the prisoners, participated in the vigorous arrest of the fleeing Germans. Five Germans were killed; seven surrendered. The three infantrymen occupied the pillbox and Private KLAWITZER with his engineer comrade returned to the command post to report the mission accomplished. Private KLAWITZER'S daring determination to close with the enemy in the face of vehement fire reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

RAY E. BRCCKS, 35242785, Technician Fourth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. On 14 November 1944 in the second of two fierce assaults on a heavily fortified German pillbox at Gravelotte, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, left behind several wounded men. At the risk of his life Technician Fourth Grade BRCCKS voluntarily entered the pillbox and remained with the wounded until he had administered all medical care possible. The position was not captured until late that night and it is probable that the survival of the American casualties was due to Technician Fourth Grade BRCCKS' intrepid performance of duty. The high order of gallantry displayed by Technician Fourth Grade BRCCKS on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LUCIAN V. GOLLON, 16083269, Private First Class, Co, Company A, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ansdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Private First Class GOLLON and another engineer soldier, armed only with explosives, accompanied a group of infantrymen in an assault on a German pillbox near Ansdorf. One hundred yards from the pillbox three German machine guns opened fire. Private First Class GOLLON and his companion advanced into the fierce enfilade, covered by marching fire from troops of the infantrymen. As they neared the pillbox fifteen Germans in trenches outside the pillbox surrendered. A machine gun from another German pillbox opened fire and the prisoners tried to escape. Private First Class GOLLON, firing a weapon seized from one of the prisoners, killed two of the fleeing Germans, the infantrymen killed three; seven surrendered. The three infantrymen occupied the pillbox and Private First Class GOLLON with his engineer comrade returned to the command post to report the mission accomplished. Private First Class GOLLON'S daring determination to close with the enemy in the face of vehement fire reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JAMES T. HESOM, 38100077, Private First Class, HQ, Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lerton, France. While Company C was engaged in a furious assault on German positions near Lerton its communications with the Battalion Observation Post were severed by hostile sniping. Private First Class HESOM was dispatched to the isolated Company to definitely determine the situation. On the way Private First Class HESOM was subjected to German artillery which killed several soldiers near him, as well as fire from German snipers. Unhunted he completed his mission, returning with the information that Company C was undergoing an overwhelming barrage from German artillery and depressed flak guns. A moment later Private First Class HESOM'S information was substantiated by word that the Company C commanding officer and other officers and key non-commissioned officers had been wounded and the Company was on the verge of disorganization, risking his own life Private First Class HESOM volunteered to retrace his perilous path and guide the survivors of Company C to a location where they could be reorganized. Under constant German fire he succeeded in this second dangerous mission and Company C was subsequently strongly reorganized. Private First Class HESOM'S heroic conduct and zealous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

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JOSEPH J. COPAS, 36572826, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Private First Class COPAS volunteered to accompany his Squad Leader and another volunteer in a bold attempt to detonate high explosives in the entrances to a German pillbox on the Chatel St Germaine Road, between Fort Jeanne D'Arc and Fort De Guise. In the face of intense rifle fire from the German position, and under heavy German artillery shelling, Private First Class COPAS and his two comrades carried their explosives across forty-five yards of open ground, as the pillbox fiercely deliberate rifle fire was delivered on them, but their determination to devastate the enemy was not changed. The Squad Leader placed a forty pound beehive explosive in one entrance of the pillbox and detonated it. Private First Class COPAS and his comrade prepared to set their charge against the other entrance. Then, in the act of placing the explosive where it would prove most destructive to the enemy, Private First Class COPAS' comrade was killed by rifle fire. Later, when the Germans were forced to surrender, inspection of the pillbox revealed that the explosive delivered by Private First Class COPAS' courageous party had damaged the concrete and forced an iron door at one of the entrances, thereby proving instrumental in the garrison's surrender. The high order of personal courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class COPAS reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

RAYMOND A. OMERWICK, 36825510, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, from 20 November 1944 to 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 20 November 1944 during bitter house to house fighting inside Metz, Private First Class OMERWICK noticed several wounded soldiers of his Company lying in the street unaided. Disregarding his own safety, he braved heavy artillery and sniper fire to tend the casualties and remove them to shelter. On 25 November 1944, in the drive on Boulay, Private First Class OMERWICK again displayed exceptional valor in performing his duty as Company Aid Man. While moving out to administer first aid to a casualty on the battle field he was wounded by a sniper's bullet. Undaunted by his own wound he treated his comrade before accepting evacuation himself. The heroic unselfishness and intrepid conduct of Private First Class OMERWICK exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

OTTO A. NISULA, 37287773, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company B, **** Medical Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On the night of 10 December 1944, Private First Class NISULA'S litter bearer squad was conducting four wounded soldiers of the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, under terrible German shelling across an open field leading to an embarkation-site on the east bank of the Saar River. Suddenly a burst of German mortar fire hit all the litter bearers and two of the casualties. Private First Class NISULA, although himself slightly wounded, with astounding calmness and fortitude reassured and attended his comrades, got them to their feet, assembled them, and, helping first one and then the other, led the entire group to the river. There he loaded them into a boat and brought them safely across to the Battalion Aid Station on the east bank. Private First Class NISULA'S heroism is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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ROBERT L. MILLER, 35438247, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Bois la Dame, France, when a soldier in his Company was wounded by German machine gun fire in the assault on Ft. Bois la Dame, Staff Sergeant MILLER, without regard for his own safety, crawled with another soldier in the face of strong enemy machine gun fire to the wounded man and dragged him to the safety of a shell hole, thereby saving his life. When Staff Sergeant MILLER returned to his platoon there were five bullet holes in his field jacket as a result of this gallant deed. Staff Sergeant MILLER'S intrepid conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

STANLEY V. KOZLOWSKI, 36600671, Private, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Bois la Dame, France, when a soldier in his Company was wounded by German machine gun fire in the assault on Ft. Bois la Dame, Private KOZLOWSKI crawled with a non-commissioned officer in the face of strong enemy machine gun fire to the wounded man and dragged him to the safety of a shell hole, thereby saving his life. Private KOZLOWSKI'S intrepid conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

FRANKLIN P. MONROE, 35747175, Private, FA, Company C, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Falck, France. On 27 November 1944, Private MONROE volunteered to retrieve a Security Section half-track containing ammunition, and a trailer loaded with gasoline, abandoned on the Falck-Lerton Road under heavy German shelling when members of its crew were wounded and evacuated. Moving up under direct observation of the enemy, who held the high ground, and under continual German artillery fire, Private MONROE coolly turned the vehicle around and returned it five hundred yards to a covered position near Falck. Private MONROE'S deliberate courage reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

CALVIN R. STONE, 01825990, Second Lieutenant, AUS, Company B, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 and 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On 3 December 1944 Second Lieutenant STONE moved his platoon of four M-36 tank destroyers across the bridge over the Saar River to protect the bridgehead. This rapid advance, made at great risk before the bridge was completely cleared of demolition, was to prevent the enemy from counter-attacking in an attempt to regain the bridge. On 4 December 1944 the Germans counter-attacked with tanks and infantry, supported by heavy artillery fire; however, the skillful employment of the 90 millimeter guns of his four tank destroyers and the .50 caliber machine guns successfully repulsed the tanks causing the foot troops to fall back. Again and again counter-attacks were made, all of which were repulsed because of Second Lieutenant STONE'S constant watchfulness and untiring efforts in checking each gun, always at great personal risk and without regard for his own safety. Thus he disorganized the attacks before they had successfully gotten under way. A midnight attack that had for its mission the destruction of the bridge across the Saar River was also repulsed. Not only did Second Lieutenant STONE go from gun to gun under heavy fire encouraging his men but when one of his destroyers was knocked out, he personally assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. Second Lieutenant STONE'S superb leadership and undying devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT L. ABRISON, 01821805, First Lieutenant, AUS, Company B, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlaborn, Germany. On the morning of 4 December 1944 First Lieutenant ABRISON, under cover of darkness moved his platoon of four M-36 tank destroyers across the Saar River and prepared to support the infantry moving to the east. This area was so heavily defended by tanks and anti-tank guns that he was unable to move his destroyers to the east across the open ground. Upon his own initiative he skillfully employed his tank destroyers and .50 caliber machine guns in the defense of the bridge against a determined enemy counter-attack with tanks and ground troops. During this entire period his platoon took a terrific pounding from numerous enemy artillery and mortar fire, and his men were badly shaken. The first counter-attack was successfully repulsed. The enemy lost three tanks and the ground troops were forced to retreat. Later in the afternoon several enemy counter attacks were launched, but again First Lieutenant ABRISON'S skillful employment of the 90 millimeter guns and machine guns disorganized them before they had gotten under way. About midnight another attack was launched to destroy the bridge across the Saar River. Under intense artillery fire and mortar fire, at great peril to himself, First Lieutenant ABRISON went from gun to gun checking their locations and positions and adjusting their fires. This brave aggressive action encouraged his men to hold their ground and break up the counter-attack. First Lieutenant ABRISON'S valiant leadership and great devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wyoming.

LEO P. FROGH, 0526746, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort De Feves, France. In the fierce assault upon strategic Fort De Feves on 15 November 1944, Second Lieutenant FROGH was leader of his Company's Assault Platoon. Under merciless and terrifying machine gun and small arms fire, Second Lieutenant FROGH fearlessly and ably headed his men and encouraged them to continue in the attack. Upon reaching the edge of the enemy's main position, Second Lieutenant FROGH was shot through the chest by an enemy machine gun, and although seriously wounded, he continued to direct the operation of Company A until its objective was secured. Second Lieutenant FROGH'S unsurpassable leadership and heroic fearlessness reflect great honor upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

LESTER E. MISCHKE, 37292935, Technical Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Before daylight on 6 December 1944, the Ammunition and Pioneer Platoon received order to establish a Battalion Ammunition Dump near Lisdorf, Germany within eight hundred yards of the forward elements of the enemy. Between the Ammunition Dump and the enemy was a large building, and about forty yards west of this was another building around which the dump was displaced in as much cover as time permitted. At about 1100 the enemy released a terrific barrage and a shell made a direct hit on the ammunition. The men who had taken cover in the building between themselves and the enemy were trapped, because the burning explosives were between them and escape. Technical Sergeant MISCHKE disregarded his own safety and acting unhesitatingly proceeded to separate the burning ammunition from the pile of high explosives, preventing them from igniting, thereby saving many of his platoon members from death or injury. Technical Sergeant MISCHKE'S intrepid feat reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. RESCISSION: So much of Section III, General Orders, Number 45, dated 14 December 1944, this Headquarters as pertains to ALVIN K. BATES, 34602741, CAC, Battery A, ~~****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion~~, is rescinded.

IV. AMENDMENT: So much of Section III, General Orders, Number 39, this Headquarters, as pertains to WILLARD J. DILG, OLC48527, Captain, CAC, Headquarters Battery, ~~****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion~~, is amended to read: "WILLARD J. DILG, OLC48742, Captain, CAC, Headquarters Battery, ~~****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion~~".

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

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

✓ CHELSEA L. HARKINSON, 37208678, Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bisten, France. In a critical phase of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, attack on the German-held town of Bisten, Sergeant HARKINSON led his squad uphill through murderous artillery and machine gun fire to assault a farm house defended by stoutly entrenched hostile forces. When the enemy's fire power seemed overwhelming Sergeant HARKINSON unhesitatingly continued to advance, setting a clear example of unyielding determination for his squad to follow. As they approached the German position Sergeant HARKINSON was wounded mortally by enemy fire, but the squad, inspired by their leader's heroic aggressiveness, pressed the assault and decisively carried the objective. The full allegiance given by Sergeant HARKINSON to the highest traditions of leadership in battle reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

~~* RESC. by HQ # 1. Jan. 1, 1945
MICHAEL D. VERTAN, 3777920, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 1 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. In the Gravelotte action German artillery and mortar concentration struck attacking elements of Company L, ****Infantry Regiment. With heroic disregard for his own safety Technician Fifth Grade VERTAN went into the terrible shelling to dress the wounds of three casualties and carry them to cover. Still undaunted by the persistent barrage Technician Fifth Grade VERTAN returned at once to the impact area to care for more of the wounded, while so fearlessly performing his duty he was killed by enemy fire. Technician Fifth Grade VERTAN'S valorous conduct and service reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Tennessee.~~

* ATTILIO LOVATO, 36256893, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

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✓ KEITH C. ELACHEURR, 37213230, Private, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944 and 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Kansas. *

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By Direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 500-45, as amended, and Ltr, Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ ANGELO A. PACIOTTI, 01285105, Captain, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jussy, France. In the assault on Fort Jussy Captain PACIOTTI accompanied the leading elements of his Company, after a rolling artillery barrage, in order to actively encourage his men in a method of attack that was new to them. Captain PACIOTTI's cool, vigorous leadership in the face of heavy enemy fire served as a potent inspiration to his command, and the objective was forcefully taken. The able foresight and gallant conduct displayed by Captain PACIOTTI reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ THEODORE P. GLANAS, 01176028, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. In order to install combat-required telephone communications to forces holding a bridgehead on the east bank of the Moselle, First Lieutenant GLANAS, accompanied by two non-commissioned officers, crossed the river in an assault boat, laying heavy cable. The operation took place at night, under enemy small arms as well as artillery fire. The current of the flooded river was dangerously swift, and the motor in First Lieutenant GLANAS' assault boat was defective. Despite the dangerous circumstances First Lieutenant GLANAS perseveringly accomplished his mission. The enthusiastic and courageous devotion to duty demonstrated by First Lieutenant GLANAS reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ NORMAN V. DELLMAN, 36249386, Staff Sergeant, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 2 December 1944 and 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Berus, Germany. Staff Sergeant DELLMAN, a member of the 95th Infantry Division Band, was serving as a litter bearer with the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, in furious fighting near Berus, Germany, when he was wounded by enemy shell fire. After his wound was treated he continued to perform his duty courageously until evacuated to the hospital. Staff Sergeant DELLMAN'S heroic conduct under heavy enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ RAYMOND J. MAPPA, 36600208, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 2 December 1944 to 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Berus, Germany. Technician Fourth Grade MAPPA, a member of the 95th Infantry Division Band, served as a litter bearer from 2 December 1944 to 4 December 1944, during fierce fighting near Berus. In the face of heavy German small arms and artillery fire he performed his duty with steadfast courage and coolness. Technician Fourth Grade.

KAPPL'S undeviating devotion to duty over long periods of time without rest facilitated the evacuation of a large number of wounded infantrymen, and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EDWARD R. SKOBIK, 3654563, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France. Technician Fourth Grade SKOBIK, a member of the 95th Infantry Division Band, served as a litter bearer with the second battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, from 12 November 1944 to 15 November 1944 during fierce fighting near Thionville. Throughout this period his personal courage under fire was conspicuous. On one occasion Technician Fourth Grade SKOBIK carried a wounded man through fifty yards of barbed wire without assistance. Technician Fourth Grade SKOBIK's gallant conduct was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

EDWARD G. BLANK, 36552634, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 12 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France. From 12 November 1944 to 15 November 1944 Technician Fourth Grade BLANK was in charge of a group of litter bearers evacuating casualties of the second battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, under enemy small arms and mortar fire near Thionville. During this period Technician Fourth Grade BLANK's courageous leadership was an inspiration to his comrades. His gallant behavior under fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

RICHARD R. HUNTAK, 36902938, Private First Class, INF, 95th Infantry Division Band, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 12 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Thionville, France. Private First Class HUNTAK, a member of the 95th Infantry Division Band, served as a litter bearer with the second battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, from 12 November 1944 to 15 November 1944 during fierce fighting near Thionville. His courage and dependability were conspicuous in the unhesitating manner in which he skillfully assisted in the evacuation of the wounded in the face of enemy fire. Private First Class HUNTAK's gallant conduct throughout this critical period reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WALTER R. BLANK, 36069562, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hambois woods, Sergeant BLANK was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the Aid Station which was to be the collecting point Sergeant BLANK was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the medical detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by fog, helicopter was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Sergeant BLANK and his comrades volunteered to form an auxiliary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Sergeant BLANK and his fellow volunteers devotedly performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the otherwise helpless wounded from the untitled terrain. BLANK, WAS

mission had been accomplished Sergeant BAKER, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Sergeant BAKER reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ WILLIS NYEMHUIS, 37748711, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company E, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hannibols Woods, Technician Fourth Grade NYEMHUIS was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the Aid Station which was to be the collecting point Technician Fourth Grade NYEMHUIS was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the Medical Detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by wooded, hilly terrain was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Technician Fourth Grade NYEMHUIS and his comrades volunteered to form an auxiliary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Technician Fourth Grade NYEMHUIS and his fellow volunteers devotedly performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the otherwise helpless wounded from the embattled terrain. When this mission had been accomplished Technician Fourth Grade NYEMHUIS, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Technician Fourth Grade NYEMHUIS reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

✓ HOWARD W. YANDA, 33394718, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company H, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hannibols Woods, Technician Fifth Grade YANDA was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the Aid Station which was to be the collecting point Technician Fifth Grade YANDA was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the Medical Detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by wooded, hilly terrain was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Technician Fifth Grade YANDA and his comrades volunteered to form an auxiliary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Technician Fifth Grade YANDA and his fellow volunteers devotedly performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the otherwise helpless wounded from the embattled terrain. When this mission had been accomplished Technician Fifth Grade YANDA, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade YANDA reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ ANTHONY F. VERBILLA, 37293738, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hannibols Woods, Technician Fifth Grade VERBILLA was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the Aid

Station which was to be the collecting point Technician Fifth Grade VARIALLA was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the Medical Detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by wooded, hilly terrain was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Technician Fifth Grade VARIALLA and his comrades volunteered to form an auxiliary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Technician Fifth Grade VARIALLA and his fellow volunteers devotedly performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the otherwise helpless wounded from the embattled terrain, when this mission had been accomplished Technician Fifth Grade VARIALLA, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade VARIALLA reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ RATSZY COSERZA, 3613079, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hammel's Woods, Private First Class COSERZA was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the aid station which was to be the collecting point Private First Class COSERZA was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the Medical Detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by wooded, hilly terrain was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Private First Class COSERZA and his comrades volunteered to form an auxiliary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Private First Class COSERZA and his fellow volunteers devotedly performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the otherwise helpless wounded from the embattled terrain, when this mission had been accomplished Private First Class COSERZA, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Private First Class COSERZA reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ KESSEL G. ALBERTS, 37451003, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hammel's Woods, Private First Class ALBERTS was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the aid station which was to be the collecting point Private First Class ALBERTS was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the Medical Detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by wooded, hilly terrain was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Private First Class ALBERTS and his comrades volunteered to form an auxiliary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Private First Class ALBERTS and his fellow volunteers devotedly performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the otherwise helpless wounded from the embattled terrain, when this mission had been accomplished Private First Class ALBERTS, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Private First Class ALBERTS reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

✓ ERNEST PEACOCK, 25902230, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company H, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on Hannibols Woods, Technician Fifth Grade PEACOCK was one of a group who volunteered to evacuate anticipated German prisoners of war. In moving from the Command Post to the Aid Station which was to be the collecting point Technician Fifth Grade PEACOCK was fired on by a German machine gun and shelled by German mortars and artillery. During this time the Medical Detachment suffered heavy casualties and further handicapped by wooded, hilly terrain was unable to evacuate all casualties. In this critical situation Technician Fifth Grade PEACOCK and his comrades volunteered to form an axillary litter bearer squad. Through extensive mine fields and under heavy machine gun, mortar and artillery fire Technician Fifth Grade PEACOCK and his fellow volunteers bravely performed their self-imposed, hazardous duty, recovering the other wise helpless wounded from the embattled terrain. When this mission had been accomplished Technician Fifth Grade PEACOCK, still under intense hostile fire, participated in the evacuation of captured Germans. The resolute devotion to duty and high order of courage displayed by Technician Fifth Grade PEACOCK reflect great credit on him and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

✓ ROBERT S. BALL, 36950136, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment attack on Foreau Min the enemy jammed radio frequency to a Company G rifle platoon in position at Foreau Farm under intense German artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private First Class BALL, a Battalion Messenger, volunteered to run a light communication wire to the beleaguered platoon. Under excellent enemy observation Private First Class BALL crossed a mine field pummeled by German artillery and mortar shells to help lay the vital wire. As a result of this intrepid deed the Battalion Commander received full information of the Rifle Platoon's situation and was able to dispatch needed reinforcements to it. Private First Class BALL'S bold anticipation of duty and fearless behavior reflect outstanding credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ WILLIAM B. GRABER, 31579102, Private, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment attack on Foreau Min the enemy jammed radio frequency to a Company G rifle platoon in position at Foreau Farm under intense German artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Private GRABER, a Battalion Messenger, volunteered to run a light communication wire to the beleaguered platoon. Under excellent enemy observation Private GRABER crossed a mine field pummeled by German artillery and mortar shells to help lay the vital wire. As a result of this intrepid deed the Battalion Commander received full information of the Rifle Platoon's situation and was able to dispatch needed reinforcements to it. Private GRABER'S bold anticipation of duty and fearless behavior reflect outstanding credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ BYRON E. DOLL, 0302749, Major, CG, Headquarters, ****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 Metz, France. Entered military service from California.

✓ MELVIN C. STILES, 01107158, Captain, CG, 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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ ELIAS L. TOLBERT, 01100801, Captain, CG, Company C, ****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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Virginia.

✓ WILLIAM T. BOOK, 0325891, Captain, CG, Company B, ****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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ LEON H. MILOT, 01100696, Captain, CG, Headquarters, ****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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Washington.

✓ DUDLEY E. HILE, 0470943, Second Lieutenant, CG, Company G, ****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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Louisiana.

✓ RICHARD D. HARLAN, 02104128, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, 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. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ ALLISON B. PORTER, 35486194, 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. Entered military service from Kentucky.

✓ RENELO R. CHRISTIANSON, 17107002, Staff Sergeant, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ RAYMOND R. JACKSON, 38019467, Staff Sergeant, 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 Oklahoma.

✓ LEONARD W. GLASS, 38019401, Corporal, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Richemont, France. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ WYNN E. JACOBSON, 37674339, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Richemont, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ MELVIN R. MILLER, 37392224, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlouis Roden, Germany. Entered military service from North Dakota.

✓ MELBYN C. RUE, 36832892, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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I AWARD, SOLENNOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of act 600, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. AF Corps, File AG 200.6, 10 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

ELUCIAN BROWN, 32758103, Staff Sergeant, TIF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort D'Allange, France. On the afternoon of 15 November 1944, Staff Sergeant BROWN led his squad up a steep draw over approximately twenty-five yards of barbed wire, into hostile mortar and machine gun fire, and under excellent enemy observation, in an assault on two German pillboxes near Fort D'Allange. Under Staff Sergeant BROWN'S vigorously aggressive leadership the squad attacked so fiercely that both pillboxes, although heavily fortified and strongly manned, were reduced, enabling the entire platoon to break through in this area. After the pillboxes were taken, Staff Sergeant BROWN was hit and killed instantly by an artillery shell. The bold, resourceful leadership and high personal courage displayed by Staff Sergeant BROWN reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

BENJAMIN T. OAKLEY, 35574509, Private First Class, TA, Company C, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Morten, France. In advancing on the town of Morten the Third Platoon of Company C, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, was cut off from the main body by enemy action. Private First Class OAKLEY volunteered to go forward from the First Platoon to find out the isolated Third Platoon's situation. Under heavy German artillery, anti-tank, machine gun and small arms fire Private First Class OAKLEY proceeded on his dangerous, self-imposed mission. When he reached the Third Platoon's location he found a scene of terrible destruction. Two of the platoon's M-36 Tank Destroyers had been knocked out; five men had been killed, six wounded, including the Platoon Leader. German troops from the dominating high ground east of Morten had infiltrated into the flanks of the devastated platoon's area and were in the act of encircling the survivors. Under heavy artillery and small arms fire Private First Class OAKLEY started out to deliver his report to the platoon leader of the First Platoon, so that the surviving personnel and vehicles of the Third Platoon could be rescued from the ever-increasing danger of annihilation. On the way Private First Class OAKLEY was wounded by enemy fire. The wound proved fatal but not until this courageous soldier had informed his Platoon Leader of their comrades' desperate predicament. Because of Private First Class OAKLEY'S heroic devotion to duty his Platoon Leader was able to extricate the survivors of the Third Platoon from

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their perilous situation. The courage and fidelity of Private First Class OAKLEY reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service, entered military service from Indiana.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDALS By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 606-15, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. A Corp., File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

EDGAR H. SMITH, 5742977, Master Sergeant, SC, ***Signal Company, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken, Germany. From 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944 Master Sergeant SMITH, as Chief Field Lineman, ***Signal Company, was in detailed charge of the installation and maintenance of Division wire lines. As a result of his full-hearted devotion to duty and his outstanding administrative and technical ability, excellent wire communication was maintained over an abnormally extended net during important tactical operations. When heavy enemy shelling in the Saarbrücken-Fischberg area continually interrupted important lines, from 6 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, Master Sergeant SMITH, although ill, against the advice of his superiors insisted on personally accompanying and directing the linemen who, under fire, kept these lines in repair. Master Sergeant SMITH's unyielding devotion to duty and remarkable technical achievement reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WALTER J. PUSTALIK, 56399315, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Dravelotte, France. Shortly after an attack on strong German positions near Fort Jussy was launched, Staff Sergeant PUSTALIK's Platoon Leader became a casualty and Staff Sergeant PUSTALIK took command. In the ensuing action the platoon encountered furious German machine gun fire, menacing the advance. Staff Sergeant PUSTALIK, without regard for his own safety, moved up and drew his line of squads and kept his men moving forward despite the savage enemy fire. Under Staff Sergeant PUSTALIK's fearless leadership the platoon fought with the enemy ruthlessly, and destroyed all German positions in the zone of advance. Thirty-five German soldiers were killed; three German machine gun nests were destroyed. Staff Sergeant PUSTALIK's aggressive leadership and resolute conduct reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CARLES HANFEL, 3283647, Staff Sergeant, FA, Company C, ***Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. On 14 November 1944 Staff Sergeant HANFEL organized four bazooka teams and led them across the Moselle river under heavy artillery fire to protect the bridgehead on the east bank, near Bertrange, from German armor. In the bridgehead area Staff Sergeant HANFEL lacked communications with his Company, however, acting upon his own initiative he successfully employed his four teams in the defense of Bertrange. For twenty-eight consecutive hours Staff Sergeant HANFEL led his men in staying off repeated blows from determined German armor. Upon completion of his mission, Staff Sergeant HANFEL brought his teams back across the river in darkness, still under strong German fire, without losing a single man. The heroic prowess and

resourceful leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant HEMPEL during this action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

BERNIE A. CANTERBERRY, 39075066, Corporal, (Then Private), E4, Company C, ***Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merton, France. Driving on Merton the M-36 Tank Destroyer in which Corporal CANTERBERRY was a Gunner was hit by a German anti-tank projectile. Two of the crew were wounded, the rest were dazed, and the Tank Destroyer caught fire. On recovering, Corporal CANTERBERRY under heavy artillery and small arms fire assisted in evacuating his two wounded comrades. Then he returned to the burning vehicle in a heroic effort to save the driver and the assistant driver. Jumping to the turret, small caliber German fire, Corporal CANTERBERRY lifted the hatches, but the two soldiers were dead. Corporal CANTERBERRY'S courageous and unselfish devotion reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

JAMES E. BISS, 34327183, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Bois La Dame, France. On 14 November 1944, while Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, was engaged in the attack on Fort Bois La Dame, Technician Fifth Grade BISS moved into the open, under fierce German fire, in order to administer first aid to wounded soldiers lying on ground ahead of the Company position. He remained with the wounded until litter squads could evacuate them from the battle field. Technician Fifth Grade BISS' heroic performance of duty under fire was instrumental in saving the lives of several soldiers and it reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

HARRY R. ALBERTS, 35797225, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Bois La Dame, France. On 14 November 1944, while Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, was engaged in the attack on Fort Bois La Dame, Technician Fifth Grade ALBERTS moved into the open, under fierce German fire, in order to administer first aid to wounded soldiers lying on ground ahead of the Company position. He remained with the wounded until litter squads could evacuate them from the battle field. Technician Fifth Grade ALBERTS' heroic performance of duty under fire was instrumental in saving the lives of several soldiers and it reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

RALPH M. HERZIG, 31346933, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Merton, France. During the daylight hours of 1 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade HERZIG treated and evacuated all Company G, ***Infantry Regiment casualties but two, under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire. That night, after the Company had withdrawn, he returned to the area unprotected by friendly troops and evacuated the two remaining wounded soldiers, thereby saving their lives. Technician Fifth Grade HERZIG'S brilliant fortitude reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

GEORGE L. KILLE III, 33775720, Private First Class, IAF, Company D, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Soufflerville, Germany. Scathing fire from a German heavy machine gun and German mortar had severely wounded the gunner of his squad, and had impeded the drive on strong German positions near Soufflerville, when private first class KILLE moved up to secure his squad's machine gun receiver and immediately put the weapon into action. The result of Private First Class KILLE's timely, brave act was that his machine gun fire eliminated from combat the German heavy machine gun and the German mortar, thereby enabling his comrades to return vigorously to the assault. The daring initiative and courage shown by Private First Class KILLE reflects conspicuous credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

GILFILLAN G. SHANK, 33454253, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merton, France. When Company C, ***Infantry Regiment withdrew from Merton Private First Class SHANK, Company Aid Man, remained behind under devastating hostile fire in order to treat the wounded. Although enemy troops were expected to enter the town that night, Private First Class SHANK continued to perform his life-saving duty with great intrepidity until Company C returned. The clear gallantry of Private First Class SHANK'S achievement reflects high credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

CURTIS L. KIDD, 33440171, Private First Class, IAF, Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Merton, France. In the assault on German positions near Merton the advance of Private First Class KIDD'S Machine Gun Squad across an open field was suddenly arrested by fierce fire from a German machine gun. Heavy casualties were sustained. At this grave point Private First Class KIDD, lying on his back, held his machine gun, without tripod, on his stomach, grasped the barrel between his knees, and with deadly, accurate fire silenced the enemy machine gun. Private First Class KIDD was severely burned by the overheated weapon, but his heroic feat enabled his squad to advance forcibly to the objective. The resourceful initiative and distinct courage displayed by Private First Class KIDD reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

MORRIS SILVERMAN, 42075346, Private First Class, IAF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Moulin-les-Metz, France. While participating in the mop-up of German elements in barracks near Moulin-les-Metz, Private First Class SILVERMAN noticed movement in the entrance to one of the buildings. Calling another soldier to cover him, Private First Class SILVERMAN entered the building alone. There was a noise in the cellar and Private First Class SILVERMAN set down to that room. There, he found twenty-four armed Germans. Confronted himself with calm confidence Private First Class SILVERMAN addressed the enemy in German and although greatly out-numbered he obtained the surrender of the entire group. Private First Class SILVERMAN'S intrepid feat reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

CHARLES E. MC DANIEL, 01101571, Captain, CE, Headquarters, 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Georgia.

DONALD F. LEHMAN, 0524521, Captain (Captain), Ch, Headquarters Special Troops, 95th Infantry Division, 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 California.

ARTHUR C. WOOD II, 0404507, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, 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 Oklahoma.

JAMES C. BORRUM, 01295160, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

JAMES F. WELLS D, 01580502, First Lieutenant, OD, **** Ordnance (LI) 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 Minnesota.

JOHN J. HUGHES JR, 01551430, First Lieutenant, OD, **** Ordnance (LI) 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 Rhode Island.

RALPH H. FISH, 01594162, Second Lieutenant, QMC, **** 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 Wyoming.

MARLEN D. JORDAN, 35362196, Staff Sergeant, L.F, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 7 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

WALTER J. EICHMAN, 32616811, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from New York.

VICTOR F. FREDMUTH, 36248228, Sergeant, QMC, **** Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 23 November 1944 to 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Teterchen, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

THOMAS D. FREAS, 35411694, Sergeant, SG, ****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 Saarlautern and Felsberg, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

DALE P. VALLIX, 36184962, Sergeant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

RAYMOND J. ROBLEWSKI, 36257467, Technician Fourth Grade, SO, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

CHARLES R. REYNOLDS, 35453818, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

VERGIL B. FRYER, 35636355, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CODA R. RHODES, 39286332, Private First Class, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. 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 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:

HENRY C. STORCH, 35504970, Corporal, FA, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 27 November 1944 to 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

By command of Major General TAG/DLB:

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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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ STANLEY KOZICKI, 36248153, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Company B, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade KOZICKI served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the ***Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Technician Fifth Grade KOZICKI had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he was wounded in action and evacuated the service of Technician Fifth Grade KOZICKI was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ GEORGE S. NICHOLS, 34328927, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company B, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Private First Class NICHOLS served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the ***Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Private First Class NICHOLS had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he was wounded in action and evacuated the service of Private First Class NICHOLS was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

✓ CLYDE T. NORWOOD, 34378884, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company B, ***Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Private First Class NORWOOD served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the ***Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Private First Class NORWOOD had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he was wounded in action and evacuated the service of Private First Class NORWOOD was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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FRANK PILECKI, 42120118, Private, Med Dept, Company B, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Private PILECKI served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the **** Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Private PILECKI had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he was wounded in action and evacuated the service of Private PILECKI was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

WALDEMAR I. HAEFFNER, 37411294, Private, Med Dept, Company B, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Private HAEFFNER served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the **** Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Private HAEFFNER had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he was wounded in action and evacuated the service of Private HAEFFNER was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

WILLIAM C. HOLLAND, 34894461, Private, Med Dept, Company B, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Private HOLLAND served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the **** Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Private HOLLAND had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he became physically incapacitated and was evacuated the service of Private HOLLAND was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

PHILLIP L. WERNER, 36858044, Private First Class, Med Dept, Company B, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Saarlautern, Germany. From 20 October 1944 to 17 December 1944 Private First Class WERNER served repeatedly as a litter bearer with rifle companies of the **** Infantry Regiment. On the many occasions when Private First Class WERNER had to expose himself to intense enemy fire in order to most faithfully perform his duty, he did so courageously and without hesitation. Until he became physically incapacitated and was evacuated the service of Private First Class WERNER was exemplary, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOHN L. SAPP, 36062319, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the fierce fighting in which his Battalion was engaged from 15 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, the gallantry and initiative of Staff Sergeant SAPP were consistently commendable. In order to select the most suitable position for his mortar section, in the attack on Fort de Feves, he fearlessly exposed him-

self to sweeping enemy fire, In the ensuing action Staff Sergeant SAPP'S observation post was under continual enemy fire, but he calmly directed mortar fire at approximate targets with deadly effect, breaking up an enemy counter-attack and affording the rifle companies steady protection. Staff Sergeant SAPP'S gallant performance of duty reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HARRY GOULD, 16098499, Private, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft. Plapperville, France. Twice in the attack on Ft Plapperville Private GOULD made his way to isolated platoons of Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, to treat and evacuate otherwise helpless casualties. Private GOULD'S service was performed under intense hostile fire, at night and in the dark hours of morning, and required extraordinary skill and fortitude. Private GOULD'S inflexible devotion to duty under incalculably hazardous circumstances reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

SEYMOUR SCHAEFER, 32784851, Private, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ft Plapperville, France. Twice in the attack on Ft Plapperville Private SCHAEFER made his way to isolated platoons of Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, to treat and evacuate otherwise helpless casualties. Private SCHAEFER'S service was performed under intense hostile fire, at night and in the dark hours of morning, and required extraordinary skill and fortitude. Private SCHAEFER'S inflexible devotion to duty under incalculably hazardous circumstances reflects great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from New York.

ALFRED G. FRASHER, 36184897, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. On 27 November 1944 Staff Sergeant FRASHER and another soldier went to St. Barbara to recover a 57 millimeter anti-tank gun that had been damaged by the enemy. German fire was still being directed into the area, but Staff Sergeant FRASHER proceeded to the weapon. Under fire he fastened the gun to his vehicle and successfully evacuated it to his unit where it was repaired and returned to action against the enemy. Staff sergeant FRASHER'S enthusiastic and resourceful devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ALFRED W. HUHTA, 37286060, sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Feves, France. In displacing forward against German positions near Feves, Sergeant HUHTA observed enemy forces, preparatory to counter-attack, moving in on the right flank of his Company. Acting boldly, in the face of small arms and artillery fire, he selected a gun position which though vulnerable to enemy aim had an excellent field of fire. Quickly Sergeant HUHTA opened fire on the assaulting hostile troops. The deadly fire delivered from this dauntless soldier's gun was highly instrumental in routing the German counter-attack and in enabling his Company to consolidate its position. Sergeant HUHTA'S daring act and intrepid skill reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

HERMAN F. BATES, 36600138, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Malmaison, France. Shortly after elements of the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment began their attack on fortified German positions near Malmaison, Technician Fifth Grade BATES' First Sergeant, seeing that there were not enough litter bearers to evacuate all the wounded, called for volunteers to form an auxiliary litter squad. Technician Fifth Grade BATES responded. With enemy small arms and mortar fire falling all around them, Technician Fifth Grade BATES and his comrades made trip after trip across the battlefield to evacuate the wounded. Many lives were saved because of their bold, timely action. Technician Fifth Grade BATES' heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN A. STOCKMAN, 31431815, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Malmaison, France. Shortly after elements of the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment began their attack on fortified German positions near Malmaison, Private First Class STOCKMAN'S First Sergeant, seeing that there were not enough litter bearers to evacuate all the wounded, called for volunteers to form an auxiliary litter squad. Private First Class STOCKMAN responded. With enemy small arms and mortar fire falling all around them, Private First Class STOCKMAN and his comrades made trip after trip across the battlefield to evacuate the wounded. Many lives were saved because of their bold, timely action. Private First Class STOCKMAN'S heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

BENJAMIN F. GODWIN, 6975459, First Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Malmaison, France. Shortly after elements of the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment began their attack on fortified German positions near Malmaison, First Sergeant GODWIN of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, noticed that there were not enough litter bearers to evacuate all the wounded. Seizing the initiative, he asked for volunteers to form an auxiliary squad. First Sergeant GODWIN then led his volunteers onto the battlefield, within one hundred yards of the fiercely-firing enemy, to assist in evacuation. Many lives were saved by First Sergeant GODWIN'S prompt, bold action. His heroic behavior reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

GLEN W. PETERS, 19164077, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ancy, France. On the morning of 11 November 1944 a wounded Medical Department soldier entered the building occupied by Technician Fifth Grade PETERS' Platoon, seeking aid for another casualty. The wounded soldier explained that the ambulance in which he was riding had struck a mine, killing the driver, and wounding the assistant driver and himself. He had carried the assistant driver to the cellar of a house two hundred yards distant. Technician Fifth Grade PETERS and two other enlisted

men volunteered to accompany an officer in an attempt to reach the otherwise helpless casualty. After moving along a fire swept road, through a mine field covered by German mortar fire, past the burning ambulance, Technician Fifth Grade PETERS and his three companions arrived at the cellar. They placed the casualty on a stretcher and stopping at the ambulance to make sure that the soldier inside was beyond help, traversed the mine field again, barely escaping the mortar shelling. Upon entering the road a machine gun opened fire on them from a position only two hundred and fifty yards away. However, the valiant group of soldiers reached their building without being hit. There, medical treatment was administered to the casualty and he was evacuated. The resolute fortitude displayed by Technician Fifth Grade PETERS reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

HERBERT C. SCHMILT, 37208599, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Nancy, France. On the morning of 11 November 1944 a wounded Medical Department soldier entered the building occupied by Private First Class SCHMILT'S Platoon, seeking aid for another casualty. The wounded soldier explained that the ambulance in which he was riding had struck a mine, killing the driver, and wounding the assistant driver and himself. He had carried the assistant driver to the cellar of a house two hundred yards distant. Private First Class SCHMILT and two other enlisted men volunteered to accompany an officer in an attempt to reach the otherwise helpless casualty. After moving along a fire-swept road, through a mine field covered by German mortar fire, past the burning ambulance, Private First Class SCHMILT and his three companions arrived at the cellar. They placed the casualty on a stretcher and stopping at the ambulance to make sure that the soldier inside was beyond help, traversed the mine field again, barely escaping the mortar shelling. Upon entering the road a machine gun opened fire on them from a position only two hundred and fifty yards away. However, the valiant group of soldiers reached their building without being hit. There, medical treatment was administered to the casualty and he was evacuated. The resolute fortitude displayed by Private First Class SCHMILT reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

VANCE M. STACY, 35464526, Private, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Nancy, France. On the morning of 11 November 1944 a wounded Medical Department soldier entered the building occupied by Private STACY'S Platoon, seeking aid for another casualty. The wounded soldier explained that the ambulance in which he was riding had struck a mine, killing the driver, and wounding the assistant driver and himself. He had carried the assistant driver to the cellar of a house two hundred yards distant. Private STACY and two other enlisted men volunteered to accompany an officer in an attempt to reach the otherwise helpless casualty. After moving along a fire-swept road, through a mine field covered by German mortar fire, past the burning ambulance, Private STACY and his three companions arrived at the cellar. They placed the casualty on a stretcher and stopping at the ambulance to make sure that the soldier inside was beyond help, traversed the mine field again, barely escaping the mortar shelling. Upon entering the road a machine gun opened fire on them from a position only two hundred and fifty yards away. However, the valiant group of soldiers reached their building without being hit. There, medical treatment was administered to the casualty and he was evacuated. The resolute fortitude displayed by Private STACY reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

DELBERT E. GALLAWAY, 35411397, Private, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944, a German shell scored a direct hit on an assault boat loaded with supplies for elements of the First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, on the east bank of the Saar River. Of the men who were to ferry the supplies across the river, two were killed, four wounded by the terrific blast. Private GALLAWAY found himself unaided with a badly wounded comrade. Although the barrage of German artillery and mortars did not abate, Private GALLAWAY, instead of seeking cover for himself, remained with his helplessly wounded comrade, giving him what aid he could. Unable to carry the casualty to safety, because of the deep mud at the river bank, he dispatched another soldier for medical aid, while the other soldier was gone German fire continued to strike with savage intensity, but private GALLAWAY stayed with his comrade. When medical aid arrived Private GALLAWAY helped carry the casualty four hundred yards to a vehicle. Private GALLAWAY'S heroically unselfish action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LOUIS J. KLINGER, 15105870, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company H, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In action against strong enemy positions near Fereau Min and Jailly Farm Staff Sergeant KLINGER had the mission of laying wire five hundred yards to the front, to an Observation Post. Despite heavy enemy artillery and mortar shelling he accomplished his mission successfully. Later, when a withdrawal was ordered Staff Sergeant KLINGER and the soldiers in his immediate vicinity were not notified. Terrific fire from German artillery and mortars fell near them. Seeing their predicament, Staff Sergeant KLINGER with acute presence of mind and initiative organized six of the leaderless soldiers and led them to safety. The calm, courageous leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant KLINGER reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOHN L. DORSEY JR, 35486051, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November to 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When German forces launched a strong attack on his Platoon's position near Gravelotte, Technical Sergeant DORSEY demonstrated outstanding leadership ability in directing aggressive defensive action. In the face of enemy fire he moved fearlessly from man to man issuing clear and concise orders which were highly instrumental in repulsing the attack. His intrepid behavior invigorated the platoon with an invincible determination to destroy the assaulting Germans. Technical Sergeant DORSEY'S actions on this occasion reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

DONALD E. PECK, 11108202, Staff Sergeant, (then Private First Class), INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. In the assault on a German pillbox near Lisdorf, Staff Sergeant PECK'S squad under furious enemy fire protected the advance of engineer soldiers carrying explosives. The engineers detonated their charges, destroying the emplacement's outer door, but from inside the Germans continued to fire. Staff Sergeant PECK, pressing the

assault, ordered his men to throw grenades at the hostile garrison and to fire through narrow slits in the pillbox. The engineers brought up more explosives, blasting the emplacement again, and the surviving German soldiers surrendered. When enemy forces counter-attacked furiously Staff Sergeant PECK led his squad in fighting them off and the hard-won position was held. The firm leadership and personal gallantry of Staff Sergeant PECK throughout this violent action reflect conspicuous credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WILLIAM E. LOCKATON, 35316085, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Itzbach, Germany. When communications between Company G and the Battalion Command Post were severed in a critical phase of the attack on Hannibois Wood Staff Sergeant LOCKATON voluntarily organized and led a team that laid wire from Fereau Min to the northeast edge of Hannibois Wood under clear enemy observation. Later, when the Battalion had fought its way to Itzbach communications between the Command Post at Guisingen and Company E, inside Itzbach, were lacking. Realizing the urgent need, Staff Sergeant LOCKATON again volunteered to organize and lead a crew in performing the vital and dangerous mission of laying wire. Handicapped by darkness, enemy-infested woods and frequent shelling Staff Sergeant LOCKATON nonetheless persevered on his self-assigned mission until the communications, four miles long, were installed. Staff Sergeant LOCKATON'S unflagging devotion to duty in perilous circumstances reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

DON G. HOLDEN, 36571651, Technician Fifth Grade, Med Dept, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. During the attack on Metz, from 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, Technician Fifth Grade HOLDEN repeatedly exposed himself to heavy mortar and small arms fire in order to immediately treat battle field casualties. His courageous and persistent action resulted in prompt evacuation of the wounded, at the constant risk of his own safety. The heroic devotion to duty given by Technician Fifth Grade HOLDEN reflects distinct credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AIR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AR 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to:

HENRY W. KEDDING, 01170445, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 23 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

III. BRONZE 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 Air Medal previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

✓ WILLIAM J. HALTON, 01177443, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 11 October 1944 to 8 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ IRA P. MC DOWELL, 01176128, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 12 November 1944 to 6 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

✓ FRANCIS P. MC KIERNAN, 01184112, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 17 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ HOWARD J. RUTZ, 01175298, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 12 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from New Mexico.

✓ GORDON A. BAGGINSSTOSS, 01180798, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 12 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

IV. AWARD OF SECOND 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 one Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal previously awarded, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

✓ HOWARD J. RUTZ, 01175298, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 12 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from New Mexico.

✓ GORDON A. BAGGINSSTOSS, 01180798, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 12 November 1944 to 2 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

✓ WILLIAM G. ALBORN, 01166656, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 19 November 1944 to 3 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ ELMER C. HLAHA, 020662, Major, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 14 November 1944 to 25 November 1944, in Germany. Entered Military Academy from Texas.

✓ PERRY WEST, 01177694, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 17 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

✓ WILLIAM K. STRICKLIN, 01182723, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 30 November 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

✓ GEORGE L. PERLICK, 01184128, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 17 November 1944 to 6 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ JAMES F. NICHOLS, JR., 0555444, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 11 November 1944 to 25 November 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ NANCE G. FERRELL, 0555443, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 12 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ JOHN J. OLIVER, 01999302, Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ JAMES R. KING, 0555551, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 11 November 1944 to 6 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

V. AWARD OF THIRD 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 two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal previously awarded, a third Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

✓ PERRY WEST, 01177694, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 17 November 1944 to 4 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

✓ JOHN J. OLIVER, 01999302, Second Lieutenant, (then Staff Sergeant), FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 15 November 1944 to 5 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ JAMES R. KING, 0555551, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 11 November 1944 to 6 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

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VI. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following Officer for wounds received in action in France on 17 November 1944.

WALTER F. ULLMER, O264359, Lieutenant Colonel, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion.

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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 the following:

GROVER A. SELL, 36359146, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 95th Infantry Division, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. On 17 December 1944 Staff Sergeant SELL was leading an assault team in dislodging the enemy from buildings in the town of Fraulautern. Staff Sergeant SELL smashed the blinds of a ground floor window and entered the front room of one of the houses. Four German soldiers opened fire on him and on the second and third men of his assault team. Sniper fire from another house killed the second man of the assault team, and forced the third member to withdraw. Staff Sergeant SELL dodged into a doorway and opened fire with his carbine. Three of the enemy fled. One withdrew to an upper floor. Covered by his fire the rest of Staff Sergeant SELL'S men and another assault team entered the building. Staff Sergeant SELL grenaded the basement, at the same time firing through the cellar window with his pistol. Six German soldiers in the basement, routed by Staff Sergeant SELL'S action, surrendered. Staff Sergeant SELL then pursued the German soldier who had withdrawn to the second floor. Before he could reach the top of the stairs, Staff Sergeant SELL was fired on and killed. Staff Sergeant SELL'S gallantry was an inspiration to his comrades and reflects lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARNOLD R. HILL, 37210005, Private, MD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for gallantry in action, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On 1 December 1944, in the fighting in Saarlautern, Private HILL was on duty as a litter bearer at the Second Battalion Aid Station, ****Infantry Regiment, when he heard a call for help. Rounding a corner in response to the cry Private HILL saw a wounded soldier lying in the street in direct range and view of a German machine gun nest. Disregarding his own safety and scorning any other help, Private HILL rushed out into the street to aid the wounded man. Halfway across the street Private HILL was wounded by machine gun fire. Instead of returning to cover Private HILL, although wounded, continued to advance to the casualty. He succeeded in crawling to within five feet of the wounded soldier, but his own

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wound proved fatal, and he died beside the man he had sought to aid. Private HALL'S full, heroic devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

CLEO T. SIMON, 35485638, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. Private First Class SIMON was one of a four man wire team sent out to repair a line from the Regimental Command Post to the Third Battalion Command Post. German artillery fire was heavy. When the team had restored the line as far as Felsberg they took cover. Pointing out the importance of the line under repair, the non-commissioned officer in charge of the team asked for volunteers to accompany him in completing the hazardous mission. All four men volunteered. Under terrible shelling Private First Class SIMON and his comrades crawled out of cover to resume their work. Despite the barrage they repaired several breaks in the line before a shell landed in their midst, killing Private First Class SIMON and wounding his three comrades. Private First Class SIMON'S gallant devotion to duty reflects lasting credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

STEVE MITAN, 35586349, Staff Sergeant, INF, (Armored), Company B, *** Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When a German tank at the end of a stretch of road emanating from a hairpin curve obstructed the way to St. Barbara, Staff Sergeant MITAN alerted another tank of his platoon to watch for fire from the enemy tank, and courageously drove his own tank around the curve. The enemy tank fired as soon as Staff Sergeant MITAN'S tank emerged from the curve. Staff Sergeant MITAN was killed, his tank destroyed. The tank alerted by Staff Sergeant MITAN before he made his heroic assault then destroyed the German tank and the advance on St. Barbara continued. Staff Sergeant MITAN'S intrepid act and unselfish devotion to duty reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR, MISSING IN ACTION: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 100.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

ARTHUR W. TODD, 36060631, Technician Fourth Grade, OE, Headquarters and Service Company, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. On 13 November 1944 Technician Fourth Grade TODD volunteered to help man a storm boat in which to evacuate Prisoners of War from the Uckange bridgehead area. The velocity of the swollen Moselle River's current, and heavy shelling by German artillery and mortars made the crossing extremely hazardous, but Technician Fourth Grade TODD, realizing that the congestion of prisoners in the bridgehead area would hamper operations, was undaunted. As the storm boat moved into the stream, the motor stopped and the helplessly drifting boat was capsized by the swift current. Only one member of the crew was able to swim to safety, and Technician Fourth Grade TODD is missing in action. His heroic devotion to duty and high courage reflect lasting credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

SILVIO J. PELRI, 37453920, Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Imeldange, France. When Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, was isolated on the east bank of the Moselle River for four days Sergeant PELRI became so afflicted with immersion foot that he could hardly walk. Despite this condition he refused to be evacuated and when, on 13 November 1944, the Company was counter-attacked by enemy armor and infantry he took command of small groups of soldiers whose regular commanders had become casualties, as well as directing the operations of his own squad. With cool, courageous leadership Sergeant PELRI welded his scattered troops into fighting squads and imbued them with a spirit that the enemy found unbreakable. The enemy counter-attack continued throughout the night, inflicting heavy casualties on Sergeant PELRI'S gallant group, but Sergeant PELRI and his men continued to fight back. When last seen Sergeant PELRI had little ammunition left, and his remaining comrades were few, but he was still fighting. The great combat skill and heroic devotion to duty exhibited by Sergeant PELRI reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wyoming.

III. 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:

JASON L. RICHMOND, 0328667, Lieutenant Colonel, (Then Major), INF, Headquarters, Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On 3 December 1944 Lieutenant Colonel RICHMOND led the Second Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, in spearheading the attack on Saarlautern. For a bridgehead to be quickly and firmly established across the Saar River it was necessary that the German city be cleared of German troops expeditiously. Under Lieutenant Colonel RICHMOND'S vigorous leadership the Second Battalion swung in a wide arc through the city, destroying the enemy ruthlessly in house to house fighting. Then Lieutenant Colonel RICHMOND pushed the attack on to stout pillbox fortifications in Saarlautern Roden, relentlessly eliminating the threat to lines of communication and supply. Throughout this action Lieutenant Colonel RICHMOND'S cool, sure judgement and daring, aggressive leadership under heavy enemy fire were an inspiration to his troops, and a distinct credit to himself and to the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ ARTHUR E. KHOURY, 0411858, Captain, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. No supply troops isolated for three days in a bunker cut off by strong German emplacements, Captain KHOURY reconnoitered a route to the beleaguered force and then led a convoy of thirty jeeps loaded with badly-needed ammunition and food across enemy territory under enemy shelling. Due to Captain KHOURY'S resourceful and gallant leadership supplies were delivered in sufficient time and quantity for the embattled garrison to continue its resistance and then assume a forceful offensive, dislodging the Germans from ten bunkers between Fort De Guise and Fort Plapperville. Captain KHOURY'S timely and heroic act reflects great credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

THOMAS L. JACKSON, 14118482, Private First Class, G5, Company A, **** engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On the afternoon of 7 December 1944 German troops counter-attacked a pillbox occupied by a force of infantrymen and engineer soldiers who were waiting for darkness before resuming an attack on enemy fortifications near Emsdorf. When fierce hostile fire through the doorway and embrasure pinned down their comrades, Private First Class JACKSON and another engineer soldier moved to repel the attack. The gunner of a 30 caliber heavy machine gun, the only automatic weapon in working order, was wounded. Private First Class JACKSON, with no regard for his own safety, braved the furious enemy fire and moved to the machine gun, in the center of the open embrasure. While moving into position Private First Class JACKSON was wounded in one leg twice, but despite his wounds he adjusted the machine gun and opened fire, killing five German soldiers and forcing the remainder to take cover. Inspired by Private First Class JACKSON's heroic deed in repulsing the counter-attack with the aid of only one other soldier, the rest of the men moved out into the trenches, where the Germans had taken cover, and engaged them in battle, leaving thirteen enemy dead on the field. The fortitude and daring of Private First Class JACKSON's action reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

FRANK HUSA, 35305170, Technician Fifth Grade, G5, Company A, **** engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On the afternoon of 7 December 1944 German troops counter-attacked a pillbox occupied by a force of infantrymen and engineer soldiers who were waiting for darkness before resuming an assault on enemy fortifications near Emsdorf. When fierce hostile fire through the doorway and embrasure pinned down their comrades, Technician Fifth Grade HUSA and another engineer soldier moved to repel the attack. As he was going to a prone position to open fire with his M-1 rifle on the Germans, a machine gun bullet struck Technician Fifth Grade HUSA through the shoulder and back, wounding him painfully. Undaunted by his wound, Technician Fifth Grade HUSA fired on the Germans, killing two and forcing the enemy to take cover. Inspired by Technician Fifth Grade HUSA's heroic deed in repulsing the vicious counter-attack with the aid of only one other soldier, the rest of the men moved out into the trenches, where the Germans had taken cover, and engaged them in battle, leaving thirteen enemy dead on the field. The fortitude and daring of Technician Fifth Grade HUSA's action reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOHN W. PAGE, 15307337, Private First Class, G5, Company A, **** engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Early the morning of 8 December 1944 Private First Class PAGE and another engineer soldier, covered by a force of sixteen infantrymen, had the mission of destroying by demolition an enemy pillbox in the vicinity of Emsdorf. The route of approach was a circuitous trench system connecting with the entrenchments around the objective. In the advance Private First Class PAGE and his companions discovered themselves surrounded by German soldiers. In the ensuing fire fight Private First Class PAGE and the other engineer soldier, who were heavily laden with explosives and therefore unarmed, broke through the enemy line, made their way between two of the six enemy machine guns firing from in front of the pillbox, placed their charge against the pillbox door, and detonated it while the fire fight still raged. The terrific explosion enervated

the Germans in the fire-fighting and they surrendered, supposing that reinforcements had arrived. Concussion killed ten Germans who had taken up positions inside the concrete emplacement. When Private First Class PAGE and his engineer comrade entered two rooms at the rear of the structure four more German soldiers surrendered. Two booby traps were removed from the rear compartments. Private First Class PAGE and his companion added their four prisoners to the twenty-two captured just after the explosion and with two infantrymen escorted the twenty-six Germans to the Command Post. Five Germans had been killed in the fire-fight. Ten in the explosion. Six German machine guns were taken intact. Twenty-six German soldiers were taken prisoner. Private First Class PAGE'S resolute devotion to duty and bold courage in the face of overwhelming enemy fire-power made possible the brilliant accomplishment of a difficult and dangerous mission, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

NICHOLAS J. ANTCZAK, 36600888, Private First Class, CE, Company A, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Early the morning of 8 December 1944 Private First Class ANTCZAK and another engineer soldier covered by a force of sixteen infantrymen, had the mission of destroying by demolition an enemy pillbox in the vicinity of Emsdorf. The route of approach was a circuitous trench system connecting with the entrenchments around the objective. In the advance Private First Class ANTCZAK and his companions discovered themselves surrounded by German soldiers. In the ensuing fire fight Private First Class ANTCZAK and the other engineer soldier, who were heavily laden with explosives and therefor unarmed, broke through the enemy line, made their way between two of the six enemy machine guns firing from in front of the pillbox, placed their charge against the pillbox door, and detonated it while the fire fight still raged. The terrific explosion unnerved the Germans in the fire-fighting and they surrendered, supposing that reinforcements had arrived. Concussion killed ten Germans who had taken up positions inside the concrete emplacement. When Private First Class ANTCZAK and his engineer comrade entered two rooms at the rear of the structure four more German soldiers surrendered. Two booby traps were removed from the rear compartments. Private First Class ANTCZAK and his companion added their four prisoners to the twenty-two captured just after the explosion and with two infantrymen escorted the twenty-six Germans to the Command Post. Five Germans had been killed in the fire-fight. Ten in the explosion. Six German machine guns were taken intact. Twenty-six German soldiers were taken prisoner. Private First Class ANTCZAK'S resolute devotion to duty and bold courage in the face of overwhelming enemy fire power made possible the brilliant accomplishment of a difficult and dangerous mission, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

IV. 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:

EDWARD L. EPSTEIN, 13094766, Private, MD, Company A, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres, France. On 10 November 1944, near Maizieres, France, Private EPSTEIN exposed himself to heavy German artillery fire in order to administer first aid to an enemy soldier. Disregarding

the fire, and heedless of his own safety, Private EPSTEIN continued to aid the enemy casualty until he was himself mortally wounded. Private EPSTEIN'S magnificent heroism reflects lasting honor on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

EARL B. BAUMANN, 36245275, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Metz, France. From 8 November 1944 to 13 December 1944 Technician Fourth Grade BAUMANN, in addition to performing with exemplary prowess his normal duties as radio operator, carried out other assignments with outstanding skill and devotion to duty. He participated in scouting missions, patrols, and in the operation of observation posts, thereby contributing greatly to the combat success of his unit during this period. On 13 December 1944, a German artillery shell came through the roof of the building occupied by the observation post Technician Fourth Grade BAUMANN was in charge of, killing him. The high technical attainment and consistently courageous conduct of Technician Fourth Grade BAUMANN reflect lasting credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, MISSING IN ACTION: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File #G 203.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

DOYLE D. VERRAN, 34374920, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. In the Gravelotte action a German artillery and mortar concentration struck attacking elements of Company L, ****Infantry Regiment. With heroic disregard for his own safety Technician Fifth Grade VERRAN went into the terrible shelling to dress the wounds of three casualties and carry them to cover. Still undaunted by the persistent barrage Technician Fifth Grade VERRAN returned at once to the impact area to care for more of the wounded. Technician Fifth Grade VERRAN'S valorous conduct and service reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Tennessee.

MORRIS TRUENICK, 36600596, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. On 14, 15, 16, and 17 November 1944, while serving as a litter bearer with infantry elements assaulting fortified German positions near Fort Jeanne D'Arc, Private TRUENICK repeatedly exposed himself to mortar and artillery fire in order to evacuate the wounded. When his own litter team became exhausted Private TRUENICK joined other litter teams and assisted them in their work. On 17 November 1944 he and another medical soldier went to a German-held bunker near Fort Jeanne D'Arc to treat American casualties there. His comrade returned to continue his work of evacuation but Private TRUENICK remained in the enemy-occupied bunker with the American wounded. Private TRUENICK'S actions during this four day period were an inspiration to all who served with him, and his personal bravery and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of Act 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File 4G 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

LUDWIG A. KASZMERS, 0514181, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Frankfurt, Germany. Second Lieutenant KASZMERS was assigned the mission of capturing a German strong point on a strategic corner in Frankfurt. Despite heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire he led his five man assault team down the main street and into a building near the objective. Second Lieutenant KASZMERS' party routed the enemy occupants, capturing six German soldiers as the survivors fled. Finding that the building was covered by bazooka and machine gun fire from an adjacent pillbox, Second Lieutenant KASZMERS withdrew his men to a point three houses away. Enlisting the aid of an engineer squad he led them through the walls of the three intervening houses and reentered the building at the head of his assault team. In the ensuing action nine more German soldiers were captured. Realizing that fire from the pillbox made the building untenable, Second Lieutenant KASZMERS caused it, and a tunnel connecting it with the building to be destroyed by high explosives. The gallant action of Second Lieutenant KASZMERS in aggressively leading his assault team against determined German resistance and his quick, bold initiative in destroying the building when he found it untenable reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

CLAUDE C. BÜGG JR, 35485620, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville, France. When the advance of his platoon on the village of Ottonville was obstructed by accurate enemy machine gun fire from a pillbox on dominating terrain, Technical Sergeant BÜGG, with his platoon leader, crawled under the withering fire to a point near the pillbox. There, Technical Sergeant BÜGG fired several bazooka rounds into the stout German emplacement, destroying the machine gun and eliciting the surrender of thirty-two German soldiers. Technical Sergeant BÜGG's intrepid action was an inspiration to his platoon and contributed materially to the eventual capture of the village of Ottonville, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CHARLES J. MONOVAN, 01306251, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville, France. When the advance of his platoon on the village of Ottonville was obstructed by accurate enemy machine gun fire from a pillbox on dominating terrain, Second Lieutenant MONOVAN, with his platoon sergeant, crawled under the withering fire to a point near the pillbox. There, Second Lieutenant MONOVAN fired several bazooka rounds into the German emplacement, destroying the machine gun and eliciting the surrender of thirty-two German soldiers. Following this intrepid act, Second Lieutenant MONOVAN led his platoon successfully to its objective. The aggressive and gallant leadership given by Second Lieutenant MONOVAN reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WILLIAM H. LOFF, 0129216, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Imeldange, France. When Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, had been isolated for four days on the east bank of the Moselle River, it was strongly counter-attacked by enemy tanks. The Company sustained heavy casualties, including the Company Commander and most of the officers and non-commissioned officers, and as a result broke up into small, leaderless groups, offering ineffective resistance to the advancing enemy. In light of the extreme gravity of the situation, First Lieutenant LOFF went from house to house, exposing himself to searing enemy fire, in order to reorganize the remnants of the Company into squads, giving them a definite mission and encouraging them by his own fearless action. First Lieutenant LOFF persevered in conducting a vigorous reorganization until he was wounded by German fire and removed to a building to await evacuation. Even then his indomitable courage lent strength to those who remained in the village. The high order of valor and leadership displayed by First Lieutenant LOFF reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JIMMY E. TYLER, 34393529, Staff Sergeant, (then Priv. to First Class), INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When both his Platoon Leader and Platoon Sergeant had been wounded in the advance on St. Barbara, Staff Sergeant TYLER masterfully reorganized the battered Platoon in defense positions among buildings in the town and aggressively led his men in repulsing attack after attack by enemy armor. Staff Sergeant TYLER'S keen and timely leadership enabled his company to hold its defensive position, and made possible the subsequent drive that smashed the Germans out of St. Barbara. His courageous conduct and resolute devotion to duty reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant TYLER and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

LEO W. MOHRS, 17017651, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. On 29 November 1944 during the fierce fighting in and near Guisingen, Company C, **** Infantry Regiment, was temporarily halted by deadly enemy fire. The Company had broken up into small groups fighting among the buildings of the village when Technical Sergeant MOHRS, at the risk of his life, moved from group to group, exposing himself to intense hostile fire, in order to vigorously reorganize his men. Once he moved directly under enemy fire to evacuate a wounded comrade, and many times he exposed himself dangerously in order to supervise the evacuation of others. Largely as a result of this intrepid soldier's bold actions the Company achieved staunch reorganization and was able to make a flanking attack, which broke the enemy's resistance and led to the capture of the village. Technical Sergeant MOHRS'S superb gallantry was an inspiration to his comrades and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JOSSEPH F. KULLAC, 36356586, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France.

Staff Sergeant KUPIEC had the hazardous mission of leading a two man patrol in search of German snipers, who had been harassing his Company, in tunnels below the kaserne at Metz. Inside one of the tunnels Staff Sergeant KUPIEC heard approaching footsteps, with quick, keen judgement he directed his two comrades to a position from which they were able to surprise the enemy soldiers and capture them. The captured Germans turned out to be the snipers who had been firing on Company L and the bold, prompt action dictated by Staff Sergeant KUPIEC resulted in their elimination, thereby materially contributing to the fall of the Kaserns. Staff Sergeant KUPIEC'S nerve, combat and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROUGLAS F. JONES, 35487373, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 21 November 1944 Staff Sergeant JONES exhibited high personal courage by guiding two ambulances through mine fields to evacuate the wounded from Fort Jussy. Three mine fields, one of which contained ninety-three box mines, and heavy enemy fire failed to dissuade Staff Sergeant JONES from performing his duty. His heroic conduct on this occasion resulted in the saving of lives, and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

OSCAR PATZER, 36184562, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. When his two companions were wounded in heavy German shelling Staff Sergeant PATZER was left alone in his mortar observation post. Undaunted by persistent hostile action he remained at his post and, by careful observation and precision adjustment, directed the fire of his 81 millimeter mortar with devastating result on two German machine guns and a German sniper position that had been delaying the advance of his Company's first machine gun platoon. Staff Sergeant PATZER then observed a German machine gun nest obstructing the second machine gun platoon and accurately turned his weapon's fire on it, eliciting the surrender of the German crew. Until all communications were gone Staff Sergeant PATZER remained at his post, under intense fire, dealing destruction on the enemy. His courageous devotion to duty and outstanding prowess in arms reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

RICHARD T. TOBEY, 32603925, Private, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ancy Sur Moselle, France. Private TOBEY volunteered to accompany another soldier and an officer in evacuating two wounded men from a road junction two hundred fire-swept yards from the house in Ancy Sur Moselle occupied by Private TOBEY'S organization. With his two companions Private TOBEY proceeded across the shell-pocked ground to the road junction and, under unceasing enemy artillery fire, helped to evacuate the two casualties. Private TOBEY'S intrepid behavior reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JAMES A. GARRETT, 3606030, First Sergeant, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. On 7 December 1944, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, began to receive German snelling at the edge of Felsberg, when a casualty was suffered, First Sergeant GARRETT, seeing that a stretcher was needed to move the wounded man to the aid station, left cover and ran under a hail of German artillery to the aid station. He returned with a medical pack, and the casualty safely loaded, and then made the return trip to the aid station over the mine track which was still receiving enemy shell fire, to give comfort to the wounded man. First Sergeant GARRETT'S fearless disregard for his own safety reflects great credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

ELMER KALOS, 36009197, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. On 7 December 1944, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, began to receive German shelling at the edge of Felsberg, when a casualty was suffered Technician Fifth Grade KALOS volunteered to drive his First Sergeant to an aid station to obtain a stretcher. Over a road that was being pounded by German artillery Technician Fifth Grade KALOS intrepidly completed his self-assigned mission. Technician Fifth Grade KALOS' fearless disregard for his own safety reflects great credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT W. HUNT, 16108325, Corporal, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern Roden, Germany. When Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, attacked buildings north of the railroad tracks in Saarlautern Roden, the radio carried by Corporal HUNT was the sole means of communication with the artillery. As the leading elements crossed the railroad tracks German machine guns on both flanks created a deadly wall of fire, and Corporal HUNT was hit in the leg. Despite the painful wound Corporal HUNT, realizing the necessity of getting the radio to the Forward Observer, who had already crossed, continued to crawl on across the tracks with the radio on his back to a pre-designated rendezvous. There, the Forward Observer by use of Corporal HUNT'S radio was able to direct artillery fire that greatly facilitated the attack. The resolute devotion to duty and heroic determination displayed by Corporal HUNT reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

EMIL A. ROTONDA, 38921876, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Liepzig Farm, France. Technician Fifth Grade ROTONDA was an aid man with the Second Platoon of Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, when the Company made its attack on strong enemy positions at Liepzig and Moscow Farms. In the fierce action Technician Fifth Grade ROTONDA moved out onto the battle field repeatedly in the face of intense hostile fire in order to administer first aid to the wounded and supervise their evacuation. He performed his duty with unrelenting energy and courage until all casualties in the area had been cared for. Finally this brave soldier's ceaseless efforts resulted in his own evacuation, due to extreme fatigue. Technician Fifth Grade ROTONDA'S valiant behavior reflects great credit on him and is in

keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

CLOYCE H. FENCE, 15105944, Technician Fifth Grade, IFF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operation against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. From 14 November 1944 to 14 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade FENCE consistently performed heroic service beyond his normal duty as Chief of the Assistant in location, and an exhausting campaign from the battle front to the German fire. From 1 to 2 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade FENCE served as driver and litter bearer, making litter loads of four hundred yards by hand over a forty mile run under terrible artillery fire. On 14 December 1944, at the front lines, he volunteered to take a vehicle and bring in a casualty while the area was being lethally shelled by the enemy. In dismounting to place the wounded man in his vehicle Technician Fifth Grade FENCE was himself seriously wounded by German fire. The bold and generous devotion to duty given by Technician Fifth Grade FENCE reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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VII. RECISSION: So much of Section I, General Orders, Number 51, dated 25 December 1944, this Headquarters as pertains to DOYLE D. VERA, 34374920, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, is rescinded.

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VIII. RECISSION: So much of Section III, General Orders, Number 45, dated 14 December 1944, this Headquarters as pertains to ARTHUR E. KROCKY, 0411858, Captain, IFF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, is rescinded.

By command of Major General TWIDDE:

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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 Ltr. Hq. XI Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

Citation awarded G.O.# 4-6 Jan 45
 *JAMES L. KRALLMAN, 37208940, Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. On the night of 8 November 1944 Sergeant KRALLMAN was in charge of an assault boat transporting soldiers of Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, across the ^{MOSELLE} Moselle River to the Uckange bridgehead. Shortly after pushing off from the west bank Sergeant KRALLMAN's boat was hit by enemy fire and threatened to sink. Displaying cool courage and superior leadership Sergeant KRALLMAN had the boat turned round and returned to the river bank, where he got his men safely ashore. He then plunged into the river under increasingly severe enemy fire, recovered the sinking boat, made temporary repairs, and again loaded his men into the craft. On this second attempt Sergeant KRALLMAN successfully took his men across the river where they joined their comrades in forcefully establishing a bridgehead for the main body of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment. Sergeant KRALLMAN'S courage and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the men of his Company and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

RAMOND G. BROOKS, 17046705, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In advance of the First Battalion column, Private First Class BROOKS led a seven man patrol to the entrance of Metz, capturing eight German soldiers in the city's outskirts. As the patrol moved forward to a bridge leading into the city itself, approximately twenty enemy soldiers and an enemy armored vehicle appeared at the opposite end. The Germans were emplacing a machine gun, and several of them were underneath the bridge, evidently preparing explosives. A force of friendly engineer soldiers approached the bridge, and the German machine gun opened fire on them, wounding two. Before further casualties could be inflicted, Private First Class BROOKS maneuvered to a vantage point. Firing rapidly and accurately he routed the German group, killing two of the enemy, and wounding two. His intrepid act prevented possible destruction of the bridge, and paved the way for his comrades to advance. Private First Class BROOKS' bold prowess reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

GEORGE J. VOLK, 36509250, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 21 November 1944 the advance of Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, in the city of Metz was halted by intense German machine gun and sniper fire emanating from a building in front of Sergeant VOLK'S squad. Through the vehement enemy fire Sergeant VOLK worked his way forward into the building. He opened fire with his rifle and threw grenades into all rooms and into the basement. The enemy, thrown into a panic by this relentless one-man assault, ceased firing to surrender to Sergeant VOLK and his squad. Forty prisoners were taken, enemy in adjacent buildings withdrew and Company F was able to resume its advance. Sergeant VOLK'S intrepid action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

EDWARD B. ORR, 39928654, Private, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 2 December 1944, in the vicinity of Beaumarais, Germany. In attacking Beaumarais the Second Platoon of Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, was pinned down only a twenty-five yards from the first house in the village by intense machine gun and mortar fire. With no regard for his own safety Private ORR ran through the deadly enfilade to destroy one of the machine gun nests with hand grenades. Pressing on boldly into the German position he eliminated a second machine gun nest. In this daring, heroic action Private ORR was wounded. Private ORR'S fortitude under fire is an inspiration to his comrades and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Montana.

REUFEN M. MICHAELSON, Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Buren, Germany. Blanking German machine gun fire was delaying the attack of Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, on hill 248 near Buren when Sergeant MICHAELSON took an automatic rifle and crawled to a vantage point from which his deadly fire eliminated the enemy machine gun. Sergeant MICHAELSON was wounded in the subsequent advance but he moved on, completing his mission. Credit for Company L'S success in this operation is due largely to Sergeant MICHAELSON. His aggressive and fearless performance of duty reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

IT. 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:

WILLIAM E. DAVIS, 36101440, Staff Sergeant, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the attack on a heavily-fortified hill near Metz, Staff Sergeant DAVIS many times installed his radio in plain view of the enemy so that artillery might be brought heavily upon the hill. Under intense and unceasing artillery, mortar and machine gun fire Staff Sergeant DAVIS, showing no regard for his own safety, persevered in performing his important duty with resolute devotion. Staff Sergeant DAVIS' heroism on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ELI-COD H. HAHN, 3387913, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, when a rifleman was shot by a sniper in Metz Private HAHN rushed out ahead of his comrades to administer first aid and evacuate the wounded soldier to a point of safety. This heroic performance of duty was typical of Private HAHN'S conduct in battle. His distinct valor reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CLIFFORD CHAPMAN, 3721604, Technician Fifth Grade, E4, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of France and Germany. During the period 19 October 1944 to 19 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade (E4) repeatedly distinguished himself by the resolute accomplishment of difficult duties. On one occasion he was driving from his Field Artillery Battalion Command Post to an embattled Regimental Command Post when a mortar barrage was encountered. A shell landed close by his jeep, puncturing a tire and thereby threatening to delay the artillery party in accomplishing the important mission of contacting the Infantry and obtaining artillery support for an attack. Technician Fifth Grade (E4) CHAPMAN, realizing the gravity of the situation, crawled several yards to his vehicle and while the mortar barrage continued and fragments flew through the air he changed the tire, permitting the artillery party to move on. Technician Fifth Grade CHAPMAN'S intrepid feat reflects high credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

WILLIAM F. BRAY, 01016370, Second Lieutenant, CAV, (Armored), Company C, ***Tank Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During the attack on Fraulautern Second Lieutenant BRAY led his platoon with consummate skill and courage in the most difficult kind of tank warfare, street-fighting. Under extremely heavy mortar and machine gun fire Second Lieutenant BRAY, with no regard for his personal safety, many times conducted foot reconnaissance for tank positions which would afford an advantageous field of fire and at the same time provide defense for the vehicles from anti-tank fire. So successful was his reconnaissance that his platoon was able to facilitate the advance of infantry elements for one thousand yards, against strongly fortified enemy positions, without losing a man or a vehicle. Second Lieutenant BRAY'S cool courage and skillful employment of his command reflects great credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

RAY SAYRE, 35439931, Corporal, E4, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. From 5 December 1944 to 15 December 1944 Corporal SAYRE participated in the hazardous establishment and maintenance of wire communication to an Artillery Liaison Officer at an Infantry Battalion Command Post. For ten days Corporal SAYRE, working tirelessly under severe hostile fire, was able to maintain uninterrupted communications between infantry and artillery, thereby contributing materially to the success of his unit's operation. Corporal SAYRE'S enthusiastic performance of duty in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

STANLEY P. NOVAK, 36600690, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. From 5 December 1944 to 15 December 1944 Sergeant NOVAK participated in the hazardous establishment and maintenance of wire communication to an Artillery Liaison Officer at an Infantry Battalion Command Post. For ten days Sergeant NOVAK, working tirelessly under severe hostile fire, was able to maintain uninterrupted communications between infantry and artillery, thereby contributing materially to the success of his unit's operation. Sergeant NOVAK'S enthusiastic performance of duty in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOSEPH CASTELLANETA, 32617319, Private, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. On 14 November 1944 at Gravelotte, private CASTELLANETA, truck driver in the wire section of Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, maintained wire communication, in the midst of mortar shelling and deliberate sniper fire, between the fire direction center of his Battalion and the forward observer party. Patrolling the line continuously despite the enemy fire private CASTELLANETA succeeded in keeping the wire in repair, enabling his Battalion to support infantry troops. Private CASTELLANETA'S heroic achievement reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ORVILLE H. WAHL, 35485581, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. On 14 November 1944 at Gravelotte, Technician Fifth Grade WAHL, a member of the wire crew of Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, maintained wire communication, in the midst of mortar shelling and deliberate sniper fire between the fire direction center of his Battalion and the forward observer party. Patrolling the line continuously despite the enemy fire Technician Fifth Grade WAHL kept the wire in repair, enabling his Battalion to support advancing infantry troops. Technician Fifth Grade WAHL'S heroic achievement reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT E. LINES, 35567520, Corporal, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Rozerieulles, France. On 14 November 1944 Corporal LINES carried a 610 radio on a pack board for three miles over terrain frequently swept by enemy machine gun and mortar fire to his forward observer section on a hill near Rozerieulles. Corporal LINES' radio afforded the sole means of communication to his Battalion and was used to direct artillery fire onto determined German counter-attacks, as well as in arranging for desperately-needed ammunition to be flown to the forward observer party. Corporal LINES' heroic feat of carrying the heavy radio the entire three miles without relief, and his fearless perseverance when enemy fire was met, reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOHN H. CRSTOTT, 3813346, Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When Sergeant CRSTOTT'S truck convoy, shuttling infantrymen from Saarlautern to Teterchen, reached its destination a heavy concentration of enemy artillery started falling. With cool presence of mind Sergeant CRSTOTT placed each vehicle and its occupants under cover, saving his comrades by his own fearless behavior. The barrage lasted more than an hour but due to Sergeant CRSTOTT'S swift action and calm supervision no casualties were sustained and no trucks were disabled. The heroic achievement of Sergeant CRSTOTT reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

EDWARD G. HORVATH, 01325991, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France, and Ober-Limborg, Germany. When his Platoon, engaged in clearing high ground east of Ober-Limborg, was pinned down by intense machine gun fire First Lieutenant HORVATH moved up to vigorously reorganize the Platoon and lead his men forward in a slashing assault on German positions. Returning to Ober-Limborg, the Platoon came under heavy mortar fire and severe casualties were sustained. With no regard for his own safety First Lieutenant HORVATH carried many of the wounded from the field under fire. He supervised the evacuation of all other casualties and in Ober-Limborg he himself administered first aid until the company aid men arrived. First Lieutenant HORVATH'S zealous devotion to duty and courage in action inspire his troops and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WARREN A. CARTER, 35488246, Technical 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 Ober-Limborg, Germany. In fierce action near Ober-Limborg Technical Sergeant CARTER exposed himself to searing enemy fire in order to adjust the fire of Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, on enemy infantry. When driven from his original post, he maneuvered to another point where he continued to direct accurate fire on the enemy until the action was successfully terminated. Technical Sergeant CARTER'S heroic achievement reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

RUSSELL C. DE FRANCE, 6932424, Technical Sergeant, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. In fierce action near St. Barbara Technical Sergeant DE FRANCE exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to adjust the fire of Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, on counter-attacking enemy infantry. When driven from his original post he maneuvered to another point where he continued to direct accurate fire on the enemy. His heroic performance of duty under fire greatly assisted in destroying the enemy counter-attack. Technical Sergeant DE FRANCE'S intrepid achievement reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM R. WILD, 36434774, Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsberg, Germany. When Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, took an important hill overlooking Oberfelsberg Sergeant WILD guided the Company command group and the forward observer party through heavy German artillery and mortar fire to a vantage point on the hill from which they could most clearly observe the Company and direct its attack. Sergeant WILD'S resolute performance of duty under fire was integral to the success of the ensuing action. His courageous behavior reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CONRAD A. JOHNSON, 36608133, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Amneville, France, and Kallertfangen, Germany. During the period 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade JOHNSON performed his duty as ammunition-truck driver for the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, in an exemplary manner despite continually perilous circumstances. He transported high explosives under enemy artillery and mortar shelling when his cargo was most vital to combat success and at no time did he ask for rest or for relief. Technician Fifth Grade JOHNSON'S undeviating devotion to duty and high personal courage reflect distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

DEL ROY R. DAVIS, 0442250, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Pierreville, France. As Surgeon of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, Captain DAVIS performed his duty in so clearly efficient a manner that his service became an inspiration to the entire Battalion. In a period of ten hours, on 15 November 1944, his Aid Station treated and evacuated one hundred and seventeen casualties. Captain DAVIS' heroic achievement reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ARTHUR L. DOTEN, 31209035, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 and 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf and Scharltern, Germany. On 5 and 6 December 1944, under unceasing artillery and mortar shelling, Private First Class DOTEN maintained the vital wire line between the switchboard of the Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, and the river line at Lisdorf. The line was frequently severed by enemy fire but Private First Class DOTEN'S heroic vigilance and high technical skill resulted in the maximum maintenance of communications. The bold, tireless devotion to duty given by Private First Class DOTEN reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

FRANK R. HARRIS JR, 0431594, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on the fortifications of Metz Captain HARRIS directed the operations of his Battalion Aid Station in a distinguished manner, despite continual exposure to enemy fire. He supervised the evacuation of the wounded and administered medical care in a plainly commendable fashion throughout this hazardous period. Captain HARRIS' heroic performance of duty under fire was instru-

mental in the saving of many lives and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Ohio.

ELWIN S. KESSLER, 0434469, Captain, MG, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on the fortifications of Metz Captain KESSLER directed the operations of his Battalion Aid Station in a distinguished manner, despite continual exposure to enemy fire. He supervised the evacuation of the wounded and administered medical care in a plainly commendable fashion throughout this hazardous period. Captain KESSLER'S heroic performance of duty under fire was instrumental in the saving of many lives and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Ohio.

CARL E. STRITTMATTER, 01028771, First Lieutenant, CAV, (Armored), Company C, ****Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During the attack on Fraulautern First Lieutenant STRITTMATTER led his Platoon with consummate skill and courage in the most difficult kind of tank warfare, street-fighting. Under extremely heavy mortar and machine gun fire First Lieutenant STRITTMATTER, with no regard for his personal safety, many times conducted foot reconnaissance for tank positions which would afford an advantageous field of fire and at the same time provide defilade for the vehicles from anti-tank fire. So successful was his reconnaissance that his platoon was able to facilitate the advance of infantry elements for two thousand yards, against strongly fortified enemy positions, without losing a man or a vehicle. First Lieutenant STRITTMATTER'S cool courage and skilful employment of his command reflects great credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

MERLE E. ROYER, 39382770, Sergeant, INF (Armored), Company C, **** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. During the attack on enemy fortifications in Saarlautern-Roden Sergeant ROYER, in the absence of his Platoon Leader, seized the initiative to reconnoiter on foot beyond infantry positions for an area from which his Tank Platoon could bring direct and devastating fire on the enemy. Sergeant ROYER'S intrepid foot took place under heavy mortar, automatic weapons and small arms fire. His resourceful and courageous devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

LESLIE J. BRANT, 36184592, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Anti-tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 2 December 1944 to 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Wallerfangen and Saarlautern, Germany. During the period 2 December 1944 to 6 December 1944 Technician Fourth Grade BRANT developed a method for mounting a quarter-ton tank pintle on the front bumper of the quarter-ton truck so that the 57-millimeter anti-tank gun can be pushed in front of the truck. Technician Fourth Grade BRANT'S improvisation makes it possible to place the gun in a difficult firing position, for instance, in woods or on streets, with a minimum of time and exposure to fire. This meritorious achievement of Technician Fourth Grade BRANT reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

* ROBERT W. PROVOST, 17092435, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Chamilly, France and Bärnkathern, Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

* WILLIAM W. CHAMBERS, 8229476, First Lieutenant Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 1 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Amerville, France. Entered military service from Louisiana.

* THOMAS W. CHAMBERS, 13040492, Corporal, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

* WYLLIE L. ROBERTS, 3749446, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bärnkathern, Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota.

* IRVING E. HILLBROOK, 36303478, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Bärnkathern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

* LUCK L. HILLER, 16097620, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 26 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Bärnkathern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

* HAROLD M. SCHIFF, 2108721, Chief Warrant Officer, US., Headquarters 95th Infantry Division, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

* CHARLES F. MAGLE JR, 0402611, Captain, QAC, ***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 Florida.

* JOHN E. FRANKOW, 01574064, Captain, QAC, ***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 Florida.

* THOMAS J. FALCETTI, 36800046, Staff Sergeant, SIG C, ***Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

* OREN G. WRIGHT, 35670550, Technician Fourth Grade, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

GEORGE T. WITTER, 36249790, Technician Fifth Grade, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

* JACOB J. RINKOLA, 36249720, Technician Fifth Grade, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

* CLARENCE H. TALL, 36248898, Technician Fifth Grade, Sig C, ****Signal Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

III. AIR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File CG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following:

MARIE B. WELSH, 35927650, Private, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15, 16, 17, and 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

MERRICK H. MC BILLY, 36600609, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15, 16, 17, and 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Illinois.

MICHAEL SPINELLI JR, 33343931, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15, 16, 17, and 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

JOHN D. PENNINGTON, #2112563, Sergeant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 15, 16, 17, and 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

IV. AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of WD Circular Number 345, dated 23 August 1944, a Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period indicated:

The 320th Medical Battalion, during the period 23 October 1944 to 21 December 1944, performed in a superior manner the exceptionally difficult tasks that confronted it in providing second echelon medical service during the op-

ations leading to Metz, in the battle for the fortress city itself, and in the action to the east, toward Saarlautern. Prompt evacuation of the wounded from battle was facilitated by the enthusiastic devotion to duty invariably given by officers and men of this unit. Due to the unflinching energy and careful planning of the supply section medical supplies were at all times available. The practice of military courtesy by members of this unit was consistently superior. No venereal disease or absence without leave occurred during the period involved. A high standard of discipline was continually maintained. The contribution of the 320th Medical Battalion to the momentous achievement of the 95th Infantry Division was large and reflects distinct credit on the officers and men of the Battalion and on the military service.

OK *21* 4. AMENDMENT: So much of Section IV, General Orders, Number 48, this Headquarters, dated 18 December 1944, as reads, "GERALD W. THOMAS, 35574533, Private E4, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion", is amended to read, "GERALD W. THOMAS, 35574533, Private, M.D., Medical Detachment, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion".

By command of Major General TADDE:

H. J. GOLIGHTLY
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

W. J. Flowers
W. J. FLOWERS
Major, A.G.D.,
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SECTION I - AWARD OF SILVER STAR
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SECTION III - AWARD OF GOLD 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. XI Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

WILLIAM H. HARRIGAN JR., 01319412, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On 7 December 1944, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, had the mission of reducing a stoutly-defended pillbox which obstructed the advance on a fort dominating the Emsdorf bridgehead. After two attacks had proved unsuccessful, Second Lieutenant HARRIGAN, the Platoon Leader to whom the mission was assigned, boldly seized the initiative. Ordering his men to deliver supporting fire, he maneuvered to the blind side of the pillbox. Next, he directed a soldier to follow him, carrying a high explosive, to a position in the rear of the fortification. From there Second Lieutenant HARRIGAN dashed around to an embrasure in the pillbox which was covered by heavy machine gun fire from nearby pillboxes. He placed the charge in the embrasure, detonated it and took cover. Finally he rushed back to the exposed side of the pillbox and dropped a white phosphorous grenade in the gap torn by the explosion. Second Lieutenant HARRIGAN'S daring feat encouraged his men to close with the demoralized enemy and the pillbox was quickly reduced. The zealous devotion to duty and high order of personal courage displayed by Second Lieutenant HARRIGAN reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

MARVIN D. SLAYDEN, 26507438, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Company A, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the assault crossing of the Moselle River on 19 November 1944, nine engineer soldiers, one whom was wounded, were stranded on debris beneath a railroad bridge, under direct hostile fire and observation, approximately seventy-five yards from the friendly bank, when their assault boats were wrecked by German fire. Technician Fifth Grade SLAYDEN, who was bringing supplies to the crossing site one hundred and fifty yards upstream, noted their plight and without waiting for assistance took a coil of rope from his supplies and moved downstream to the bridge. As the first span had been destroyed by enemy bombs, Technician Fifth Grade SLAYDEN had to cross on debris and climb up the under-structure of the second span. Under small arms, mortar and artillery fire he crawled to a point directly above the stranded men. He lowered one end of the rope and secured the other to the bridge. After two men had climbed up onto the bridge hand-over-hand they helped Technician Fifth Grade SLAYDEN raise the wounded man by means of a sling. Technician Fifth Grade SLAYDEN'S bold initiative resulted in the safe evacuation of the otherwise helpless casualty, as well as in rescuing eight comrades from a most dangerous predicament. His exemplary conduct reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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WALTER N. ANDERSEN, 37128023, First Sergeant, CE, Company J, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. During the period of 5 December 1944 to 7 December 1944, it was necessary to keep a constant watch on the depth of the Saar River above the Saarlautern bridge. Control of dams and locks on the upper reaches of the River was in the hands of the enemy, and by dynamiting these a precipitous rise in the water could be effected which would endanger the boom protecting the Saarlautern bridge. First Sergeant ANDERSEN volunteered for the hazardous task of measuring the depth of the water, and proceeded to the River which was about a mile from the Company Command Post, where he set up a measuring stick gauge, placing it well out into the river behind a sunken barge under direct enemy observation. Each two hours thereafter for three days, First Sergeant ANDERSEN went to the river and waded in waist deep to take the reading, drawing machine gun and small arms fire on each trip. First Sergeant ANDERSEN'S bravery and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

JOHN J. CONNERTON, 31075007, Corporal, INF, (Armored), Company B, **** Tank Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. In the attack on Saarlautern a German shell hit and set fire to Corporal CONNERTON'S tank, scattering burning powder over him, and endangering the lives of the entire crew. Corporal CONNERTON perceived that the driver was in especial danger since the tank gun was so traversed as to block the hatch. While the remainder of the crew evacuated the burning tank Corporal CONNERTON, although his clothing was on fire, and he knew that ammunition in the tank might explode at any moment, remained to traverse the turret, permitting the driver to escape. His gallant deed reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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

JOSEPH T. LAFFERTY, 13154428, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, **** Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Technician Fifth Grade LAFFERTY, with other personnel of his Company, was assigned the danger-fraught mission of maintaining communication to the advance Command Post, and to the assembly areas, during the preparation for the crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange and during the operation itself. Since radio silence had been imposed Technician Fifth Grade LAFFERTY and his companions had to install telephone lines to the Command Post and assembly areas and had to act as foot messengers to the more exposed positions. Under direct enemy observation and intense shelling, Technician Fifth Grade LAFFERTY fearlessly carried out his part of the mission so essential to the success of the momentous operation. His courageous and efficient work in the face of hostile action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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LESTER I. SCHWARTZ, 13106066, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Technician Fifth Grade SCHWARTZ, with other personnel of his Company, was assigned the danger-fraught mission of maintaining communication to the advance Command Post, and to the assembly areas, during the preparation for the crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange and during the operation itself. Since radio silence had been imposed Technician Fifth Grade SCHWARTZ and his companions had to install telephone lines to the Command Post and assembly areas and had to act as foot messengers to the more exposed positions. Under direct enemy observation and intense shelling, Technician Fifth Grade SCHWARTZ fearlessly carried out his part of the mission so essential to the success of the momentous operation. His courageous and efficient work in the face of hostile action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from District of Columbia.

ANDREW H. SCOTT, 15908108, Private, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Private SCOTT, with other personnel of his Company, was assigned the danger-fraught mission of maintaining communication to the advance Command Post, and to the assembly areas, during the preparation for the crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange and during the operation itself. Since radio silence had been imposed Private SCOTT and his companions had to install telephone lines to the Command Post and assembly areas and had to act as foot messengers to the more exposed positions. Under direct enemy observation and intense shelling, Private SCOTT fearlessly carried out his part of the mission so essential to the success of the momentous operation. His courageous and efficient work in the face of hostile action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHARLES R. CASEY, 37233641, Private First Class, CE, Headquarters and Service Company, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Private First Class CASEY, with other personnel of his Company, was assigned the danger-fraught mission of maintaining communication to the advance Command Post, and to the assembly areas, during the preparation for the crossing of the Moselle River at Uckange and during the operation itself. Since radio silence had been imposed Private First Class CASEY and his companions had to install telephone lines to the Command Post and assembly areas and had to act as foot messengers to the more exposed positions. Under direct enemy observation and intense shelling, Private First Class CASEY fearlessly carried out his part of the mission so essential to the success of the momentous operation. His courageous and efficient work in the face of hostile action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

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MILTON E. SHELLEY JR, 16093078, Private, CE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When Private SHELLEY learned from a wounded soldier that Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, was suffering casualties from friendly tank-destroyer fire he risked his life to cross open, unfamiliar country and seek aid and communications. After finding aid men he dispatched them to the wounded soldier. He then searched the front for approximately eight hundred yards, under intense enemy fire, following directions given by troops in the trenches, until he reached the Command Post of Company C, ****Infantry Regiment. There, he informed an officer of Company A's situation and a radio message was sent to have the fire lifted. Private SHELLEY'S intrepid action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JOHN F. HOLBIK, 36248700, Staff Sergeant, CE, 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. On 3 December 1944, with the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Staff Sergeant HOLBIK accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank safely, Staff Sergeant HOLBIK and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, working for two days under a constant hail of enemy fire, Staff Sergeant HOLBIK, although slightly wounded on 3 December 1944, participated in the location and removal of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and materiel and Staff Sergeant HOLBIK'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

HARRY E. TOHILL, 36061557, Staff Sergeant, CE, 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. On 3 December 1944, with the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Staff Sergeant TOHILL accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank Staff Sergeant TOHILL and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, Staff Sergeant TOHILL participated in the location and removal of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives, working under a continual hail of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, until he was wounded, on 5 December 1944. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern Bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and materiel and Staff Sergeant TOHILL'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM J. LUX, 36353477, Sergeant, CE, 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. With the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Sergeant LUX accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank Sergeant LUX and his comrades proceed-

ed to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, working for two days under a constant hail of enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, Sergeant LUX participated in the location and removal from the bridge of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and materiel and Sergeant LUX' heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JAMES C. MC CAFFREY, 3390472 Sergeant, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On 3 December 1944, with the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Sergeant MC CAFFREY accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank safely, Sergeant MC CAFFREY and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, until he was injured and evacuated late that evening, Sergeant MC CAFFREY participated in the location and removal of German demolitions under a ceaseless hail of enemy fire. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and materiel and Sergeant MC CAFFREY'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ADAM MORLOCK, 37285979, Technician Fourth Grade, CE, 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. On 3 December 1944, with the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank safely, Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, working for two days under a continual hail of enemy fire, Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK, although slightly wounded on 3 December 1944, participated in the location and removal of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and materiel and Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

DONALD W. SCHNABEL, 15306734, Corporal, CE, 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. With the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Corporal SCHNABEL accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank safely, Corporal SCHNABEL and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, working for two days under a continual hail of enemy fire, Corporal SCHNABEL participated in the location and removal from the bridge of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and materiel and Corporal SCHNABEL'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

GORLON D. PRICE, 32382992, Corporal, CE, 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. With the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Corporal PRICE accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank safely, Corporal PRICE and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, working for two days under a continual hail of enemy fire, Corporal PRICE participated in the location and removal from the bridge of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and material and Corporal PRICE'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

CARL W. FERRIER, 3650762E, Corporal, CE, 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. With the mission of securing the bridge at Saarlautern, Corporal FERRIER accompanied his platoon of combat engineers across the Saar River in the first assault wave. Reaching the east bank safely, Corporal FERRIER and his comrades proceeded to the bridge, two thousand yards upstream. There, working for two days under a continual hail of enemy fire, Corporal FERRIER participated in the location and removal from the bridge of sixty-four hundred pounds of explosives. The capturing intact of the Saarlautern bridge resulted in the saving of countless lives, time and material and Corporal FERRIER'S heroic participation in the operation reflects great credit on him. His resolute devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

EUGENE CUMMINS, 39846378, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On 3 December 1944, Technician Fifth Grade CUMMINS accompanied a platoon of combat engineers with the first assault wave across the Saar River. Although he was wounded, Technician Fifth Grade CUMMINS stayed with his comrades while they located and removed German demolitions from the bridge at Saarlautern. In two days, under a continual hail of German fire, he dressed the wounds of seven soldiers who refused to be evacuated and he evacuated three men who were more seriously wounded. Technician Fifth Grade CUMMINS' heroic devotion to duty in the face of intense enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

JOHN E. BREWSTER, 37208173, Corporal, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 7 and 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On the night of 7 and 8 December 1944, Corporal BREWSTER was medical aid man with a platoon of combat engineers located in the basement of a forward position in Saarlautern. When a man in the center of the street was hit by machine gun fire and called for help, the Platoon Leader, suspecting a trick, inasmuch as any noise in the street drew machine gun fire, ordered no one leave the basement. However, before the order was issued, Corporal BREWSTER ran from the basement, crawled to the wounded

man and under fierce machine gun fire dragged him back to the safety of the basement. Corporal BREWSTER'S intrepid act reflects great credit on him and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Kansas.

ANGELO C. PISTOLESI, 32686632, Private First Class, FA, Company B, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern Roden, Germany. In resisting a determined counter-attack against the bridgehead at Saarlautern, four of Private First Class PISTOLESI'S comrades became casualties. Without hesitation Private First Class PISTOLESI moved out of cover into an area pounded by terrible hostile shelling and brought them to a safe position. Private First Class PISTOLESI'S intrepid deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

GEORGE T. REED, 39193786, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Company C, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 and 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Under intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Technician Fourth Grade REED, with a comrade, repaired the track and bogie wheel of an M-36 Tank Destroyer and extricated a half-track from muddy terrain, thereby enabling Company C, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, to support the **** Infantry Regiment with its full fighting strength. The two men worked six hours without rest in order to repair the Tank Destroyer and at midnight began to retrieve the half-track, finishing the extremely difficult and hazardous task at 0230 the next morning. Technician Fourth Grade REED'S resolute devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

RUSSELL E. HATFIELD, 39094006, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Company C, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 and 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Under intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire Technician Fourth Grade HATFIELD, with a comrade, repaired the track and bogie wheel of an M-36 Tank Destroyer and extricated a half-track from muddy terrain, thereby enabling Company C, **** Tank Destroyer Battalion, to support the **** Infantry Regiment with its full fighting strength. The two men worked six hours without rest in order to repair the Tank Destroyer and at midnight began to retrieve the half-track, finishing the extremely difficult and hazardous task at 0230 the next morning. Technician Fourth Grade HATFIELD'S resolute devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

JOE W. FUCKLEY, 37213067, Corporal, 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 Missouri.

ARLA R. HICKS, 35428176, Technician Fifth Grade, 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 West Virginia.

MARLE E. EUTSLER, 35411389, 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 Ohio.

VENOL M. SENEVIER, 37300667, Private, 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 North Dakota.

GEORGE R. DUNHAM, 36060557, 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 Illinois.

HARF L. WARDWELL, 01165803, First Lieutenant, 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 Illinois.

RAVEN B. BATTON, 35438321, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 10 November 1944 to 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

LEVI A. STANTON, 6263922, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 21 October 1944 to 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Colorado.

ERL G. HERSHBARGER, 0437548, Captain, MC, Company B, **** Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

RICHARD J. MISH, 0413400, Captain, CE, Headquarters, **** 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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Maryland.

RICHARD J. EOYLE, 01106610, First Lieutenant, CE, Headquarters, **** 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 Metz, France. Entered military service from Kansas.

III. 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:

WILLIAM FENDERGAST, O1822048, First Lieutenant, FA, Company C, *** Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 19 November 1944 First Lieutenant FENDERGAST spearheaded with his Tank Destroyer Platoon the attack of Task Force ***** on Metz. Under his bold and skillful leadership the Platoon moved forcibly across the Seille River Bridge into the city, destroying all resistance in the area of the Moselle and Seille River junction. In the afternoon, First Lieutenant FENDERGAST'S Platoon, flanked by an infantry platoon, assaulted the strongly-defended Gestapo Headquarters, considered to be the center of organized resistance in Metz. In fierce action the occupants were routed and the building was destroyed. Forty German soldiers, survivors of First Lieutenant FENDERGAST'S potent assault, surrendered. The gallant leadership and high combat skill displayed by First Lieutenant FENDERGAST reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

By command of Major General TRUDILE:

H. J. COLLIGHTL
Colonel, G.S.C.,
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-23, as amended, and War Dept. AR Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

EMMETT R. WALKER JR, 0448729, Second Lieutenant, INF, Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Under heavy enemy fire Second Lieutenant WALKER has repeatedly distinguished himself by directing the fire of Cannon Company, ***Infantry Regiment, with devastating effect on German positions. One time, when the advance of Company E, ***Infantry Regiment, in Ensdorf was delayed by an enemy force entrenched in a house, Second Lieutenant WALKER went to the attic of a building only fifty yards from the enemy to adjust Cannon Company's fire on the house. Three direct hits inflicted such heavy casualties that the rifle company was able to resume its advance. Heavy German mortar fire fell close to Second Lieutenant WALKER'S exposed position but he remained there until resistance had been destroyed. The steadfast devotion and calm performance of duty characteristic of Second Lieutenant WALKER'S service reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

HILBERT W. LACEY JR, 11120878, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Although he was struck by hand grenade fragments in the attack of Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, on an enemy pillbox near Ensdorf, Private First Class LACEY disregarded his wound and exposed himself to intense machine gun fire in order to remove other casualties to cover on the Saar River bank. Perceiving that the more seriously wounded of his comrades were in need of prompt medical treatment, Private First Class LACEY plunged into the cold, swift current of the Saar and swam to the friendly bank for assistance. When he had contacted medical personnel he guided them back to the wounded men on the far bank before submitting to evacuation himself. Private First Class LACEY'S heroic act reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROBERT M. HANLEY, 36061041, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company L, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Technical Sergeant HANLEY displayed outstanding combat skill and courage in an assault on a German pillbox near Ensdorf, on 9 December 1944. After he had led his patrol under fire to within twenty feet of the objective Technical Sergeant HANLEY ordered protective fire

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while he rushed the pillbox entrance alone. Under cover of smoke and supporting fire Technical Sergeant HALEY entered the entrance, threw a hand grenade into the pillbox, and rushed inside. His bold form stunned the enemy and the five German soldiers occupying the position surrendered to him. The daring leadership and determined devotion to duty given by Technical Sergeant HALEY reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ CARL L. BARKER, 3104224, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On the evening of Metz Technical Sergeant BARKER's platoon was halted at a canal on the enemy's outskirt. No military craft were available but Technical Sergeant BARKER moved his men across the canal in a civilian boat. Under intense enemy fire Technical Sergeant BARKER made eight crossings himself, escorting his entire platoon to the left side of the canal. By the time the eighth crossing had been made the boat had been so badly riddled by enemy bullets that it was on the verge of sinking. Across the canal Technical Sergeant BARKER led his platoon to buildings on the edge of the city. There he established strong points which protected the crossing of the rear body of his Company. The heroic leadership and resourceful combat skill displayed by Technical Sergeant BARKER reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

WALTER E. ELLIY, 37428419, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Sasdorf, Germany. While firing a .50 caliber machine gun in support of an attacking rifle company, Technician Fourth Grade ELLIY was suddenly subjected to heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire. The rest of the gun crew took cover but Technician Fourth Grade ELLIY continued firing and eliminated an enemy machine gun. Mortar fire was directed on his position but he continued to carry out his mission until the fire was masked. The clear fortitude displayed on this occasion by Technician Fourth Grade ELLIY, whose regular duty is that of cook, reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

JERRY J. O'DONNELL, 36003712, Technical Sergeant, (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Billingen, Germany. While Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, was being reorganized in a railroad underpass, direct Tank Destroyer fire was received. A mortar platoon were killed and all of the Company's officers were wounded. In the critical situation Technical Sergeant O'DONNELL displayed striking qualities of leadership by supervising the evacuation of the wounded and by leading his reorganized company to the First Battalion under heavy enemy fire. Technical Sergeant O'DONNELL'S intrepid action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WALTER L. SMITH, 0497298, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Semecourt, France. First Lieutenant SMITH, forward observer with Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, which had taken Fort De Feves on the morning of 15 November 1944, continued in the execution of his hazardous duties in the face of an intense enemy artillery and mortar barrage and infantry counter-attack against the Fort during the late afternoon of the same day. With-

out regard to his own safety and remaining in a position exposed to enemy machine gun and rifle fire, First Lieutenant SMITH adjusted artillery fire on the enemy forces with such telling effect that the counter-attack was repelled with heavy enemy losses. Again shortly after dark, the enemy counter-attacked, and again First Lieutenant SMITH'S exceptionally accurate observations and unfailing courage brought devastating fire on the attacking enemy. The second counter-attack failed, and Fort de Foyes was successfully held by our infantry. First Lieutenant SMITH'S intrepid action on this occasion reflects distinct honor upon himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

JOHN G. VOIGHT, 0187781, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, 888th Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Grevelingen, France. During the attack on the strongly-held enemy bunkers north and south of Fort Jussy, First Lieutenant VOIGHT, forward observer with Company B, 888th Infantry Regiment, adjusted artillery fire supporting the company's advance and then moving forward, keeping fifty yards ahead of the attacking infantry and staying within fifty to one hundred yards of the shell bursts, he continued giving highly accurate instructions for supporting fire. The artillery barrage battered up the enemy machine gun fire, and the infantry, inspired by First Lieutenant VOIGHT'S sustaining courage, pushed forward to take the bunkers with a minimum of casualties. First Lieutenant VOIGHT'S gallant leadership and signal bravery reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

II. WARD, ROBERT GUY, CP 419 32 418, 11714: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 635-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XA Corps, File AC 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following:

ROBERT M. OLDM, 3439403, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, Third Battalion, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Balizieres-Bos-actz, France. Under terrible artillery shelling, Private First Class OLDM advanced with Company I, 888th Infantry Regiment in the attack on Chauveau Brian. Casualties were heavy. In order to administer first aid to the fallen and to assist in their evacuation Private First Class OLDM braved murderous enemy fire and went to the vanguard of the assault where he performed his duty in a clearly superior manner, while giving first aid to a wounded soldier. Private First Class OLDM was himself mortally wounded by hostile fire. Private First Class OLDM'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 Alabama.

ROBERT E. LEE, 16098129, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, 888th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Masdorf, Germany. From 10 October 1944, when his unit entered combat, until he was killed in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, the service of Sergeant LEE was distinguished by high prowess and extraordinary devotion to duty. He accompanied the leading elements of the Third Battalion, 888th Infantry Regiment, as they crossed the Saar River and attacked German positions at Masdorf, and performed in a courageous and skillful manner his duty as Fire Section Chief, maintaining communications between the assaulting companies and the battalion command post,

Sergeant LEE'S gallant conduct reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILVEN L. RASH, 16253219, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 88th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Cavallone, France. In fierce action near Cavallone Private First Class RASH volunteered to assist in the evacuation of casualties from a heavily wooded draw on the slope of the town. On the way to perform his voluntary duty he was caught in a hail of enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Private First Class RASH sought cover in a nearby trace but when he reached the doorway he was struck and killed. The faith and self-sacrificing devotion to duty given by Private First Class RASH reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDALS: In direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-25, as amended, and Ltr. HQ, XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

CHARLES V. RILEY, 34451462, Staff Sergeant, I.F. Company A, 88th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 and 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fankelara, Germany. Staff Sergeant RILEY participated in numerous combat patrols on the nights of 15 and 16 December 1944 in order to repair the communication line between his forward position and the company observation post. The wire was severed six times during this period, and each time Staff Sergeant RILEY unhesitatingly volunteered to go out into the terrific artillery fire and make the vital repairs. His successful completion of these dangerous missions resulted in the maintenance of communications essential to the functioning of his Company. Staff Sergeant RILEY'S fearless devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

HARVEY S. MC WILLIAMS, 37243187, Staff Sergeant, I.F. Company A, 88th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. From 15 November 1944 to 16 November 1944, in the advance on Metz, Staff Sergeant MC WILLIAMS repeatedly exposed himself to enemy artillery and small arms fire in order to most efficiently maintain radio contact with adjacent units and with higher echelons. His resolute devotion to duty during this momentous period contributed greatly to the combat efficiency of his Battalion and reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Colorado.

ROBERT A. MC MANUS, 31364600, Private, INF, Company G, 88th Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On the night of 9 November 1944, Private MC MANUS' squad advanced on strongly defended German positions at Forcan Farm and detonated an enemy mine field. Severe casualties were sustained and Private MC MANUS risked his life to remain under withering machine gun fire, administering first aid to his wounded comrades. Private MC MANUS' valiant deed enabled many lives to be saved. His gallant conduct re-

fleets great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

CLAUDE E. SCHEE, 3742374, Private, I.R., Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hirschbach, France. After his company of the 100th Cavalry Brigade was pinned down by the enemy, he volunteered to lead a patrol of 12 men to attack the enemy position. He led his patrol to the enemy position and, by his leadership and devotion to duty, by his courage and heroism, and by his gallant and valorous actions, he supported the successful efforts of our forces to break through the enemy line. His actions were instrumental in repelling the enemy attack, and he is highly commended for his gallant and valorous actions and is highly commended for the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

CLAUDE W. WILCOFF, 4694375, Sergeant, I.R., Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hirschbach, France. Sergeant Wilcoff, with Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, was pinned down in an exposed position by the enemy. In this situation, the Sergeant of Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, in the repulsion of the German counter-attack. He was ordered to lead a patrol out to locate the enemy position with gun crews. He was the first to lead a patrol advanced in the face of heavy enemy fire, located the German gun and in fierce action forced its withdrawal. Sergeant Wilcoff's aggressive leadership and valorous actions reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CLYDE R. HOGAN, 3664376, Private First Class, I.R., Company D, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Hirschbach, Germany. Private First Class Hogan, an experienced leader, in company with another soldier, voluntarily volunteered to lead a patrol across the river in spite of the enemy's machine gun fire. He led his patrol to the enemy position and, by his leadership and devotion to duty, by his courage and heroism, and by his gallant and valorous actions, he supported the successful efforts of our forces to break through the enemy line. His actions were instrumental in repelling the enemy attack, and he is highly commended for his gallant and valorous actions and is highly commended for the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CLAUDE L. GILLES, 3641377, Sergeant, I.R., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Infantry Division, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Hirschbach, Germany. Sergeant Gilles, after his wire chief was mortally wounded in the assault against a strongly defended enemy position, took over the direction of the wire team. Although wounded himself and in need of first aid, Sergeant Gilles disregarded his wounds and pressed the wire laying with such energy that vitally essential communications were kept open between

the attacking companies and the command post of the Third Battalion. His heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on Sergeant MILLER and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JACK I. WALK, 50452043, Private First Class, INF, Company B, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Private First Class WALK, in company with another soldier, voluntarily undertook a hazardous mission of the rear area in spite of vicious enemy mortar and artillery fire to deliver supplies to the front lines along the east bank of the river. He was wounded in the process of carrying supplies and was severely injured. The heroic efforts of Private First Class WALK and his comrades, the women soldiers were subsequently awarded a Battalion Citation. The voluntary action of Private First Class WALK reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JULIAN E. YORK, 3447188, Private First Class, INF, Company B, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 22 December 1944, in France and in Germany. During the offensive operations from Fort Villages, France on 15 November 1944 to Esdorf, Germany, on 15 December 1944 Private First Class YORK laid and repaired all telephone lines used by Company B, *** Infantry Regiment, for communication from Company Commander to platoon leaders. Private First Class YORK performed his important duty at all times of day and night, under enemy artillery and small arms fire. The courage and initiative shown by Private First Class YORK reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

RAMON E. RYLAND JR., 01904789, First Lieutenant, INF, Company B, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Seine Marie, France. On 14 November 1944, First Lieutenant RYLAND demonstrated outstanding courage and exceptional leadership by leading his rifle platoon over open ground, in the face of heavy mortar and machine gun fire, to fortified enemy positions near Fort Seine Marie. He moved from one flank to the other in front of his advancing platoon, ordering his men to keep moving as they closed in behind fortified positions, and his fearless gallantry in action encouraged his men to follow him to close with the enemy ruthlessly. First Lieutenant RYLAND'S conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

WILLIAM W. RYLAND, 58571682, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, *** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 11 November 1944 and 12 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ancy, France. On 11 November 1944 and 12 November 1944 Private First Class RYLAND exhibited a high order of personal courage and devotion to duty under extremely heavy enemy fire. Serving as an infantryman attached to a rifle platoon, Private First Class RYLAND deliberately exposed himself to enemy small arms and mortar fire to administer medical treatment to, and supervise the evacuation of, light members of his platoon who were wounded. His heroic action on this occasion reflects great credit on Private First Class RYLAND and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the medical department. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT C. GRIFFIN, 3527122, Priv to First Class, MD, Company 1, **** Medical Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Priv to First Class Grade voluntarily participated in the evacuation of wounded under fierce hostile fire on 25 November 1944, near Metz. His principal duty was Liaison agent but working tirelessly he successfully performed his duties until wounded by shrapnel and evacuated. Priv to First Class Grade's courageous initiative and bold devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ANDREW S. GIBSON, 3603213, First Lieutenant, LMC, Medical Detachment, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 14 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM W. GIBB, 3139697, Lieutenant Colonel, Inf. Headquarters, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Warlancourt, Germany. Entered military service from Vermont.

BERNARD L. GIBB, 3449710, Captain, MC, Medical Detachment, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 15 November 1944 to 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT L. GIBB, 15327717, Corporal, Pa, Battery E, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM L. THOMAS, 3320716, Major, Pa, Headquarters, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Alabama.

CHARLES J. GIBB, 3657632, Technician Fourth Grade, Pa, Battery E, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 November 1944 to 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

IV. Air Medal By direction of the President, and under the provisions of 48 USC-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File 23 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following:

LEONARD GENTLE, 3261128, Technician Fifth Grade, Pa, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 9 November 1944 to 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from New York.

RICHARD W. GILL, 3533567, Private, Pa, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

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 V. REMARKS: In much of Section I, General Orders, Number 2, this headquarters, dated 4 January 1945, is recd., "William M. McCulloch, 37208940, Sergeant, Inf, Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Echamps, France. On the night of 8 November 1944 Sergeant McCulloch was in charge of an assault boat transporting soldiers of Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, across the Moselle River to the 'Lorraine bridgehead.'" is changed to read: "William M. McCulloch, 37208940, Sergeant, Inf, Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 November 1944, in the vicinity of Echamps, France. On the night of 8 November 1944 Sergeant McCulloch was in charge of an assault boat transporting soldiers of Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, across the L. Sells River to the 'Lorraine bridgehead.'" OK

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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 the following:

HAROLD B. WEAVER, 0541694, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 27 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. The service of Second Lieutenant WEAVER was many times distinguished by outstanding acts of gallantry in combat. When Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, was advancing on Ottonville-Ricrange, on 27 November 1944, intense fire from enemy artillery and mortars located on high ground inflicted heavy casualties and the Company verged on disorganization. To forestall this menace Second Lieutenant WEAVER exposed himself to the enemy fire and, invigorating his men with his own intrepid conduct, resumed the advance. On 15 December 1944, in Saarlautern, Second Lieutenant WEAVER was killed in action. The gallant leadership and high fortitude characteristic of Second Lieutenant WEAVER'S service reflect lasting honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ROBERT E. KOLLATH, 16123554, Private, GE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. On 5 December 1944 Private KOLLATH and another engineer soldier volunteered to reduce a pillbox which was holding up the advance of Company K, ****Infantry Regiment near Ensdorf. Heavily laden with explosives Private KOLLATH and his comrade crawled under intense machine gun fire toward the pillbox. As he reached the barb wire fence surrounding the enemy position, Private KOLLATH was killed by machine gun fire. Private KOLLATH'S fearless devotion to duty inspired his comrades who pressed on to close with the enemy and seize the objective. His heroic conduct reflects lasting honor upon Private KOLLATH and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR, MISSING IN ACTION: 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:

GEORGE GIBSON, 33165308, Corporal, GE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. In attempting to place demolitions in the entrance to a pillbox near Ensdorf, an engineer soldier was hit by German machine gun fire and fell to the ground, exposed to further intense enemy fire. With no regard for his own safety, Corporal GIBSON rushed to the aid of his wounded comrade. In

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the ensuing action Corporal GIBSON did not regain contact with his unit. His valiant conduct reflects great honor upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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

ALVIN T. TYNER, 37448184, Technical Sergeant, (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. On 18 November 1944, in crossing the Moselle under fierce enemy fire Technical Sergeant TYNER'S Platoon Leader and Platoon Sergeant became casualties. On the east bank Technical Sergeant TYNER took command of the Platoon. After reorganizing his squads, he led them vigorously in the destruction of all German resistance in the immediate area. He then collected men from other organizations in the sector and against determined opposition forcibly established a bridgehead which opened the way on Metz for the battalion main body. In this action, in addition to the casualties inflicted, fifty prisoners were taken. The staunch leadership and aggressive combat skill displayed by Technical Sergeant TYNER reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

ALLEN E. HENSALA, 37453917, Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsberg, Germany. A group of riflemen were on the bridge which spanned a tank trap enclosing the company objective when explosives were detonated by the enemy to destroy the bridge. Realizing the predicament of the soldiers caught by the explosion, Sergeant HENSALA, accompanied by two comrades, crawled through intense mortar and machine gun fire and moved within twenty yards of an enemy position to the site of the explosion. Under Sergeant HENSALA'S leadership seven casualties were evacuated from the debris to shelter where first aid was administered. Sergeant HENSALA'S gallant and selfless deed reflects great credit upon him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wyoming.

JAMES R. RILEY, 35440525, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, sustained heavy casualties in the attack on Fort Belle Croix Staff Sergeant RILEY perceived that his Mortar Section would be more useful in assaulting enemy strongpoints than in delivering mortar fire in support of the advancing, but depleted rifle elements. With striking initiative Staff Sergeant RILEY reorganized his section in an assault team and led repeated attacks on the enemy. Under Staff Sergeant RILEY'S bold leadership the mortar section-assault team destroyed many of the enemy at close quarters and participated in the capture of two hundred and thirty five German prisoners. Staff Sergeant RILEY'S staunch expedient in a decisive phase of combat and his outstanding gallantry reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

LAWRENCE T. HURDICK, 0909615, Captain, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jérome Dunes, France. On 14 November 1944, in the attack on fortified positions near Fort Jérome Dunes, Captain HURDICK distinguished himself by his gallant performance of duty under intense mortar and small arms fire. Captain HURDICK's Company, along with other elements of the Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, was separated from the main body when the final protective fire from the German emplacements was met. Still determined to press the assault to the enemy Captain HURDICK led his men forward in the face of heavy German fire until he was wounded, when then Captain HURDICK remained in command of his Company and succeeded to direct the attack until he was evacuated from the battlefield. Captain HURDICK's resolute direction of duty and superb leadership in the offensive reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ALFRED S. ARBJO, 0102397, First Lieutenant, INF, (Ammered), Company B, ***Panz Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlouis, Germany. On 9 December 1944 First Lieutenant ARBJO volunteered to lead his Tank Platoon against camouflaged pillboxes whose fierce flaming fire was obstructing the advance of infantry elements near the railroad depot at Saarlouis. To forestall enemy sniping from bazookas and high velocity weapons First Lieutenant ARBJO boldly walked ahead of his tanks. In the subsequent action he brought his tanks into the German positions where their accurate fire destroyed all enemy resistance and enabled the infantry troops to resume their advance. The staunch leadership given by First Lieutenant ARBJO reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Idaho Island.

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

IRVING J. CRISTAL, 3609045, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Non Foviller, Germany. To evacuate four critically wounded casualties Staff Sergeant CRISTAL drove an ambulance jeep three miles from his Battalion Aid Station to a wooded area near Non Foviller where German snipers were still falling. Staff Sergeant CRISTAL accomplished the evacuation of the four wounded men alone. His heroic deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Illinois.

LAWRENCE E. ARMITT, 3650948, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 28 November 1944, in the vicinity of Herbec, France. On 28 November 1944 Technician Fourth Grade ARMITT risked his life to evacuate five seriously wounded soldiers under heavy rifle and machine gun fire after an enemy force had infiltrated between his Battalion Aid Station and the main body of the Battalion. The road Technician Fourth Grade ARMITT took was covered by German fire and was not travelled at the time by other friendly vehicles. Technician Fourth Grade ARMITT's valiant act reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

GEORGE F. CULIENSKI, 35508361, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Staff Sergeant CULIENSKI was leading a moving party across open ground toward Esdorf when one of his men was wounded by hostile fire. Staff Sergeant CULIENSKI ordered the party to proceed to Esdorf while he remained to administer first aid to the casualty under intense artillery and mortar fire. Later, Staff Sergeant CULIENSKI proceeded to Esdorf, and led a litter team back to the wounded man. His heroic conduct reflects distinct credit upon him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM J. FISCHER, 36247372, Private, CE, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. On 7 December 1944 Private FISCHER and another engineer soldier advanced under heavy machine gun and small arms fire to a German pillbox three hundred yards beyond friendly positions. At the entrance Private FISCHER and his companion grenaded the guard, placed their charge against the door and detonated it. The demolition destroyed the door and elicited the surrender of sixteen German soldiers in the pillbox. Private FISCHER'S courageous and aggressive devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

PAUL SMILTON, 34374917, Private First Class, CE, Company E, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. On 7 December 1944 Private First Class SMILTON and another engineer soldier advanced under heavy machine gun and small arms fire to a German pillbox three hundred yards beyond friendly positions. At the entrance Private First Class SMILTON and his companion grenaded the guard, placed their charge against the door and detonated it. The demolition destroyed the door and elicited the surrender of sixteen German soldiers in the pillbox. Private First Class SMILTON'S courageous and aggressive devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

WILLIAM J. GRACZYK JR., 36653777, Private, CE, Company E, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. On 6 December 1944, after two assaults had been repulsed by severe flanking fire, Private GRACZYK and another engineer soldier advanced, supported by rifle fire, on a German pillbox near Esdorf. From twenty-five yards out the two engineer soldiers advanced alone and grenaded the entrance. Their bold assault elicited the surrender of six German soldiers in the pillbox. Private GRACZYK'S courageous and aggressive devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

RICHARD L. HUEBICH, 16093625, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. On 6 December 1944, after two assaults had been repulsed by severe flanking fire, Technician Fifth Grade HUEBICH and another engineer soldier advanced, supported by rifle fire on a German pillbox near Esdorf. From twenty-five yards out the two engineer soldiers advanced alone and grenaded the entrance. Their bold assault elicited the surrender of six German soldiers in the pillbox. Technician Fifth

Grade BERICH's courageous and aggressive devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ARTHUR H. SCHLEICHER, 37286389, Staff Sergeant, CE, Company B, *** Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. On 7 and 8 December 1944 Staff Sergeant SCHLEICHER planned and executed the reduction of a pillbox near Ensdorf after previous assaults on the position, which was supported by murderous fire from flanking pillboxes, had proved disastrous. Over a circuitous route which he had personally reconnoitered Staff Sergeant SCHLEICHER led a small demolition party to within twenty-five yards of the pillbox. He then employed smoke grenades to cover his party's advance to an embrasure in the pillbox, drawing heavy machine gun fire on himself. Staff Sergeant SCHLEICHER's men placed their charge in the embrasure. The subsequent explosion killed one German and encouraged the surrender of one German officer and nine German enlisted men. The reduction of the pillbox permitted the infantry to advance and take its objective. Staff Sergeant SCHLEICHER'S resourceful and staunch leadership reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

WARREN G. WILLS, 1613535, Corporal, CE, Company B, *** Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. On 8 December 1944 Corporal WILLS accompanied his platoon sergeant in the reduction of a German pillbox which was protected by fire from pillboxes on either flank. Covered by smoke grenades thrown by his platoon sergeant, Corporal WILLS placed a charge in an embrasure of the pillbox. The resultant explosion caused the death of one German soldier and the surrender of ten. The reduction of the hitherto impregnable position enabled the infantry to resume its advance. Corporal WILLS' courageous action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

LESTER MATZ, 12185475, Private, CE, Company B, *** Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. On 8 December 1944 Private MATZ participated with four other engineer soldiers in the reduction of a German pillbox whose fierce machine gun and cannon fire had delayed the infantry advance on Ensdorf. Private MATZ and his comrades silenced turret guns with a flame thrower and destroyed the pillbox door with demolitions. Five German soldiers surrendered and friendly infantry was able to occupy the position. Private MATZ' courageous and aggressive conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

JACK WELLS, 37209667, Private, CE, Company F, *** Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. On 8 December 1944 Private WELLS participated with four other engineer soldiers in the reduction of a German pillbox whose fierce machine gun and cannon fire had delayed the infantry advance on Ensdorf. Private WELLS and his comrades silenced turret guns with a flame thrower and destroyed the pillbox door with demolitions. Five German soldiers surrendered and friendly infantry was able to occupy the position. Private WELLS' courageous and aggressive conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping

with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROBERT D. MAHER, 32859897, Private, CM, Company E, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Munsdorf, Germany. On 8 December 1944 Private MAHER participated with four other engineer soldiers in the capture of a German pillbox whose machine gun and mortar fire had delayed the infantry advance on Munsdorf. Private MAHER and his comrades captured the pillbox with a flamethrower and destroyed the pillbox door with hand grenades. Three German soldiers surrendered and Private MAHER was able to destroy the pillbox. Private MAHER's courageous and aggressive conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

ALFRED H. JONES, 01018742, First Lieutenant, INF, (Armored), Company D, ***Tank Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on Metz First Lieutenant JONES, in the face of a determined enemy in well-prepared positions, and on terrain very unfavorable for tank operations, directed his platoon to cause the destruction of two anti-tank guns, four enemy vehicles and the capture of more than two hundred prisoners. First Lieutenant JONES' skilful employment of tanks under heavy enemy fire and his resolute devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

HARRY R. PERRY, 35583227, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, (Armored), Company B, ***Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. In the attack on St. Barbara Technician Fourth Grade PERRY demonstrated intrepid resourcefulness in evacuating from enemy-held territory, under heavy enemy fire, a tank immobilized by enemy action. Technician Fourth Grade PERRY'S cool, courageous deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

IVAN R. WINNEBENNER, 39613229, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, (Armored), Company B, ***Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. In the attack on St. Barbara Technician Fourth Grade WINNEBENNER demonstrated intrepid resourcefulness in evacuating from enemy-held territory, under heavy enemy fire, a tank immobilized by enemy action. Technician Fourth Grade WINNEBENNER'S cool, courageous deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Montana.

GILBERT M. REILLY, 37256143, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

EUGENE MC CLUNG, 35822458, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ROBERT J. HAMBILL, 6938229, Master Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Sinsfeldern, Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

EROLD L. MYERS, 33176907, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Anzeville, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

PAUL L. ESCHLICK, 33163722, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Anzeville, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

HAROLD A. GINA, 36249139, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Anzeville, France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

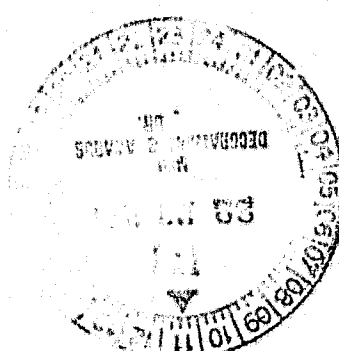
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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600.45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

ROBERT C. GAMBLE, 42013126, Private, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ittersdorf, Germany. The service of Private GAMBLE was consistently distinguished by intrepid devotion to duty in the most hazardous phases of battle. On 27 November 1944 he advanced with his platoon sergeant under fierce enemy fire to a point fifty yards from a machine gun whose deadly fire delayed the attack on Ittersdorf. Accurate fire from private GAMBLE's automatic rifle silenced the enemy machine gun, but he was mortally wounded in the engagement and died during evacuation. The resolute devotion to duty and extreme personal courage displayed by Private GAMBLE reflect lasting honor on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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:

MARCIE J. ZWISZOWSKI, 01323767, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Montrequiennes, France. When his platoon was pinned down by murderous fire from an enemy machine gun nest on the outskirts of Montrequiennes, Second Lieutenant ZWISZOWSKI worked his way forward alone to a position from which he grenades the German nest and seized the machine gun. This gallant act was typical of Second Lieutenant ZWISZOWSKI'S conduct throughout the advance on Metz. His aggressive leadership, resolute devotion to duty, and extreme courage under fire reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

GEORGE H. BEMUS, 33695375, Private, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsberg, Germany. A group of riflemen were on the bridge which spanned a tank trap enclosing the company objective when explosives were detonated by the enemy to destroy the bridge. Realizing the predicament of the soldiers caught by the explosion, Private BEMUS, accompanied by two comrades, crawled through intense mortar and machine gun fire and moved within twenty yards

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of enemy positions to the site of the explosion, with no regard for his personal safety, Private RAMUS helped evacuate seven casualties from the debris to shelter where first aid was administered. Private RAMUS' gallant and selfless deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

DONALD G. MACMILLAN, 39960997, Private, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfulsberg, Germany. A group of riflemen were on the bridge which spanned a tank trap enclosing the company objective when explosives were detonated by the enemy to destroy the bridge. Realizing the predicament of the soldiers caught by the explosion, Private MacMillan, accompanied by two comrades, crawled through intense mortar and machine gun fire and moved within twenty yards of enemy positions to the site of the explosion. With no regard for his personal safety, Private MacMillan helped evacuate seven casualties from the debris to shelter where first aid was administered. Private MacMillan's gallant and selfless deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

MITCHELL F. OLSTA, 11105601, Staff Sergeant, CB, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When for forty-two hours a German pillbox near Ensdorf had blocked all attempts to bring the second assault wave across the Saar River, Staff Sergeant OLSTA and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt its reduction. Laden with explosives they crawled one hundred and fifty yards under a deadly hail of artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to a shallow trench surrounding the pillbox. Then they placed their charge on the door and detonated it. The explosion destroyed the entrance and thirteen German soldiers in the pillbox surrendered. Staff Sergeant OLSTA's intrepid deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

JOHN S. TIEDERMAN, 37287819, Sergeant, CB, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. When for forty-three hours a German pillbox near Ensdorf had blocked all attempts to bring the second assault wave across the Saar River, Sergeant TIEDERMAN and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt its reduction. Laden with explosives they crawled one hundred and fifty yards under a deadly hail of artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to a shallow trench surrounding the pillbox. Then they placed their charge on the door and detonated it. The explosion destroyed the entrance and thirteen German soldiers in the pillbox surrendered. Sergeant TIEDERMAN'S intrepid deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

DOMENIC A. JAYNE, 39463121, Sergeant, CB, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. On 6 December 1944 fierce German machine gun fire pinned down twenty-eight soldiers, sixteen of whom were wounded, inside a pillbox near Ensdorf. When Private JAYNE noticed two wounded men lying in an exposed position one hundred yards from the pillbox he went to their aid and, without heed for his own safety, brought them to the cover of the beleaguered pillbox. During the day Private JAYNE organized his small garrison, established security posts and enthusiastically returned the enemy's fire. Then, after darkness, he super-

Technician Fifth Grade FUSZARD's heroic devotion to duty inspired his comrades and they seized the objective the next day. His valiant conduct reflects great honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LEO J. ROMAN, 31208961, Private First Class, Co, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ansorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Private First Class ROMAN and two other engineer soldiers were ordered to demolish the rear door of a German pillbox near Ansorf, which was protected by fire from pillboxes on either flank. To reach the pillbox it was necessary to cross an open space of fifteen yards which was swept by machine gun fire. Private First Class ROMAN attempted to crawl across the open space but the intense fire drove him back. Finally, with no regard for his own safety, but determined to accomplish his mission he tried to dash past the fire. Halfway across the open area he was hit and fell to the ground where he was exposed to further hostile fire. Private First Class ROMAN's heroic devotion to duty inspired his comrades and they seized the objective the next day. His valiant conduct reflects great honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROBERT M. RUSSELL, 36927959, Private, Co, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ansorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Private RUSSELL and two other engineer soldiers were ordered to demolish the rear door of a German pillbox near Ansorf, which was protected by fire from pillboxes on either flank. To reach the pillbox it was necessary to cross an open space of fifteen yards which was swept by machine gun fire and proceed through a frame building. Private RUSSELL attempted to crawl across the open space but the intense fire drove him back. Finally, with no regard for his own safety, but determined to accomplish his mission, Private RUSSELL attempted to dash past the fire to the pillbox. As he reached the door of the frame building he was hit by a machine gun bullet. He crawled under the building, which was immediately registered on by German 20 millimeter guns. Private RUSSELL's heroic devotion to duty inspired his comrades and they seized the objective the next day. His valiant conduct reflects great honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

V. FRANZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. HQ, AA Corps, File # 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Franze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JACK D. O'DELL, 37210310, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his Platoon Leader was wounded in fighting near Woippy Technical Sergeant O'DELL took command of a platoon considerably reduced in numbers. His staunch grasp of the situation inspired action in a series of successful operations which culminated inside the city of Metz. Technical Sergeant O'DELL's courageous, aggressive leadership in hard fighting reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

vised the evacuation of the wounded and with the balance of his men held the pillbox until reinforcements arrived. Private JAMES' unselfish heroism in rescuing his wounded comrades and the quick grasp of leadership which he displayed in the stress of battle reflect great credit upon him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

LEONARD P. MC ALLISTER, 3946351, Corporal, CE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On 5 December 1944 Corporal MC ALLISTER and another engineer soldier volunteered to reduce a pillbox which was holding up the advance of Company K, ****Infantry Regiment near Emsdorf, heavily laden with explosives. Corporal MC ALLISTER and his comrade crawled under intense machine gun fire toward the pillbox. As they reached the barb wire facing the enemy position Corporal MC ALLISTER'S comrade was killed by machine gun fire. Corporal MC ALLISTER continued to advance. He placed his charge carefully, and detonated it, demolishing the pillbox. Two Germans were killed, nine surrendered and as a direct result of Corporal MC ALLISTER'S fearless action Company K was able to resume its advance. The courage, coolness and extreme devotion to duty demonstrated by Corporal MC ALLISTER reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD POSTHUMOUSLY 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:

GEORGE W. TAYLOR, 3635573, Private, CE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On 8 December 1944 Private TAYLOR participated with four other engineer soldiers in the reduction of a German pillbox whose fierce machine gun and cannon fire had delayed the infantry advance on Emsdorf. Private TAYLOR and his comrades silenced the turret guns with a flame thrower and destroyed the pillbox door with demolitions. Five German soldiers surrendered and friendly infantry was able to occupy the position. The fearless conduct of Private TAYLOR, who was killed in action on 11 December 1944, reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL, KILLS IN ACTION: 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:

AUSTIN R. FUSZARD, 3681203, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade FUSZARD and two other engineer soldiers were ordered to demolish the rear door of a German pillbox near Emsdorf, which was protected by fire from pillboxes on either flank. To reach the pillbox it was necessary to cross an open space of fifteen yards which was swept by machine gun fire and proceed through a frame building. Technician Fifth Grade FUSZARD attempted to crawl across the open space, but intense fire drove him back each time. Finally, with no regard for his own safety, but determined to accomplish his mission he rushed across the fire-swept area. At the door of the pillbox he was hit by enemy rifle fire and fell to the ground where he was exposed to further hostile fire.

Technician Fifth Grade FUSZARD'S heroic devotion to duty inspired his comrades and they seized the objective the next day. His valiant conduct reflects great honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LEO J. HOWLAND, 31208961, Private First Class, Co, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Munsdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Private First Class HOWLAND and two other engineer soldiers were ordered to demolish the rear door of a German pillbox near Munsdorf, which was protected by fire from pillboxes on either flank. To reach the pillbox it was necessary to cross an open space of fifteen yards which was swept by machine gun fire. Private First Class HOWLAND attempted to crawl across the open space but the intense fire drove him back. Finally, with no regard for his own safety, but determined to accomplish his mission he tried to dash past the fire. Halfway across the open area he was hit and fell to the ground where he was exposed to further hostile fire. Private First Class HOWLAND'S heroic devotion to duty inspired his comrades and they seized the objective the next day. His valiant conduct reflects great honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ROBERT M. HUSBALL, 35927958, Private, Co, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Munsdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944 Private HUSBALL and two other engineer soldiers were ordered to demolish the rear door of a German pillbox near Munsdorf, which was protected by fire from pillboxes on either flank. To reach the pillbox it was necessary to cross an open space of fifteen yards which was swept by machine gun fire and proceed through a frame building. Private HUSBALL attempted to crawl across the open space but the intense fire drove him back. Finally, with no regard for his own safety, but determined to accomplish his mission, Private HUSBALL attempted to dash past the fire to the pillbox. As he reached the door of the frame building he was hit by a machine gun bullet. He crawled into the building, which was immediately registered on by German 20 millimeter guns. Private HUSBALL'S heroic devotion to duty inspired his comrades and they seized the objective the next day. His valiant conduct reflects great honor on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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

JACK D. O'DALL, 37210310, Technical Sergeant, (then Staff Sergeant), IAF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When his Platoon Leader was wounded in fighting near Wodippy Technical Sergeant O'DALL took command of a platoon considerably reduced in numbers. His staunch grasp of the situation inspired his men in a series of successful operations which culminated inside the city of Metz. Technical Sergeant O'DALL'S courageous, aggressive leadership in hard fighting reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

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GARLAND F. GRAHAM, 37208691, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company C, ****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 Staff Sergeant GRAHAM'S squad was suddenly confronted by the preparation for a potent counter-attack. With bold disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant GRAHAM opened fire on the enemy and drew heavy fire on himself in return while he skillfully deployed his squad. Then he led his men in forcibly repulsing the counter-attack. Staff Sergeant GRAHAM'S skilful and courageous leadership in a critical phase of combat reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

GEORGE H. ABRIEL, 16108335, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 25 and 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottenville et Hicrange, France. During the forty-eight hours of 25 and 26 November 1944 Private First Class ABRIEL performed his voluntary duty as litter squad guide without rest in order to evacuate the wounded from an isolated pillbox under artillery and sniper fire near Boulay. Private First Class ABRIEL'S heroic devotion to duty resulted in the saving of many lives and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

JOSEPH P. LIEBE, 36248323, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. During the early occupation of Insdorf, Staff Sergeant LIEBE replaced his machine gun in a building formerly occupied by the enemy. When the enemy in strong numbers attacked the position Staff Sergeant LIEBE led his men in vigorously repulsing the attack, killing two German soldiers. Later, Staff Sergeant LIEBE'S machine gun position proved of great value in halting a counter-attack. Throughout the occupation of Insdorf Staff Sergeant LIEBE led his section with skill and daring. His gallant conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

LENO L. ZINI, 36184816, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. On the night of 6 December 1944, Staff Sergeant ZINI led a patrol through the enemy infested streets of Insdorf, across an open field interdicted by mortar and machine gun fire, under the guns of two forts and back to the company position, in reconnaissance for precise information concerning the strength and location of enemy forces obstructing the advance of Company I, ****Infantry Regiment. So successful was Staff Sergeant ZINI'S patrol that from the information he brought back the Company Commander was able to plan and execute an attack which won two more blocks of the town and eliminated a pillbox in the chain of forts commanding the Battalion bridgehead. Under Staff Sergeant ZINI'S staunch leadership the patrol completed its hazardous mission without sustaining a single casualty. His intrepid skill reflects great credit on Staff Sergeant ZINI and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

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L. BRANCE M. GARR, 39158717, Sergeant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Masdorf, Germany. During the early occupation of Masdorf, Sergeant GARR replaced his machine gun in a building formerly occupied by the enemy. When the enemy in strong numbers attacked the position Sergeant GARR led his men in vigorously repulsing the attack, killing two German soldiers. Later, Sergeant GARR's machine gun position proved of great value in halting a counter-attack. Throughout the occupation of Masdorf Sergeant GARR led his section with skill and caring. His gallant conduct reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

GEORGE M. COPLA, 16123744, Private, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. In fierce action near Gravelotte Private COPLA volunteered with three other soldiers to assist in the evacuation of casualties from a heavily wooded draw on the edge of the town. One of his comrades was killed, but Private COPLA and two others courageously persevered in removing the wounded from the draw which was still under small arms and mortar fire. Private COPLA's life-saving heroism on this occasion reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

MARSH P. MARSHALL, 30357425, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. In fierce action near Gravelotte Private First Class MARSHALL volunteered with three other soldiers to assist in the evacuation of casualties from a heavily wooded draw on the edge of the town. One of his comrades was killed, but Private First Class MARSHALL and two others courageously persevered in removing the wounded from the draw which was still under small arms and mortar fire. Private First Class MARSHALL's life-saving heroism on this occasion reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ERNEST F. WRIGHT, 14158698, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. In fierce action near Gravelotte Private First Class WRIGHT volunteered with three other soldiers to assist in the evacuation of casualties from a heavily wooded draw on the edge of the town. One of his comrades was killed, but Private First Class WRIGHT and two others courageously persevered in removing the wounded from the draw which was still under small arms and mortar fire. Private First Class WRIGHT'S life-saving heroism on this occasion reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

* ALFRED G. GAZON, 32723918, Private, US, Company B, **** Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisserf, Germany. On 8 December 1944 Private GAZON participated with four other engineer soldiers in the reduction of a German pillbox of machine gun and cannon fire. He delayed the infantry advance in Lisserf. Private GAZON and his comrades silenced the turret guns with a flame thrower and destroyed the pillbox with demolitions. Five German soldiers surrendered and the infantry was able to occupy the position. Private GAZON'S courageous and aggressive conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

* ALFRED B. HOFF, 13018527, Private First Class, US, Company B, **** Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisserf and Marlutern, Germany. From 6 December 1944 to 8 December 1944 Private First Class HOFF assisted in the installation and maintenance under fire of wire communications between Lisserf and Marlutern. One section of line, was severely shelled by the enemy in the night of 8 December 1944 that it became necessary to run an alternate wire. During this operation Private First Class HOFF was wounded by shrapnel in the chest. Private First Class HOFF'S courageous adherence to duty materially aided the successful operation, and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

* MATTHEW S. HYLTON, 31212519, Private First Class, 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 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

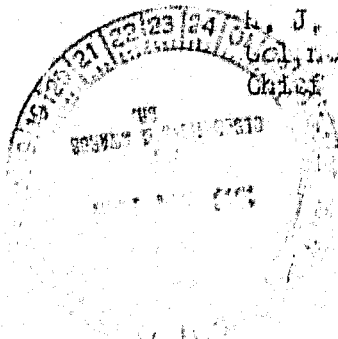
* RONALD W. MURPHY, 20213767, Staff Sergeant, F., Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from New York.

* GEORGE L. MEROFF, 35559117, Corporal, F., Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

* DONALD F. RALPHS, 35559104, Corporal, F., Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Ohio.

* ALBERT W. FLOCKS, 35771004, Corporal, F., Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from West Virginia.

By command of Major General TWADDA:



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SECTION I - AWARD, FORGIVENESS, OF SILVER STAR
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SECTION III - AWARD OF PRIZE STAR MEDAL

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

Citation amended by AG 145 June 13, 1945
*LELAND E. LOGGHEE, 38035022, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Bois la Dame, France. When the area before Fort Bois la Dame became untenable due to terrible fire from the fort, Staff Sergeant LOGGHEE and two other soldiers voluntarily stayed behind to cover their Company's withdrawal. The rapid and accurate fire delivered by Staff Sergeant LOGGHEE and his comrades sealed the embrasures of the fort, enabling the Company to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. In this heroic action Staff Sergeant LOGGHEE was killed. His valiant conduct in the face of great odds reflects lasting honor upon him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

WALTER C. KATS, 37450807, Private First Class, INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Bois la Dame, France. When the area before Fort Bois la Dame became untenable due to terrible fire from the fort, Private First Class KATS and two other soldiers voluntarily stayed behind to cover their Company's withdrawal. The rapid and accurate fire delivered by Private First Class KATS and his comrades sealed the embrasures of the fort, enabling the Company to withdraw with a minimum of casualties. In this heroic action Private First Class KATS was killed. His valiant conduct in the face of great odds reflects lasting honor upon him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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

JACOB E. WISELBERG, 01293774, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Vassy, France. On the afternoon of 17 November 1944, a group of German soldiers were seen replacing heavy weapons five hundred yards south of a column of Task Force ***, which was advancing on Metz. First Lieutenant WISELBERG, accompanied by two enlisted men drove boldly down on the enemy force in a one-quarter ton vehicle. Their unheralded approach stunned the German party and when First Lieutenant WISELBERG ordered them to surrender eighteen German soldiers obeyed. First Lieutenant WISELBERG'S fearless action reflects great credit on him and is in

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keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

CLIFFORD J. SOUTHER, 0322012, Second Lieutenant, INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Pruslantern, Germany. At Pruslantern, on 15 December 1944, Second Lieutenant SOUTHER found himself alone in front of a house which was his Platoon's objective. His men were pinned down across the street by severe enemy fire. Crossing the assault by himself Second Lieutenant SOUTHER invaded the basement of the house and captured six German soldiers, one of whom informed him that the basement of the house next door contained ten German soldiers and two machine guns. Under heavy fire Second Lieutenant SOUTHER proceeded next door where he elicited the surrender of the soldiers and the guns. Second Lieutenant SOUTHER'S gallantry reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT C. CRUSORR, 35362394, Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company A, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When the advance of friendly forces in St. Barbara was delayed by enemy machine gun fire, Sergeant CRUSORR left cover and exposed himself to intense small arms and artillery fire in order to take up a position on the porch of an adjoining house. Then, with his automatic rifle Sergeant CRUSORR killed nine German soldiers and destroyed two machine guns and a command car. Throughout the action at St. Barbara Sergeant CRUSORR'S fearless conduct served as an inspiration to his comrades, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

ROBERT T. FURLEY, 37742702, Private, INF, Company L, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Duren, Germany. When machine gun fire from a house on the outskirts of Duren inflicted casualties among his Company and menaced its advance, Private FURLEY worked his way alone toward the enemy nest. A German sniper shot him in the leg but Private FURLEY disregarded his wound and moved within grenade range of the house. There he skillfully and boldly employed hand grenades to cancel the German position. Private FURLEY'S Company resumed its advance over a route opened by Private FURLEY'S intrepid action and in hard fighting eliminated all enemy resistance in Duren. Then Private FURLEY accepted medical aid and evacuation. The battle prowess and devotion to duty displayed by Private FURLEY reflect great credit on him and comply with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

GLENN G. JACOBS, 36352125, Sergeant, INF, Company B, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. While his comrades occupied the basement of a building in St. Barbara encircled by enemy troops and enemy armor which fired at point blank range, Sergeant JACOBS posted himself with his radio in the open doorway of the building and communicated to Battalion headquarters information of the critical situation. Sergeant JACOBS' intrepid devotion to duty at this time contributed materially to the survival of his Battalion and to the eventual success of the operation. Later, when routed enemy forces retreated from the town Sergeant JACOBS delivered accurate fire on them from a window, killing six. Sergeant JACOBS' outstanding gallantry in action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered mili-

tary service from Illinois.

ANDREW SKRALL, 36061933, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Imeldange, France. In the spearhead of the attack on Imeldange Staff Sergeant SKRALL boldly marched down the middle of the street and fired his light machine gun from the hip, inflicting severe casualties on the enemy. When heavy waves of mortar and small arms fire inundated his Company, Staff Sergeant SKRALL voluntarily led a patrol to find and destroy the enemy weapons. With exceptional courage and aggressiveness he located the German weapons and in fierce fighting led his patrol in destroying them. Staff Sergeant SKRALL'S resolute devotion to duty and distinct combat skill reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of 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 Ltr. Hq. AA Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

RICHARD W. SPATZ, 36572405, Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Imeldange, France. When his Company was isolated in Imeldange for two days by enemy action Sergeant SPATZ participated courageously and aggressively in repulsing continual German counter-attacks. On one occasion he crawled under raking enemy fire to reconnoiter the terrain for a forward displacement of his machine gun squad to a position which permitted devastating fire to be delivered on the enemy. Sergeant SPATZ' exemplary devotion to duty during this hazardous time reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT P. WHITE, 36362502, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizières-les-Metz, France. In the attack south of Maizières-les-Metz a platoon of Company I, ****Infantry Regiment was ordered to cover a demolition party which was to destroy the bridge across the canal at Amelange Farm. When Staff Sergeant WHITE learned that the rifle platoon had not moved to the bridge he led a small patrol across six hundred yards of ground swept by German artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to find the platoon and guide it to where it could cover the destruction of the bridge. Staff Sergeant WHITE'S timely initiative resulted in the denial of the bridge to enemy movement. His intrepid action reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

HENRY P. ETZMILLER, 36249585, Technician Third Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Foves, France. After aiding in the treatment of one hundred and seventeen casualties during the day Technician Third Grade ETZMILLER, on the night of 15 November 1944, voluntarily drove under heavy fire to evacuate casualties whose jeep had detonated an enemy mine on the road to Foves. The blast had thrown one of the injured men thirty feet off the road into a field on which mortar shells were falling. With no regard for his own safety, Technician Third Grade ETZMILLER proceeded into the

field, treated the casualty and then evacuated him. Technician Third Grade ETZMILLER'S heroic deed reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

ROBERT L. CARLSON, 3672436, Corporal, (Then Private), INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Marsdorf, Germany. During a four hour artillery bombardment Corporal CARLSON voluntarily led a carrying party to a supply depot on the Saar River and returned with sorely-needed ammunition and rations for his embattled comrades. The staunch leadership given on this occasion by Corporal CARLSON reflects great credit on him and his resolute conduct under fire is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WILLIAM H. MILLER, 3333375, Technician Fourth Grade, CB, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf and Saarlautern, Germany. From 6 December 1944 to 18 December 1944 Technician Fourth Grade MILLER, with one assistant, installed and maintained under fire the vital wire communications between Lisdorf and Saarlautern. One section of line was so heavily shelled by the enemy on the night of 8 December 1944 that it became necessary to run an alternate wire. During this precarious operation Technician Fourth Grade MILLER was slightly wounded and his assistant was wounded and evacuated. To insure uninterrupted communications Technician Fourth Grade MILLER finished laying the alternate line alone and spent the rest of the night checking and repairing the two lines. Technician Fourth Grade MILLER'S courageous and undeviating adherence to duty materially aided the Saar River-crossing operation, and reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM H. PALMER, 17145409, Private First Class, CB, Company B, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bous, Germany. On the night of 14 December 1944 Private First Class PALMER made possible the capture of a pillbox near Bous by rushing through the outer defense and placing a charge inside. As a result of Private First Class PALMER'S bold act fifteen German soldiers and three machine guns were captured. Private First Class PALMER'S courageous and vigorous performance of duty under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wyoming.

WARREN A. BARR, 42047696, Private, CB, Company E, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Bous, Germany. On the night of 14 December 1944 Private BARR made possible the capture of a pillbox near Bous by rushing through the outer defense and placing a charge inside. As a result of Private BARR'S bold act fifteen German soldiers and three machine guns were captured. Private BARR'S courageous and vigorous performance of duty under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

CARLTON R. HEBBORN, 36509373, Private First Class, CB, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. On the afternoon of 8 December 1944 Private First Class HEBBORN was one of a party of five who boldly succeeded in reducing a pillbox which had obstructed the advance of infantry troops near Insdorf. After killing two enemy soldiers in a house adjacent to the pillbox Private HEBBORN and his four comrades with intrepid skill detonated three charges which blew in the side of the stout German fortification. One of the garrison was killed and nineteen surrendered, and the infantry troops were able to resume the advance. Private HEBBORN'S heroic determination in the face of furious enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

VICTOR E. CASEY, 31452946, Private, CB, Company F, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. On the afternoon of 8 December 1944 Private CASEY was one of a party of five who boldly succeeded in reducing a pillbox which had obstructed the advance of infantry troops near Insdorf. After killing two enemy soldiers in a house adjacent to the pillbox Private CASEY and his four comrades with intrepid skill detonated three charges which blew in the side of the stout German fortification. One of the garrison was killed and nineteen surrendered, and the infantry troops were able to resume the advance. Private CASEY'S heroic determination in the face of furious enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

THOMAS A. MILZENTH, 36000371, Private, CB, Company F, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. On the afternoon of 8 December 1944 Private MILZENTH was one of a party of five who boldly succeeded in reducing a pillbox which had obstructed the advance of infantry troops near Insdorf. After killing two enemy soldiers in a house adjacent to the pillbox Private MILZENTH and his four comrades with intrepid skill detonated three charges which blew in the side of the stout German fortification. One of the garrison was killed and nineteen surrendered, and the infantry troops were able to resume the advance. Private MILZENTH'S heroic determination in the face of furious enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

GARLAND A. SHIFTON, 36529005, Private, CB, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. On the afternoon of 8 December 1944 Private SHIFTON was one of a party of five who boldly succeeded in reducing a pillbox which had obstructed the advance of infantry troops near Insdorf. After killing two enemy soldiers in a house adjacent to the pillbox Private SHIFTON and his four comrades with intrepid skill detonated three charges which blew in the side of the stout German fortification. One of the garrison was killed and nineteen surrendered, and the infantry troops were able to resume the advance. Private SHIFTON'S heroic determination in the face of furious enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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✓ WALDEMAR W. ZELLER, 37094885, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Company A, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. On 16 December 1944 Technician Fifth Grade ZELLER entered a burning M-36 Tank Destroyer to make sure that the crew members had escaped from the flames. At the risk of his life he remained inside the vehicle until he had extinguished the fire, thus saving the Tank Destroyer from utter destruction. Technician Fifth Grade ZELLER'S courageous and daring action reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

✓ MELVIN L. MC CULLOUGH, 35747005, Private First Class, FA, Company B, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Under heavy enemy fire Private First Class MC CULLOUGH made seven successive trips in his half-track, past a German anti-tank gun, in order to evacuate seven wounded soldiers from open terrain near Saarlautern. Private First Class MC CULLOUGH'S valiant conduct reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

✓ MARTIN P. JOYCE, 39389747, Corporal, FA, Company C, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 3 December 1944 to 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. In order to most accurately adjust the fire of this Tank Destroyer's 90 millimeter gun on German pillboxes near Lisdorf Corporal JOYCE stood on the top of his vehicle's turret. The enemy brought heavily artillery fire down upon the advancing Tank Destroyers but Corporal JOYCE remained in his exposed position directing fierce fire on the German fortifications. The bold devotion to duty displayed by Corporal JOYCE reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

✓ WALT O. MCGLEB, 01285251, Captain, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

✓ ROY E. GROCKBE, 01284830, Captain, INF, Headquarters, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 7 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

✓ RICHARD D. COMLEY, 37449689, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

✓ HENRY A. HINTZ, 36246307, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 10 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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RAYMOND E. FONSELL, 34445092, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 15 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Georgia.

By command of Major General Stubbins

H. J. KALIGHTLY
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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 the following:

WHITNEY MILLER, 32085541, Private, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. The service of Private MILLER was consistently distinguished by courageous and undeviating devotion to duty. In the attack on Saarlautern-Roden he carried radio equipment for the Forward Observer party across an open field in order to insure the prompt availability of communications. Private MILLER was wounded by enemy fire before he could reach his destination but he kept moving forward until at the far edge of the field he was again wounded, this time fatally. Private MILLER'S heroism made possible the recovery of the badly needed radio equipment. His valiant conduct reflects lasting honor on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JOHN Q. CALLAGHAN, 36358648, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Neuforweiler, Germany. When his Company was pinned down by fierce artillery and small arms fire in a wooded area near Neuforweiler Technical Sergeant CALLAGHAN picked up a machine gun and moved forward, firing from the hip. Encouraged by Technical Sergeant CALLAGHAN'S bold and determined example the Company followed him out of the woods to a tenable position. Technical Sergeant CALLAGHAN was fatally wounded on 6 December 1944. His extraordinary courage and heroic performance of duty reflect lasting honor on him and exemplify 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 Ltr, Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

PATRICK J. CAIN, 35488345, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. When the left flank of his platoon was pinned down by deadly fire from a pillbox near Emsdorf Staff Sergeant CAIN, with no regard for his own safety, advanced on the pillbox to place hand grenades in the embrasure. Staff Sergeant CAIN'S bold act silenced the pillbox until his platoon had pressed on to its objective, and although he was wounded by enemy fire Staff Sergeant CAIN remained at his self-assigned post, protecting his platoon's advance, until he was

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evacuated. The heroic initiative and resolute devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant GAIN reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ANGELO A. PACIOTTI, 01237105, Captain, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. On the morning of 10 December 1944 an enemy tank supported by infantry troops counter-attacked houses held by Captain PACIOTTI'S Company at Saarlautern-Roden. Lowering to point blank range, the tank fired a high explosive shell into the pillbox occupied by the Company Headquarters. The explosion caused ten casualties and destroyed all communications. With his Company threatened with annihilation Captain PACIOTTI, although severely shaken by the exploding shell, led a two-man bazooka team against the tank. He moved across open terrain first, in order to draw hostile fire on himself and so protect the advance of his bazooka team. When he came within one hundred yards of his target Captain PACIOTTI directed his men to fire. The first round scored a direct hit and the tank withdrew. Captain PACIOTTI led his men after it, routing the supporting enemy infantry and decisively repulsing the counter-attack. The staunch leadership and personal courage displayed by Captain PACIOTTI reflect great credit on him and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

ALFRED P. RICCI, 01301368, First Lieutenant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. On 15 November 1944 the Commanding Officer of Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, was wounded in bitter fighting near Fort Jeanne D'Arc and First Lieutenant RICCI assumed command. He led his men aggressively in the capture of the day's objective, the entrenchment around a strongly-fortified pillbox, but when night fell the enemy counter-attacked in such great numbers that they appeared certain to overwhelm Company G's hard-won position. First Lieutenant RICCI'S men, encouraged by their leader's example, fought back desperately but they were handicapped by a shortage of ammunition. Realizing that only the boldest tactic could extricate his Company, First Lieutenant RICCI picked up a handful of German grenades and an M-1 Rifle and moved out into the face of the furious enemy fire. His men followed without hesitation. Stunned by this daring maneuver and bewildered by the deadly employment of their own grenades, the enemy gave ground. First Lieutenant RICCI pressed the assault relentlessly, inflicting heavy casualties on the shocked hostile forces, and the fierce battle turned into a rout. The staunch and resourceful leadership given by First Lieutenant RICCI, and his intrepid conduct under fire, reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

LAWRENCE F. SCHMELDER, 36251172, Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. In the attack on Fort Jussy Sergeant SCHMELDER marched on the enemy, firing his machine gun from his hip. Under heavy mortar, machine gun and sniper fire Sergeant SCHMELDER advanced on the fort, firing at all targets of opportunity which presented themselves. His aggressive spirit and personal bravery was an inspiration to his comrades and contributed materially to his Company's success in accomplishing the mission. Sergeant SCHMELDER'S heroic conduct reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

III. 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 Silver Star previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ROBERT E. ADAIR, 0367110, Major, (Then Captain), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Werhelm, Germany. On 1 January 1945 the Second Battalion of the ***Infantry Regiment was advancing on Schatthausen, to counter-attack an enemy penetration, when heavy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire was encountered from the town of Werhelm. Major ADAIR, commanding the Battalion, moved across open terrain under intense fire in order to reconnoiter the area. Quickly determining the location and strength of the enemy Major ADAIR skillfully employed his tanks to reduce the resistance except for scattered sniper activity. He then moved into Werhelm under sniper fire to direct his Battalion in severing enemy escape routes. Under Major ADAIR'S vigorous leadership the Battalion pushed on to its objective, killing one hundred and fifty of the enemy, and capturing one hundred and six. The gallant conduct of Major ADAIR in this decisive operation reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

IV. 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:

LONALD R. TYLER, 01235340, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from South Carolina.

V. 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.

MICHAEL S. MICKINZIE, 36305359, Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Anti-Tank Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Sergeant MICKINZIE, with six men and two fifty caliber machine guns, repulsed a company of Germans attempting to establish a bridgehead across the Saar River near Lisdorf. Holding fire until the enemy was within a few yards of the two machine guns, Sergeant MICKINZIE and his men opened accurate, deadly fire and succeeded in killing at least ten Germans, capturing five, and sinking one assault boat. The remaining enemy troops were driven back from the far bank of the river. Sergeant MICKINZIE'S brave conduct on this occasion reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JACK C. WOOTEN, 18049513, Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. In taking several pillboxes on the outer fringe of the Siegfried Line, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment suffered heavy casualties and was in danger of being completely disorganized. However, one platoon was held together by the courageous leadership

of Sergeant WOOTEN, who led his men to a safe position as quickly as possible and established a security guard for them. Sergeant WOOTEN immediately set about organizing carrying parties for the evacuation of casualties, which was then accomplished rapidly and safely through the aid station of another Battalion, since Company A was not in contact with its own station. The outstanding leadership and resourcefulness shown by Sergeant WOOTEN at this time reflect great credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

ARTHUR H. HUSSUNG JR, 0516597, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Longevill les Metz, France. First Lieutenant HUSSUNG, forward artillery observer with Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, volunteered to attempt to transmit messages to the Third Battalion Command Post, after Company L had been cut off from all contact with the Battalion except by radio. Knowing that his attempt to transmit radio messages would bring heavy artillery fire on his position, First Lieutenant HUSSUNG nevertheless persisted in his hazardous task until the vital communications were re-established and the Battalion Command Post was informed of the Company's location. His selfless devotion to duty and unflagging bravery reflect great credit on First Lieutenant HUSSUNG and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

JAMES S. SERDONOV, 36565246, Corporal, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 and 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Insdorf, Germany. Throughout this period, Corporal SERDONOV, radio operator with the forward observer party, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, remained at his radio keeping in communication with the Battalion although the enemy was shelling his position very heavily with artillery and mortars. Several direct hits were scored on the building and on one occasion, an enemy mortar shell, landing in the next room, blasted plaster and debris down upon the radio and its operator. Undeterred by the very evident dangers of his job, Corporal SERDONOV never faltered in the transmission of the directions of the observer, which resulted in the neutralization of the heavy enemy fire. Corporal SERDONOV'S courage and tenacity of purpose reflect great credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

WILLIURN E. HENSON, 35486666, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Despite fierce hostile artillery and mortar fire, the artillery liaison section, of which Corporal HENSON was wire corporal, voluntarily commenced laying wire from the Command Post of the Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment in Fraulautern to a forward wire head in Saarlautern. This necessitated crossing a large, open clearing, as well as the bridge over the Saar River, both of which were under direct enemy observation. Heavy enemy fire destroyed the lines even as they were laid, but Corporal HENSON and his comrades continued working under those difficult conditions. Of the three complete lines laid, only one line remained which could be serviced and put into operation. Corporal HENSON persevered at his duty throughout the night, courageously crossing the clearing many times in maintaining the line. Once, he and the chief of section were discovered by a heavy enemy machine gun which fired upon them until they escaped to defilade. For his great personal courage and unflagging devotion to duty, Corporal HENSON has brought distinct credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

WILLIAM C. SWIM, 37213222, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Despite fierce hostile artillery and mortar fire, the Artillery Liaison Section, of which Sergeant SWIM was chief, voluntarily commenced laying wire from the Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, command post in Fraulautern to a forward wire head in Saarlautern. This necessitated crossing a large, open clearing as well as the bridge over the Saar River, both of which were under direct enemy observation. Heavy enemy fire destroyed the lines even as they were laid, but Sergeant SWIM and his comrade continued working under these difficult conditions. Of the three complete lines laid, only one line remained which could be serviced and put into operation. Sergeant SWIM persevered at his duty throughout the night, courageously crossing the clearing many times in maintaining the line. Once, he and the wire corporal of the section were discovered by a heavy enemy machine gun, which fired upon them until they escaped to defilade. For his great personal courage and unflagging devotion to duty, Sergeant SWIM has brought distinct credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

RAY L. ADKINS, 15312775, Private First Class, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During the street fighting in Fraulautern, American troops were subjected to violent enemy artillery and mortar fire. The resistance was of fanatical stubbornness; and the enemy was driven back only by the incessant pounding of heavy artillery. During this operation communications between the Artillery Liaison Officer and the ****Field Artillery Battalion Fire Direction Center had to be maintained at any cost. On 11 December 1944, a liaison wireman, Private First Class ADKINS was called upon to repair the vital telephone line which was severed numerous times by enemy shell fire. On each occasion, he exposed himself to vicious enemy artillery and sniper fire, but he did not hesitate in the performance of his duty. Private First Class ADKINS' conspicuous loyalty and courage reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

MICHAEL BAYUS JR, 35316178, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During the street fighting in Fraulautern, American troops were subjected to violent enemy artillery and mortar fire. The resistance was of fanatical stubbornness, and the enemy was driven back only by the incessant pounding of heavy artillery. During this operation communications between the Artillery Liaison Officer and the ****Field Artillery Battalion Fire Direction Center had to be maintained at any cost. Corporal BAYUS, Liaison Wire Corporal, was called upon to repair the vital telephone line which was severed numerous times by enemy shell fire. On each occasion, he exposed himself to vicious enemy artillery and sniper fire, but he did not hesitate in the performance of his duty. Corporal BAYUS' conspicuous loyalty and courage reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ARTHUR L. SHAFER, 35243711, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 December 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. For three days and three nights, Sergeant SHAFER, as

commander of a 105 millimeter assault gun, remained in his tank under constant artillery and mortar fire. Unceasingly open to attack by hostile bazooka teams, he directed prompt and effective fire against enemy pillboxes at very short range until penetration was obtained, enabling American infantry to advance. Throughout this period, Sergeant SCHAFFLER and his crew manned their gun without a break, although the tank was exposed at times to enemy anti-tank fire on three sides, and on one occasion, to a hostile high explosive anti-tank weapon. His courage, steadfast devotion to duty, and utter disregard for his personal safety through a long period of sustained action reflects great credit on Sergeant SCHAFFLER and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

SALVATORE CONDINZIO, 1218' 490, Corporal, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 December 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. For three days and three nights, Corporal CONDINZIO, member of a 105 millimeter assault gun crew, remained in his tank under constant artillery and mortar fire. Unceasingly open to attack by hostile bazooka teams, he and the other members of the tank crew directed prompt and effective fire against enemy pillboxes at very short range until penetration was obtained, enabling American infantry to advance. Throughout this period, Corporal CONDINZIO and his comrades manned their gun without a break, although the tank was exposed at times to enemy anti-tank fire on three sides, and, on one occasion, to a hostile high explosive anti-tank weapon. His courage, steadfast devotion to duty, and utter disregard for his personal safety through a long period of sustained action reflect great credit on Corporal CONDINZIO and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

WILLIAM E. HALL, 35498917, Corporal, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 December 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. For three days and three nights, Corporal HALL, member of a 105 millimeter assault gun crew, remained in his tank under constant artillery and mortar fire. Unceasingly open to attack by hostile bazooka teams, he and the other members of the tank crew directed prompt and effective fire against enemy pillboxes at very short range until penetration was obtained, enabling American infantry to advance. Throughout this period, Corporal HALL and his comrades manned their gun without a break, although the tank was exposed at times to enemy anti-tank fire on three sides, and, on one occasion, to a hostile high explosive anti-tank weapon. His courage, steadfast devotion to duty, and utter disregard for his personal safety through a long period of sustained action reflect great credit on Corporal HALL and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

CLYDE A. TAYLOR, 34896284, Private, INF, Headquarters Company, **** Tank Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 December 1944 to 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. For three days and three nights, Private TAYLOR, member of a 105 millimeter assault gun crew, remained in his tank under constant artillery and mortar fire. Unceasingly open to attack by hostile bazooka teams, he and the other members of the tank crew directed prompt and effective fire against enemy pillboxes at very short range until penetration was obtained, enabling American infantry to advance. Throughout this period, Private TAYLOR and his comrades manned their gun without a break, although the tank was exposed at times to enemy

anti-tank fire on three sides, and, on one occasion, to a hostile high explosive anti-tank weapon. His courage, steadfast devotion to duty, and utter disregard for his personal safety through a long period of sustained action reflect great credit on Private TAYLOR and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

JOSEPH E. FRIGGIONE, 3908094, Sergeant, FA, Company B, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 and 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Scharlautern, Germany. Sergeant FRIGGIONE's platoon was on the north side of the Saar River protecting the bridge and bridgehead at Scharlautern on 4 December 1944 and 5 December 1944, during which time, by skillful and courageous employment of his M-36 Tank Destroyer, he assisted in repulsing several armored enemy counter attacks which attempted to destroy the bridge. When the enemy made a desperate effort to destroy the bridge by attacking with tank-supported infantry, Sergeant FRIGGIONE calmly and coolly waited until he could ascertain the identity of the tank, then opened fire at point blank range of twenty yards and completely destroyed the tank; with his anti-aircraft machine gun he drove back the supporting infantry. The distinct courage and high devotion to duty exhibited by Sergeant FRIGGIONE reflect great credit upon him and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

CHARLES F. TAYLOR, 35161604, Sergeant, FA, Company B, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Scharlautern, Germany. With the firing of an enemy pillbox as his mission, Sergeant TAYLOR, under intense artillery and mortar fire, reconnoitered for a position and moved his M-36 Tank Destroyer into this position under full view of the enemy. In spite of the heavy artillery and bazooka fire directed at him, Sergeant TAYLOR completed his mission and neutralized the pillbox, thereby enabling our troops to continue their advance. The heroic conduct of Sergeant TAYLOR reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

CARL W. MARSHALL, 34393611, Private First Class, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. During the attack of Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, on Fraulautern, Private First Class MARSHALL repeatedly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to repair the telephone communication lines. Because of his resolute devotion to duty communications were available at all times. Private First Class MARSHALL's heroic conduct contributed materially to the success of the attack, reflecting great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

RICHARD S. STONE, 36841761, Technician Fifth Grade, (then Private First Class), INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 and 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. On the night of 8 November 1944 Technician Fifth Grade STONE was with the first elements of the division to cross the Moselle River at Uckange. Under concentrated enemy fire he contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead operation by escorting prisoners of war from the congested bridgehead area. Technician Fifth Grade STONE's heroic action in recrossing the swollen, mine-strewn river in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

EUGENE A. HEBEL, 36062135, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 and 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. On the night of 8 November 1944 Private First Class HEBEL was with the first elements of the Division to cross the Moselle River at Uckange. Under concentrated enemy fire he contributed materially to the success of the bridgehead operation by escorting prisoners of war from the congested bridgehead area. Private First Class HEBEL's heroic action in recrossing the swollen, mine-strewn river in the face of enemy fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EARL B. SHAW, 0401797, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), INF, Headquarters, First Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from Kentucky.

BERNARD H. ROY, 6883691, Sergeant, FA, Battery B, 4th Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 October 1944 to 5 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

HAROLD H. LOCH, 0335723, Major, QM, 4th Quartermaster Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Arizona.

WOODROW W. SAMUEL, 33540934, 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 Virginia.

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

JOSEPH A. YAZBEK, 35301529, Private, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 17 November 1944, in the vicinity of Woippy, France. In an attack on Woippy on 17 November 1944, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment suffered numerous casualties from hostile artillery and small arms fire. Private YAZBEK, aware of the intense suffering of many of his comrades, moved out under fierce enemy fire and across mined areas to reach the wounded. He administered first aid and evacuated the casualties over the same hazardous route he had followed to reach them. With heroic disregard for his own safety, Private YAZBEK made trip after trip across the dangerous area, gallantly persevering at his task until caught in an artillery barrage which cost him his life. His unlimited personal courage and supreme devotion to duty have brought lasting honor on Private YAZBEK and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

MARSHALL W. HERIFORD, 36062158, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-les-Metz, France. During the attack on the Slag Pile, Staff Sergeant HERIFORD, a squad leader in the first platoon of Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, was advancing with his squad when the entire platoon's progress was seriously impeded by hostile machine gun fire. Disregarding the severe enemy barrage, Staff Sergeant HERIFORD boldly advanced alone toward the harassing machine gun and silenced it with hand grenades. The platoon was thus permitted to move rapidly on to its objective. In this action, Staff Sergeant HERIFORD was mortally wounded by enemy rifle fire. His great courage and conspicuous devotion to duty have brought lasting honor to Staff Sergeant HERIFORD and to 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

GERD S. GROMBACHER, 36730162, Master Sergeant, INF, Headquarters Military Intelligence Service, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, (attached this Headquarters), for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Master Sergeant GROMBACHER volunteered to act as interpreter at negotiations over the surrender of Fort Plappeville. The place selected by the German commander for the discussion was

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entirely removed from friendly observation but under both enemy observation and possible fire. Master Sergeant GROMBACHER, fully aware of the great danger involved, accompanied the negotiating officer to the appointed place. After considerable discussion, the German commander refused the surrender terms, and Master Sergeant GROMBACHER and the officer, under constant enemy surveillance, returned to their lines. His high personal courage and extreme devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on Master Sergeant GROMBACHER and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ERNEST A. SMITH, 01275324, First Lieutenant, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When the enemy hurled tanks and infantry against two rifle companies which were attacking Fraulautern, First Lieutenant SMITH and another officer exposed themselves dangerously to hostile fire in order to most effectively employ their rocket launcher. First Lieutenant SMITH and his companion scored direct hits on the leading tank and on a tank bearing down on the left flank. Their bold and accurate fire forced the surviving enemy armor to retire from the field and resulted in the decisive repulsion of the German attack. First Lieutenant SMITH'S daring prowess on this occasion reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Hawaii.

NORMAN E. TWITTEN, 01311576, First Lieutenant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When the enemy hurled tanks and infantry against two rifle companies which were attacking Fraulautern, First Lieutenant TWITTEN and another officer exposed themselves dangerously to hostile fire in order to most effectively employ their rocket launcher. First Lieutenant TWITTEN and his companion scored direct hits on the leading tank and on a tank bearing down on the left flank. Their bold and accurate fire forced the surviving enemy armor to retire from the field and resulted in the decisive repulsion of the German attack. First Lieutenant TWITTEN'S daring prowess on this occasion reflects great credit on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JOHN J. HARRONK, 35216263, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company C, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When a heavy machine gun firing through a cellar window threatened to pin down his rifle platoon, Technical Sergeant HARRONK quickly formulated a bold plan to remove the hazard. Leaving two squads to continue firing on the enemy, he himself, carrying a borrowed automatic rifle, led the third squad to assault the position from the right flank. Technical Sergeant HARRONK, at the head of his men, directed fire on the position as the squad approached the building. When within 250 yards of the emplacement he threw hand grenades into the open window through which the machine gun was firing. He then led his men into the building and eliminated further resistance at this point, killing three Germans and capturing fire. The superb leadership and gallant conduct displayed by Technical Sergeant HARRONK reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WESTLEY HARE, 3789725, Private, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When all communication lines between the Second Battalion Command Post and its

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were severed by heavy enemy artillery fire, Private HARE volunteered to carry messages back across the Saar River bridge to his Company Command Post. During the day, he made several trips across the bridge under the most severe artillery fire ever received by the Second Battalion. On one occasion, the soldier accompanying Private HARE was killed by shrapnel, but the intrepid scout observer continued on to complete his dangerous mission. Private HARE'S great personal courage and unusual devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

EDUARDO MUÑOZ, 01102382, Second Lieutenant, CE, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. When the advance of the infantry was being held up by a pillbox supported by fire from pillboxes on all sides, Second Lieutenant MUÑOZ and four engineer soldiers volunteered to attempt the destruction of the pillbox. Loaded with demolitions, Second Lieutenant MUÑOZ led his men across an open area of seventy-five yards which was raked by fire and opened fire on the house adjacent to the obstructing pillbox killing two Germans. Infiltrating across the street, Second Lieutenant MUÑOZ and his crew blew a rat hole in the wall nearest the pillbox. Explosives were passed from man to man and placed against the pillbox. Three charges were necessary to blow in the side of the pillbox and one German soldier was killed and nineteen surrendered. The heroic leadership and fearless devotion to duty displayed by Second Lieutenant MUÑOZ reflect great credit upon him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Puerto Rico.

EMERSON S. MANTER, 35581378, Private First Class, CE, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Private First Class MANTER was one of a group of wounded being evacuated by medical aid men. Making its way across a field subject to heavy enemy fire the group reached the Saar River where no boat was available to carry them to the other side. Private First Class MANTER and some other soldiers searched for and found an assault boat in which the seriously wounded were placed and rowed to the opposite shore. Noise made in unloading attracted enemy mortar and artillery fire, but Private First Class MANTER continued his work and moved the wounded to cover in a house where he remained with them while his comrade went in search of an aid station. Private First Class MANTER'S heroic unselfishness reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ANTON STEVEN, 32792167, Private First Class, CE, Company B, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. Private First Class STEVEN was one of a group of wounded being evacuated by medical aid men. Making its way across a field subject to heavy enemy fire, the group reached the Saar River to find no boat available to carry them to the opposite shore. Private First Class STEVEN and some others succeeded in finding an assault boat in which they placed the more seriously wounded and rowed them across the river. The enemy was attracted by the sound made in unloading the wounded and immediately a barrage of mortar and artillery fire was directed on the spot. However, Private First Class STEVEN continued his work and moved the wounded to cover in a house where he left them with a comrade. He then went in search of an aid station and soon returned with an ambulance. Private First Class STEVEN'S heroic unselfishness reflects great credit upon him.

self and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

III. 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:

TONY B. MAURICIEZ, 39240702, Private, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jessy, France. On 15 November 1944, while serving as a forward scout, Private MAURICIEZ substantially aided his Platoon in reaching the objective near Fort Jessy by locating and pointing out enemy strongpoints. Later in the action Private MAURICIEZ further distinguished himself by participating in the evacuation of the wounded under heavy enemy fire. On 4 December 1944 this gallant soldier died of wounds received in action. Private MAURICIEZ' fearless devotion to duty reflects lasting honor on him and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

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 AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

ALEXANDER M. HUNTER, 31350223, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Gambetta, France. When the commander of Company K was mortally wounded, Staff Sergeant HUNTER moved out under severe mortar and artillery fire to a position where he could notify the only remaining officer of the situation. Inasmuch as all radio communications were out, it was necessary for Staff Sergeant HUNTER to continually expose himself to enemy fire as he moved between the Battalion observation post and the forward elements. With complete disregard for his personal safety he continued this work, and thus Company K was able to withdraw successfully. The distinct courage and high devotion to duty exhibited by Staff Sergeant HUNTER reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

WILLIAM E. CAMPBELL, 35464420, Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company K, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 and 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Maizieres-lez-Metz, France. During the attack on the Slog Pile, Sergeant CAMPBELL, a machine gunner with Company K, and his squad leader were left alone when the rest of the squad advanced through an enemy mine field. Despite heavy artillery, mortar, machine gun and small arms fire, Sergeant CAMPBELL advanced carrying the machine gun and tripod and with the squad leader set up a gun position and gave the much needed supporting fire. Many times he was left to hold the position alone while the squad leader returned to a rear position for ammunition. Sergeant CAMPBELL'S courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

STEPHEN R. MIKLE, 32595355, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Imeldange, France. While on sentry duty at the Battalion Command

Post, which the enemy was trying to capture, Private First Class MIKLE by continuous fire from his M-1 rifle, materially aided in repelling continual counter-attacks by enemy infantry and armor although enemy self-propelled high velocity weapons were firing point blank at the house, Private First Class MIKLE remained at his post. When the building occupied by the Command Post was set afire, Private First Class MIKLE with his M-1 rifle covered the withdrawal of the personnel. Private First Class MIKLE'S courage and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

HAROLD W. WOLFE, 35039049, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 11 December 1944 to 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Eszdorf, Germany. During this period Staff Sergeant WOLFE led carrying parties across the Saar River with supplies so vital to the success of the mission. To get these much needed supplies to the Second Battalion, it was necessary to ferry the carrying parties across the Saar River in Engineer Assault boats and then cross the six hundred yard flooded plain of the river without cover and under heavy mortar, artillery and small arms fire. With no regard for his personal safety, Staff Sergeant WOLFE also took charge of the evacuation of the wounded. Because of Staff Sergeant WOLFE'S courage and devotion to duty, the Second Battalion was kept supplied with ammunition and rations and was able to retain its bridgehead. Staff Sergeant WOLFE'S grouch service reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILBUR L. HUFFMAN, 35244098, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 28 and 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Karlishof Farms, Germany. During this period, even though under constant enemy artillery and small arms fire, Private First Class HUFFMAN maintained the only means of communication with the Observation Posts of Companies F and G to the Company Command Posts and Battalion Headquarters. Because of the intense enemy action, wire was the only means of communication with the forward observation posts, and Private First Class HUFFMAN, with complete disregard for his own safety, and in the face of constant artillery and small arms fire, kept the wire communication lines in constant repair. Private First Class HUFFMAN'S bravery was instrumental in the accomplishment of the mission. Private First Class HUFFMAN'S devotion to duty and conspicuous conduct reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

LLOYD W. MORGAN, 01230272, First Lieutenant, INF, Company H, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Jeanne D'Arc, France. In a hard fought attack on strong enemy positions near Fort Jeanne D'Arc First Lieutenant MORGAN was wounded in the hand by fragments of an exploding mortar shell. However, he continued to lead his platoon aggressively to its objective where in furious fighting heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy. First Lieutenant MORGAN'S staunch leadership and courageous behavior reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

CHARLES R. O'KELLEY, 34625895, Sergeant, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Sergeant O'KELLEY'S 40 millimeter gun section, furnishing overhead protection for ground operations in the sector, was the target of an extremely heavy artillery barrage. Despite the continuous shelling, Sergeant O'KELLEY courageously led his men in the preparation of fortified emplacements. Even after these positions were completed, he continued making necessary improvements even though his actions brought him directly into the enemy's line of fire. His daring leadership and brave conduct in the face of the enemy reflect great credit on Sergeant O'KELLEY and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

JAMES M. ELLIOTT, 36173420, Private, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Throughout this difficult time, Private Elliott, a jeep driver, constantly traveled between gun positions and the Battery Command Post under extremely heavy and accurate enemy shelling. On 5 December 1944, he fearlessly led a reconnaissance party over roads known to be mined, under enemy observation and artillery fire. Later he returned over the same route to guide guns into position and to direct wire crews in installing communications. Private ELLIOTT'S courage and dogged determination reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EARL L. WEEHAN, 31219957, Private, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Immediately after his unit took up its positions, Private WEEHAN set out to install communications between the gun emplacements and the platoon command post. Although harassed continuously by intense artillery fire, he succeeded in completing his mission in remarkably short time. During the ensuing four days and nights, Private WEEHAN patrolled the lines almost constantly, making the frequent repairs made necessary by telling enemy fire. His efforts, always timely and efficient, were not stayed by the vicious shelling under which he worked. Private WEEHAN'S courage and exceptional devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

JOHN R. CUEVAS, 38412198, Private First Class, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. During this period Private First Class CUEVAS and another enlisted man were responsible for laying and maintaining platoon telephone communications. Most of the time, the two men were running a gauntlet of deadly artillery fire, repairing lines which were being knocked out constantly by the heavy shelling. On one occasion although Private First Class CUEVAS' companion was flattened by an explosion, he was not to be deterred from the performance of his ever-hazardous task. The cool courage and valiant determination demonstrated by Private First Class CUEVAS reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

FRANK R. BALLOU, 34636239, Private, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. During this period Private BALLOU and another enlisted man were responsible for laying wire and maintaining platoon telephone communications. Most of the time, the two men were running a gauntlet of deadly artillery fire, repairing lines which were being knocked out constantly by the heavy shelling. On one occasion, Private BALLOU was flattened by an explosion, his helmet blown many feet away and the pliers he was using knocked from his hand by shrapnel. This narrow escape and the continuous presence of grave danger did not, however, deter him from the loyal performance of his duty. The cool courage and valiant determination demonstrated by Private BALLOU reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

DAVID A. GRAY, 39279906, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Felsberg, Germany. When a platoon headquarters was struck by two enemy shells Technician Fifth Grade GRAY rushed to the scene to find five wiremen severely wounded, lying outside the building. Realizing the danger of moving the men without giving them first aid, he remained exposed to the ever-increasing artillery fire, treating the critically wounded soldiers until they were evacuated to an aid station. Technician Fifth Grade GRAY'S valiant conduct and fearless devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

EDWARD J. JONES, 39075928, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 17 November 1944 to 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the operations against Metz, Technical Sergeant JONES, a platoon leader, displayed outstanding courage and ability. With complete disregard for his own safety Technical Sergeant JONES led his men through mines and a terrific barrage of small arms and automatic weapons fire to a position from which they could place effective fire on the enemy. Soon the enemy guns were silenced. Technical Sergeant JONES' remarkable leadership and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and upon the military service. Entered military service from California.

FRANCIS A. BROWN, 32942162, 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 Karlshoe Farms, Germany. Private First Class BROWN, a radio operator for Company G, displayed exceptional courage and coolness under enemy fire. In the attack on the high ground east of Karlshoe, Company G was subjected to an extremely heavy mortar concentration. Ignoring personal safety, Private First Class BROWN set up his radio and continued to operate it all during the barrage, thereby enabling our artillery to place effective fire on the enemy fleeing Falsberg in confusion. Private First Class BROWN'S courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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FRANK W. SHAW, 39021463, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 3 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. While serving as a jeep ambulance driver, Technician Fifth Grade SHAW maintained a constant vigil at the collecting point on the bank of the Saar River, where he also directed Litter Squads in boat to bank evacuation. This was done under heavy shell fire. Technician Fifth Grade SHAW also operated assault boats across the river and as a driver he made many trips through enemy artillery fire down to the river bank in evacuating the wounded. His cool judgment in the face of heavy fire and his ability to direct other men aided considerably in giving superior evacuation service to seriously wounded men, thus saving many lives. Technician Fifth Grade SHAW'S courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from California.

GLENN R. ROBINSON, 0404520, Captain, Ord Dept, ****Ordnance (LM) Company, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 23 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

JAMES E. GWARTNEY, 16072755, 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.

V. AWARD OF THIRD 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 two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal previously awarded, a third Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

ELMER C. FLAHA, 020662, Major, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 26 November 1944 to 27 December 1944, in Germany. Entered Military Academy from Texas.

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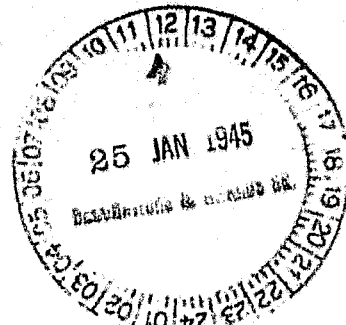
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR, MISSING IN ACTION: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

STANLEY J. WERWEZKA, 32609327, Private, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Bois la Dame, France. Private WERWEZKA, along with two other men, volunteered to remain in position and cover the withdrawal of Company A when it became necessary to move the company to a more advantageous position on the flank of the Fort. The brave little group, by its accurate, continuous fire, succeeded in keeping the machine gun embrasures of the Fort closed during the withdrawal, thereby greatly reducing casualties which might have resulted. Private WERWEZKA has been listed as missing in action since he was last seen firing at the Fort. His valorous action has earned lasting honor for Private WERWEZKA and for the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

DONALD B. SCHNABEL, 15306734, Corporal, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Samleuturm-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was seriously hindered by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Corporal SCHNABEL and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt to destroy the pillbox. Accompanied by infantrymen to provide covering fire and screened by smoke, the two soldiers advanced toward the pillbox. While the riflemen poured fire into the machine gun ports, Corporal SCHNABEL crawled up to the gun port, placed a heavy beehive charge against the muzzle of the machine gun and detonated it. One German was killed, and the seven remaining soldiers within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue on toward its objective. The cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty in the face of intense enemy fire reflect distinct honor on Corporal SCHNABEL and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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:

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HARRY J. NEVILLE, 37654528, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Wolppy, France. Technician Fourth Grade NEVILLE, aid man with a rifle company in the Second Battalion, was forced by heavy enemy shell fire to take cover with his Platoon in a building. Shortly thereafter, the house was struck by an artillery shell and Technician Fourth Grade NEVILLE and five infantrymen were hit. Disregarding his own wounds, he immediately began treating the other casualties. After having completed first aid treatment on all five wounded men, he collapsed from loss of blood and physical exhaustion. Technician Fourth Grade NEVILLE'S unswerving devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

J. B. STANDERFER, 37209940, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. His Platoon having been assigned the mission of clearing and holding trenches protecting fortified enemy positions, Technical Sergeant STANDERFER led his men in the attack and personally killed five enemy soldiers. After being painfully wounded by flying shell fragments, he refused to be evacuated from the scene of the successful assault until he had established defensive measures against possible enemy counter-attacks. The high degree of leadership, courage and devotion to duty manifested by Technical Sergeant STANDERFER reflects distinct credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

JOHN ZADROVITZ JR., 31193151, Private, CE, Company G, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. The Infantry Company which Private ZADROVITZ' squad was supporting was unable to advance due to machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox to the immediate front. Private ZADROVITZ, volunteering to attempt to destroy the obstacle, crawled forward under direct fire toward the pillbox carrying a heavy charge of composition C-3, his rifle and hand grenades. When the charge which he placed against the door failed to detonate, he commenced firing with his rifle through the machine gun ports and tossing hand grenades against the door and into the ports. Seven enemy soldiers holding the fortification, thinking they were completely surrounded, surrendered immediately. Private ZADROVITZ, by his great personal courage and resourcefulness, has brought distinct credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

WILLIAM J. CALLAHAN, 35713470, Private First Class, CE, Company G, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was seriously hindered by fierce machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Private First Class CALLAHAN and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt to destroy the bunker. With covering fire provided by twelve riflemen, Private First Class CALLAHAN, unarmed and carrying a flame thrower, advanced frontally to within twenty-five yards of the pillbox, while his comrade approached on the side. Throwing flame into the gun ports, he drove the gunners away from their guns long enough to permit his associate to run forward, place a beehive charge against the door and detonate it. One German was killed, and the seven remaining soldiers within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue on toward its objective. Private First Class

GILLHAM'S cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty in the face of intense enemy fire reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

STEVE FERRO, 36060075, Technician Fifth Grade, GE, Company C, **** Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, **** Infantry Regiment was seriously hindered by fierce machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Technician Fifth Grade FERRO and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt to destroy the bunker. With covering fire provided by two riflemen, Technician Fifth Grade FERRO, unarmed and carrying a heavy beehive charge, advanced toward the side of the pillbox, while his comrade armed with a flame thrower approached frontally. When he was within twenty-five yards of the fortification, his associate commenced throwing flame into the gun ports, and Technician Fifth Grade FERRO dashed forward to the pillbox door, placed the charge against it, and detonated the explosive. One German soldier was killed, and the seven remaining within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue on toward its objective. Technician Fifth Grade FERRO'S cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty in the face of intense enemy fire reflect distinct credit on himself 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 Ltr. Hq, XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JAMES M. SCOTT, 34388556, Sergeant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on Fereau Farm the forward rifle elements of Company G were in dire need of ammunition. Sergeant SCOTT, leader of a machine gun squad, left his covered position and exposed himself to the fierce artillery, mortar and small arms fire to take ammunition to the front line troops, making four exhausting trips. With utter disregard for his personal safety Sergeant SCOTT, on his return trips, assisted in carrying the wounded to cover where first aid could be administered. The distinct courage and high devotion to duty exhibited by Sergeant SCOTT reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

DONALD W. MASSEY, 16011171, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on Fereau Farm the forward rifle elements of Company G were in dire need of ammunition. Staff Sergeant MASSEY, leader of a machine gun squad, left his covered position and exposed himself to the fierce artillery, mortar and small arms fire to take ammunition to the front line troops, making four exhausting trips. With utter disregard for his personal safety Staff Sergeant MASSEY, on his return trips, assisted in carrying the wounded to cover where first aid could be administered. The distinct courage and high devotion to duty exhibited by Staff Sergeant MASSEY reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

ELNATHAN C. CONDIT, 32989050, Private First Class, 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. Private First Class CONDIT, gunner with a mortar squad, seeing that the Rifle Platoon to his front was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun fire, left the protection of a shell hole and under this heavy fire, crawled to the position where several comrades lay wounded. Private First Class CONDIT administered first aid to one casualty and assisted the others to a place of safety. The heroic conduct of Private First Class CONDIT reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

THOMAS G. MILLER, 16093248, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During a phase of the street fighting in Metz, wire communication with Battalion Headquarters was broken off and could not be immediately restored. With no thought for his personal safety, Private First Class MILLER, in the face of intense enemy mortar and small arms fire, dashed out of the Company Command Post into the street. There he set up his radio and established communication with the Battalion Commander. In spite of the heavy fire falling around him Private First Class MILLER remained at this dangerous post until ordered to leave by his Company Commander. The distinct courage and devotion to duty exhibited by Private First Class MILLER reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

MICHAEL J. PETRUS, 36354119, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company K, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 1 December 1944, in the vicinity of Oberfelsberg, Germany. Company K had almost completed the occupation of Oberfelsberg when a heavy enemy artillery barrage indicated the Germans were forming for a counter-attack. Technical Sergeant PETRUS, disregarding his own safety, moved forward under the intense artillery fire, quickly selected machine gun positions and supervised the placing of the guns, thereby protecting his Company against the counter-attack. Technical Sergeant PETRUS' courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

JOHN J. REILLY, 01324055, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company M, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. First Lieutenant REILLY, entering Emsdorf as mortar observer with the forward assault units, was performing his duties with exceptional skill when the leader of the machine gun platoon was seriously wounded. When placed in command of this platoon, First Lieutenant REILLY through superb leadership bolstered considerably the morale and fighting spirit of his men. Through his own initiative, he continued adjusting mortar fire with excellent results, requesting that no relief be sent him because of the great danger of attempting to reach his position. First Lieutenant REILLY'S splendid achievement reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROLLY THORPE, 33885819, Private First Class, INF, Company G, **** Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany.

Platoon Runner, Private First Class THORPE, without orders, and under intense hostile mortar, machine gun and sniper fire, checked for six hours the communication lines to the Platoon Outpost from which counter-battery fire was being directed. He was forced to do his work constantly under the eyes and guns of the enemy, but he was not to be deterred from successfully maintaining the essential communications. Private First Class THORPE'S valiant conduct in thus permitting accurate fire to be laid down on the enemy reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

WILBUR HEEKIN, 01310840, First Lieutenant, INF, Headquarters, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When there was no response to a radio request for Tank Destroyer support to assist Company L, ***Infantry Regiment hold the Saar River bridge, First Lieutenant HEEKIN volunteered to seek out the Tank Destroyers and guide them forward. Although First Lieutenant HEEKIN and his driver were forced to cross a section of the city in which bands of enemy soldiers were still roaming, the trip was made successfully with no protection except the small arms the two men carried. First Lieutenant HEEKIN'S courageous action, which aided immeasurably in holding the south end of the bridge, reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

HAROLD E. BERG, 37286097, Private First Class, INF, Company H, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When a wounded soldier called for help, Private First Class BERG and another soldier left their comparatively safe position and went out into a field covered by enemy mortar fire to aid the casualty. Disregarding the deadly enemy shelling, he and his companion placed the wounded man on a litter and evacuated him in their jeep to an aid station. The enemy's fire, always heavy, followed the vehicle's progress across the field until it finally escaped from his observation. Private First Class BERG, by his valorous conduct in helping to save the life of a wounded man on this occasion, has brought great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JOHN V. HUMMEL, 36249001, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Chief of the Battalion Survey Section, Staff Sergeant HUMMEL was assigned the dangerous mission of obtaining shell reports of the heavily shelled area occupied by an Infantry Battalion. On 14 December 1944, when a huge enemy artillery concentration fell on the east bank of the Saar River and no other member of the team was available, Staff Sergeant HUMMEL alone undertook to visit the area. With absolute disregard for his personal safety, he went forward under direct enemy observation to secure the vital information. While obtaining the invaluable data, he was severely wounded by another concentration in the same area. Staff Sergeant HUMMEL'S intrepid conduct while performing this hazardous mission reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

CARLETON S. BAKER, 31445076, Private, FA, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the

vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. At great personal risk to themselves, Private BAKER and two other members of the Liaison Section installed and maintained a wire line from Lisdorf to Holzmaile, the location of a forward switchboard. Constant heavy enemy shelling along the entire route resulted in many breaks in the line. Private BAKER was forced to patrol and repair the lines almost without rest, and on two occasions laid two new lines. Private BAKER'S unswerving loyalty and utter disregard for his own safety in the face of intense enemy barrages reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

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*CARL W. FERRIER, 36507628, Corporal, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 and 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the battle of the Slag Pile near Metz, Infantry holding the Slag Pile was in desperate need of reinforcements and supplies. Corporal FERRIER and another engineer soldier volunteered to find a path through the extensive enemy minefield so that the situation might be relieved. For thirty-six hours Corporal FERRIER worked without respite under direct enemy observation and fire, leading reinforcements and supply columns through the minefield and up the Slag Pile to the beleaguered Infantry. His brave actions and intrepid loyalty in aiding in the relief of a dangerous situation reflect great credit on Corporal FERRIER and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

STANLEY E. LEWKOWICZ, 36600324, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When an enemy mortar smoke shell exploded in the attic of the building occupied by the Command Post of Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment, Technician Fifth Grade LEWKOWICZ, a member of an Artillery Liaison Section, was engaged in the receiving and transmitting of messages. Although the attic was filled with stifling smoke and the floor on fire, Technician Fifth Grade LEWKOWICZ remained at his post and continued operating his radio until help arrived. His quick action in giving the alarm brought aid in time to extinguish the fire before it could do extensive damage. Technician Fifth Grade LEWKOWICZ' courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EDWARD O. HOOD, 15116787, Private First Class, FA, Battery B, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Carrying a ninety-five pound radio throughout the engagement of Saarlautern, Private First Class HOOD kept pace with the leading elements of the attacking echelon. Much of the time he was under murderous artillery, mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. At one point the Rifle Company Commander requested artillery, and Private First Class HOOD reported to the Company Commander's Observation Post where he set up his radio and contacted the artillery, obtaining the barrage which so greatly aided the advance of the Infantry. His gallant and wireless devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private First Class HOOD and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

EARL D. BROWN, 37448956, Sergeant, FA, Service Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France and Germany. Sergeant BROWN exhibited superior ability in the direction of his section of the ammunition train of Service Battery. Under intense mortar fire from Fort Jeanne D'Arc, Sergeant BROWN, in charge of a detail of trucks, courageously led the convoy, safely transporting supplies and personnel. Over treacherous roads, difficult terrain and under dangerous fire he accomplished all missions assigned him. Sergeant BROWN'S devotion to duty reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

JOHN G. VOIGHT, 01183783, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Throughout the assault on Forts St. Hubert and Juszy, Second Lieutenant VOIGHT served as forward artillery observer attached to Company B, **** Infantry Regiment. Under intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire, Second Lieutenant VOIGHT remained with the leading elements of the Company directing artillery fire. Through his able direction the barrage was directed in such a manner that the troops were always able to stay close behind it, and the number of casualties was comparatively low. Second Lieutenant VOIGHT'S remarkable leadership and unflagging devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

ROBERT MATHESON, 37209976, Private First Class, MD, Company A, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 25 and 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. While under intense artillery fire from the Maginot Line, Private First Class MATHESON courageously carried on his work of evacuating casualties and treating wounded in heavily mined fields. At one time the collecting point for the wounded, which Private First Class MATHESON and his comrades had established, was cut off from the aid station by an enemy counter-attack. However, the group maintained the collecting point until contact was again established with the aid station, thereby saving many lives. Private First Class MATHESON'S gallant and tireless devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

EDWARD I. MANASAS, 36356795, Private First Class, MD, Company A, **** Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 25 and 26 November 1944, in the vicinity of Boulay, France. While under intense artillery fire from the Maginot Line, Private First Class MANASAS courageously carried on his work of evacuating casualties and treating wounded in heavily mined fields. At one time the collecting point for the wounded, which Private First Class MANASAS and his comrades had established, was cut off from the aid station by an enemy counter-attack. However, the group maintained the collecting point until contact was again established with the aid station, thereby saving many lives. Private First Class MANASAS' gallant and tireless devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

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✓ SYLVESTER G. TURBES, 01178019, Captain, FA, 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 Minnesota.

✓ GEORGE R. MALLON, 39334954, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery C, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 November 1944 to 22 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. Entered military service from Oregon.

LEONARD ROMINE, 38020150, Technician Fourth Grade, FA, Service Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ ROBERT S. KOVACH, 33327475, Sergeant, 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 Pennsylvania.

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:

✓ ADAM MORLOCK, 37285979, Technician Fourth Grade, GE, Company C, **** Engineer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 and 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the battle of the Slag Pile near Maizieres-les-Metz, friendly infantry holding the Slag Pile was in desperate need of reinforcements and supplies. Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK and another engineer soldier volunteered to find a path through the extensive enemy minefield so that the situation might be relieved. For thirty-six hours Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK worked without respite under direct enemy observation and fire, leading reinforcements and supply columns through the minefield and up the Slag Pile to the beleaguered infantry. His brave actions and intrepid loyalty in aiding in the relief of a dangerous situation reflect great credit on Technician Fourth Grade MORLOCK and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

V. 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 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following:

✓ JOSEPH T. BELLERBY, 13154508, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Anneville, France. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

✓ CHARLES H. MITCHELL, 38272884, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Anneville, France. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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JAMES E. REIDBURN, 37293179, Private First Class, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Anneville, France. Entered military service from North Dakota.

MAURICE R. INGLAN, 37421537, Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Anneville, France. Entered military service from Iowa.

JOSEPH E. FERENC, 36875470, Private First Class, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Anneville, France. Entered military service from Michigan.

ROBERT E. COLE JR, 37213091, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Service Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Anneville, France. Entered military service from Missouri.

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

EMERY F. DOBS, 36247340, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Ottonville-et-Ricrangt, France. When the regular gunner was wounded in an attack by Company A on two enemy pillboxes, Staff Sergeant DOBS dismantled a light machine gun from its tripod and, advancing with it, peppered the hostile positions with assault fire. Although the enemy artillery and small arms fire was extremely heavy Staff Sergeant DOBS continued his bold advance until he had personally silenced two enemy machine guns and accounted for ten enemy dead. By his daring action and complete disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant DOBS has brought distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GENE S. COWLES, 35068048, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Technician Fifth Grade COWLES, in response to a call for medical personnel, went forward into fearful enemy snelling and small arms fire to attend the casualties of another Regiment, which was attacking in the Jailly Farm area. While treating the patients, he was painfully wounded in the ankle when fired on by the enemy. His left leg useless, he continued giving first aid until overcome by loss of blood and physical exhaustion. Technician Fifth Grade COWLES, by his great personal courage and selfless devotion to duty, has brought distinct credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

OSCAR KING, 42060389, Private, INF, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. An ammunition handler in a mortar squad, Private KING discovered that the Rifle Platoon to his front was completely pinned down by withering fire from an enemy machine gun position. With remarkable presence of mind and great daring, he flanked the hostile emplacement and, employing grenades and carbine fire, destroyed the machine gun nest. Private KING'S courageous action, which permitted the Platoon to complete its mission, reflects distinct credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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WILLIAM G. BARTHING, 13101550, Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was being seriously impeded by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Sergeant BARTHING volunteered to attempt to destroy the pillbox. Unarmed and carrying a heavy beehive charge, he crawled out alone and, coolly waiting until there was a lull in the firing, crawled toward the bunker. Following a course that brought him up directly in front of a gun port, he placed the charge against the muzzle of the machine gun and detonated it. The ten German soldiers within the pillbox immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue toward its objective. The cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant BARTHING reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

ANDREW E. DANSENEAU, 31181936, Corporal, (Then Private First Class), CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was seriously impeded by heavy machine gun fire from two enemy pillboxes, Corporal DANSENEAU and two other engineer soldiers volunteered to attempt to destroy one bunker in a coordinated attack on the obstacles. With fifteen infantrymen providing covering fire, Corporal DANSENEAU and his two comrades, all carrying large charges of explosives, crawled forward toward the pillbox until they were directly under the machine gun ports. Standing up they placed the charges against the muzzles of the machine guns and detonated the explosives. Eight German soldiers within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue toward its objective. The cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty displayed by Corporal DANSENEAU reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

HENRY E. BARTH, 31181709, Technician Fifth Grade, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 7 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was being held up by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Technician Fifth Grade BARTH volunteered to attempt to destroy the bunker. Accompanied by eighteen infantrymen to provide covering fire, he set out, unarmed and carrying a heavy beehive charge. Under searing machine gun fire, which killed one infantryman and wounded two others, the group advanced to a small building from which the riflemen opened fire on the gun ports of the pillbox. Covered by rifle fire until within a few yards of the fortification, Technician Fifth Grade BARTH rushed forward, placed the charge in the gun embrasure and detonated it. Four German soldiers were killed and the remaining twenty men within the pillbox surrendered immediately, thus making it possible for the Infantry to continue its advance. Technician Fifth Grade BARTH's great courage and extreme devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

LOUIS J. MOORE, 34831240, Private First Class, (Then Private), CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was seriously impeded by heavy machine gun fire from two enemy pillboxes, Private First Class MOORE and two other engineer soldiers volunteered to attempt to destroy one bunker in a coordinated attack on the obstacles. With fifteen infantrymen providing covering fire, Private

First Class MOORE and his two comrades, all carrying large charges of explosives, crawled forward toward the pillbox until they were directly under the machine gun ports. Standing up, they placed the charges against the muzzles of the machine guns and detonated the explosives. Eight German soldiers within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue toward its objective. The cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class MOORE reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

JOHN D. CLARK, 35730570, Private, CE, Company C, ***Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarbrücken-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment was seriously hindered by heavy machine gun fire from an enemy pillbox, Private CLARK and another engineer soldier volunteered to attempt to destroy the pillbox. Accompanied by infantrymen to provide covering fire and screened by smoke, the two soldiers advanced toward the pillbox. While the riflemen poured fire into the machine gun ports, Private CLARK crawled up to the gun port, placed a heavy beehive charge against the muzzle of the machine gun and detonated it. One German was killed, and the seven remaining soldiers within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue on toward its objective. The cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty in the face of intense enemy fire reflect distinct honor on Private CLARK and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

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:

PETER KREBS, 37273032, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When the Platoon in which Staff Sergeant KREBS was a squad leader was being held up by machine gun fire from the Moselle River Bridge, he boldly left his covered position and, firing an automatic rifle with devastating accuracy, wounded one of the enemy gunners and drove the other back into Metz. The Platoon was then free to continue advancing toward its objective. Staff Sergeant KREBS was mortally wounded at a later date by sniper fire while leading his squad in an attack. His courage and valor, which won for Staff Sergeant KREBS the respect of men and officers alike, have brought lasting credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

DAVID Q. BUCK, 6720129, Private First Class, 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. In his assignment as operator of an automatic rifle, Private First Class BUCK not only gave his Platoon effective fire support, but also personally destroyed three snipers and one machine gun nest which had inflicted heavy casualties on the Company. In this engagement, he lost his assistant and ammunition bearer and was forced to carry his supply of ammunition. Private First Class BUCK, while advancing against the enemy gave up his life in the explosion of a land mine. Private First Class BUCK'S heroic devotion to duty, which remains an inspiration to his Company, reflects lasting credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from the District of Columbia.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of 48 Stat. 756, as amended, and M. P. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

VEIN H. MARTINSON, 01385260, Captain, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Personally leading a night combat patrol into the enemy main line of resistance, Captain MARTINSON conducted his men across dangerous terrain and deployed them around the buildings at Fremont Farm. Then launching an attack against the buildings with bazookas and pole charges, he also directed automatic rifle fire into adjacent machine gun emplacements. Captain MARTINSON himself killed two of the enemy in the fray. The enemy, completely caught off balance by the heavy fire of the patrol, opened up with automatic rifle and small arms fire along the entire sector, thus disclosing heretofore unknown positions. Captain MARTINSON'S courageous leadership reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

JAY H. HOLLINGER, 33511097, Staff Sergeant, (Then Technician Fifth Grade), INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 24 November 1944 to 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Throughout his Company's advance from Boulay, France to Saarlautern, Germany, Staff Sergeant HOLLINGER was continuously in the very heart of the action. North of Boulay, France, he led his automatic rifle team through the violent fighting, staying always ahead of his gunner to select an entagous firing positions and valuable targets. Later, he was placed on an assault team, the principal mission of which was to serve as the forward element of the Company and to clean houses of remaining enemy personnel. Serving in this capacity until reaching Saarlautern, Staff Sergeant HOLLINGER displayed unusual courage on every occasion, often going forward in the face of fierce enemy resistance. His gifted leadership and brave devotion to duty reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant HOLLINGER and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

DONALD F. SMITH, 01285323, First Lieutenant, INF, Anti-Tank Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 22 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. First Lieutenant SMITH, with seven men and two fifty caliber machine guns, repulsed a Company of Germans attempting to establish a bridgehead across the Saar River near Lisdorf. Holding fire until the enemy was within a few yards of the machine guns, First Lieutenant SMITH and his group opened deadly, accurate fire and succeeded in killing at least ten Germans, capturing five, and sinking one assault boat. The remaining enemy troops were driven back from the far bank of the river. Later in the day, when four German soldiers attempted to cross the river on the left flank of the sector, he killed two of them with his carbine and sent the others scurrying for safety. First Lieutenant SMITH'S brave conduct reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

RALPH E. DAVIS, 35401134, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 14 December 1944 to 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Medical jeep driver in a forward aid station, Private First Class DAVIS during this period drove through heavy enemy mortar and sniper fire to the front lines on numerous occasions to aid in the evacuation of casualties. At one time

when four soldiers were overcome by dynamite fumes after blasting a pillbox, he led the litter bearers to the gas litter and in so doing exposed himself to small arms fire from an enemy bunker fifty yards distant. Private First Class DAVIS, after the casualties were placed in the jeep, drove them back to the aid station through intense hostile mortar fire. His exceptional devotion to duty reflects great credit on Private First Class DAVIS and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CLEMENS A. SCHUEMKE, 37293417, Technical Sergeant, (Then Staff Sergeant), INF, Company A, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Mouton, France. While under very accurate small arms fire and an intense mortar and artillery barrage, Technical Sergeant SCHUEMKE returned to the open marshes called Herten to administer first aid to one of his men. Medical aid men had attempted to reach this casualty but, after being subjected to heavy hostile fire, had been forced to suspend their efforts. Technical Sergeant SCHUEMKE'S courageous disregard for his own safety reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

ROBERT E. STOCKELMAN, 15116354, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 2 December 1944 to 19 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Staff Sergeant STOCKELMAN, Section Leader for the Third Battalion Aid Station, planned and aided in the operation of a forward aid station after the Saar River crossing. His small aid station was the only medical support available to the Third Battalion for a period of a week until adequate reinforcements could arrive. Acting as Section Leader, Aid Man, Litter Bearer, and Surgical Technician, Staff Sergeant STOCKELMAN worked tirelessly and skilfully with inadequate supplies, under heavy enemy shelling and having available only hazardous evacuation routes. His efficient planning and untiring devotion to duty reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant STOCKELMAN and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

JAMES B. BEAVOR, 15105760, Corporal, INF, Company M, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bon St. Martin, France. Transportation Corporal of an eighty-one millimeter mortar platoon, Corporal BEAVOR was loading a convoy four jeeps with trailers laden with ammunition when two of the vehicles were stopped by enemy fire from Fort Plappeville. By directing the transferral of the ammunition forward by hand, traversing ditches to a point where the shells could be loaded on the other two jeeps, Corporal BEAVOR brought the ammunition through at a crucial time, since the supply at the gun position was running dangerously low. Corporal BEAVOR'S splendid perseverance and resourcefulness reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Colorado.

GEORGE W. BIBLE, 34393594, Technician Fifth Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 3 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Technician Fifth Grade BIBLE risked his life many times to treat the casualties suffered by the Platoon to which he was attached. On one occasion, he gave first aid to wounded men near the Emsdorf school house, under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. Constantly and unhesitatingly he went to the aid of

every casualty in his Platoon. Technician Fifth Grade BIBLE'S courageous and conscientious performance of duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

WILLIAM M. CAYWOOD, 35576010, Private First Class, MD, Medical Detachment, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 2 December 1944 to 20 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Platoon Squad Leader. Private First Class CAYWOOD directed his squad through several fierce artillery barrages, evacuating casualties to the aid station through sniper-infested streets. He was never to be deterred from the efficient performance of his laborious duties by the presence of danger. His cool supervision under fire inspired the men working with him, enabling his squad to function with unusual excellence. Private First Class CAYWOOD'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

ELMER L. GOODWIN, 0412384, Captain, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 and 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Captain GOODWIN, Graves Registration Officer, ***Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by recovering the bodies of friendly soldiers under heavy machine gun and mortar fire near a captured bunker on Leipzig Farm. Knowing the effect the many bodies lying in full view would have on the troops occupying the bunker, Captain GOODWIN moved out among the shell craters and began recovering bodies under machine gun and mortar fire from both Fort Jeanne D'Arc and Fort de Guise. Wearing no identifying arm bands or insignia and therefore subject to enemy fire, Captain GOODWIN entered the fire-swept area time after time for two days and removed all bodies from the scene. The unusual courage displayed by Captain GOODWIN during this strenuous period reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

NEIL E. HUNKINS, 35411274, Technical Sergeant, (Tier Staff Sergeant), INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 11 November 1944, in the vicinity of Gravelotte, France. As a sixty millimeter mortar section leader, Technical Sergeant HUNKINS was assigned the mission of supporting a combat patrol. When he began using his only communication with the patrol - Radio - his Observation Post was viciously fired on by eighty-eight millimeter and machine guns. With shells bursting on and around the house in which he was located, he remained in his hazardous location, continuing to furnish the patrol the close mortar support it so desperately needed, until it had completed its mission successfully. Technical Sergeant HUNKINS' valorous devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

WILLIAM B. STAMPER, 35464643, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Staff Sergeant STAMPER was assigned the mission of returning five hundred yards through recently-captured streets containing enemy snipers and a few roving German patrols and leading forward a large group of reinforcements. After completing the mission, it was discovered that several men were missing from the group, and Staff Sergeant STAMPER volunteered to return and locate them. Moving through

the deserted streets, he found some of the missing who had become separated in the darkness. Returning twice more, he succeeded in rounding up the entire group. Staff Sergeant STANLEY'S extraordinary courage on this occasion reflects great credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

JEROME R. GIBBONS, 36359325, Staff Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Sagrlouy, Germany. When the First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment made its crossing of the Saar and was approaching the main suspension bridge, wires were discovered which were suspected of being connected to demolitions on or about the structure. Without hesitation, Staff Sergeant GIBBONS held each wire as the Battalion Commander cut it, thus forestalling any attempt by the Germans to destroy the bridge by electrical detonation. Accompanying the Battalion Commander to the north end of the bridge, Staff Sergeant GIBBONS helped maintain constant vigilance against enemy counter-attacks while the Companies moved into position. His heroic actions at this critical time reflect great credit on Staff Sergeant GIBBONS and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

EDWARD DONOHUE, 39023699, Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Separated from the Forward Command Post group of the Third Battalion after crossing the Saar River at Lisdorf Sergeant DONOHUE, with five other men, proceeded under scathing German shelling and machine gun fire until the remainder of the group was located in Ensdorf. Sergeant DONOHUE, at times wading in mud and chest-deep water, personally carried the power unit and extra batteries for the artillery radio over an unknown and uncharted route, carefully keeping his radio equipment dry. By his intrepid performance and high personal courage, Sergeant DONOHUE has reflected great credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from California.

RICHARD P. SHARON, 31260336, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. Separated from the Forward Command Post group of the Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment after crossing the Saar River at Lisdorf, Technician Fifth Grade SHARON, with five other men, proceeded under scathing German shelling and machine gun fire until the remainder of the group was located in Ensdorf. Technician Fifth Grade SHARON, at times wading in mud and chest-deep water, personally carried the artillery radio over an unknown and uncharted route, carefully keeping his radio equipment dry. By his intrepid performance and high personal courage, Technician Fifth Grade SHARON has reflected great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

ARTHUR J. HELM, 16093242, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company I, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 9 November 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

GEORGE F. POLANSKY, 35741332, Private First Class, INF, Company I, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

EDWARD M. STAUPER, 6860227, First Sergeant, INF, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 18 October 1944 to 21 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlouis, Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

OLIVER F. BOWGESSER, 16066008, First Sergeant, INF, Company K, **** Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 8 November 1944 to 15 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

LEO W. FRYE, 0543297, Chaplain, (Captain), Ch, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious service in connection with military operations, from 21 October 1944 to 2 January 1945, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOSEPH H. MATHIAS, W210861, 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 26 December 1944, in France. Entered military service from Illinois.

By command of Major General TWADDLE:

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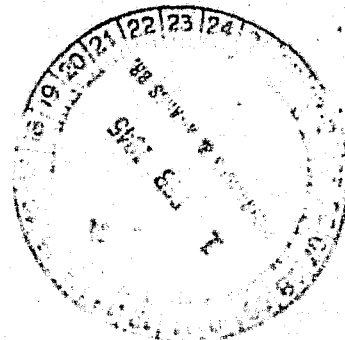
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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to:

PETER C. GRASSMAN, 39862918, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When all communication lines between the Second Battalion Command Post and its elements were severed by heavy enemy artillery fire, Private First Class GRASSMAN volunteered, along with another soldier, to carry messages back across the Saar River Bridge to his Company Command Post. During the day, the two men made eight trips across the bridge under the most severe artillery fire ever received by the Second Battalion. In the afternoon, while crossing the bridge under frightful shelling, Private First Class GRASSMAN was killed by flying fragments of an artillery shell. Private First Class GRASSMAN'S great personal courage and unusual devotion to duty have brought lasting honor on himself and on 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

MURLIN C. COX, 01296319, First Lieutenant, INF, Company A, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, from 16 November 1944 to 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. With only thirty-five men remaining after an armored counter-attack in the city of Immeldange, First Lieutenant COX reorganized Company A and continued toward Metz as a part of Task Force ****. In the assault on Metz and its great forts, First Lieutenant COX, on repeated occasions, braved intense enemy small arms, mortar and artillery fire to lead his men against strongly-held hostile positions. In one day of action, First Lieutenant COX and his depleted Company of thirty-five men took over two hundred prisoners. By his inspiring example of initiative, aggressiveness and great personal courage, First Lieutenant COX has brought distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

CHESTER R. NUNN, 6273179, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 18 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When the progress of Company G was being seriously impeded by withering enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class NUNN, seizing an automatic rifle from a fallen comrade, advanced on the well-emplaced machine

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gun post, firing the rifle in continuous blasts. His heroic strategy forced the hostile gun crew to abandon its position and withdraw to a nearby house where the Company captured eight of them. Private First Class NUNN'S valiant action, in thus enabling his Company to advance with a minimum of casualties, reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

JEROME S. DAUNHAUER, 35185988, Technical Sergeant, (When Staff Sergeant) INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Oberdorf, Germany. Technical Sergeant DAUNHAUER was advancing with his Platoon over an enemy machine gun's heavy fire at close range stopped the forward progress of the group and caused many casualties. After a hasty reconnaissance, Technical Sergeant DAUNHAUER accompanied by one man, crawled to within fifty yards of the emplacement, and from this point eliminated it. Although he was wounded during his bold sortie, he refused medical aid and continued to lead his Platoon until the objective was gained. Technical Sergeant DAUNHAUER'S superb courage and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

HERBERT WASSERMANN, 32902752, Private First Class, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. When the advance of the First Battalion, ****Infantry Regiment was seriously impeded by heavy machine gun fire from two enemy pillboxes, Private First Class WASSERMANN and two other engineer soldiers volunteered to attempt to destroy one bunker in a coordinated attack on the obstacles. With fifteen infantrymen providing covering fire, Private First Class WASSERMANN and his two comrades, all carrying large charges of explosives, crawled forward toward the pillbox until they were directly under the machine gun ports. Standing up, they placed the charges against the muzzles of the machine guns and detonated the explosives. Eight German soldiers within immediately surrendered, thus enabling the Infantry to continue toward its objective. The cool courage and conspicuous devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class WASSERMANN reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from New York.

GEORGE A. SIOK, 36509287, Technician Fourth Grade, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. While aiding in placing an Infantry-support bridge across the Saar River under severe enemy shelling, an engineer soldier, seriously wounded by a direct shell hit on the raft on which he was working, was swept downstream by the fierce current. Technician Fourth Grade SIOK, seeing the event from a fox hole on the river bank, rushed out into the murderous enemy fire, dived into the icy waters, and dragged his comrade to safety. His heroic action, performed with no thought of personal safety, reflects distinct credit on Technician Fourth Grade SIOK, and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

GEORGE F. MONTGOMERY, 31181829, Private First Class, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 4 and 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern-Roden, Germany. Private First Class MONTGOMERY and a companion, separated from the Infantry which they were accompanying, after carrying a wounded comrade into a house, observed a German patrol approaching. Assisting the other soldier carry the casualty down into the basement and leaving him on guard, Private First Class MONTGOMERY ran back upstairs.

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There he ran from window to window, calling loudly upon absent members of his squad to fire but firing himself for each man as he called. Completely deceived, the patrol withdrew. Private First Class MONTGOMERY was able to hold out for thirty-six hours until rescued by another wave of friendly Infantry. His brilliant resourcefulness and courageous perseverance reflect distinct credit on Private First Class MONTGOMERY and on the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

III. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-40, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to:

LAWRENCE S. GRINDLE, OLS15547, Second Lieutenant, INF, Cannon Company, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. When Company I, ****Infantry Regiment suffered heavy casualties from enemy twenty millimeter automatic gun fire, Second Lieutenant GRINDLE, exposing himself to this withering fire on the roof of a tall building, directed counter-fire on the enemy positions. His unerring adjustment of fire reduced enemy firing markedly, and permitted the Company to continue its advance successfully. A short time later Second Lieutenant GRINDLE gave up his life in another phase of this engagement. Second Lieutenant GRINDLE'S splendid courage has gained lasting credit for himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maine.

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 AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

JOHN J. KADLUB, 36353242, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of Guisingen, Germany. In the face of heavy machine gun, artillery and sniper fire, Technical Sergeant KADLUB skilfully deployed his Platoon and seized vital high ground which, emplaced with enemy machine gun positions, shielded Guisingen, under attack by Company E. Upon reaching his objective, Technical Sergeant KADLUB reorganized his Platoon and moved into the outskirts of the town. Here, his group captured fourteen prisoners and made junction with friendly elements. His courage and superior performance of duty reflect great credit on Technical Sergeant KADLUB and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

WALTER H. SOROKA, 36509337, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company M, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement 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. Technical Sergeant SOROKA, machine gun platoon sergeant, demonstrated on many occasions exceptional qualities of leadership and courage. At Maizieres-les-Metz, he took command of his Platoon with splendid results when the leader was lost. During a critical stage of the attack on Fort Gambetta, he took command of two platoons left leaderless, reorganized them, and laid the groundwork for a renewed attack. Placing always the welfare of his men above his own, Technical Sergeant SOROKA habitually requested no one to perform a mission he would not undertake himself. In all assigned missions, despite hazardous circumstances, he contributed heavily to the successful operation of his Platoon. Technical Sergeant SOROKA'S valorous conduct reflects

great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ AL A. ROYER, 37257316, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. When Company B was unable to move forward or withdraw in order to effect a reorganization due to intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire, Staff Sergeant ROYER organized a small rear guard action to cover the withdrawal of the Company. Cut off from communication with the rest of his Company, he deployed the men so cleverly and utilized all weapons so fully that the little squad was able to repulse several counter-attacks. Severe casualties were inflicted on the enemy. Staff Sergeant ROYER'S resolute action reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from South Dakota.

✓ WILLIAM J. MUNDY, 36507059, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Establishing a forward aid station about one hundred yards behind the attacking Second Battalion, Staff Sergeant MUNDY braved intense enemy mortar fire to assist the Battalion Surgeon care for the wounded throughout the night of 8-9 November 1944. The following morning, in order to give the advancing troops the closest medical support possible, he and two technicians, under fearful enemy shell fire, set up a new station in a barn situated directly behind the front lines. In this forward position, casualties were treated almost immediately after being wounded. Staff Sergeant MUNDY'S courage and superior performance of duty under fire reflect great credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ CLARENCE P. SADJEWSKI, 16108315, Technician Third Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Working in a forward aid station one hundred yards behind the attacking Second Battalion, Technician Third Grade SADJEWSKI assisted the Battalion Surgeon to care for the wounded throughout the night of 8-9 November 1944. The following morning he went out by jeep to evacuate the casualties of a Company widely separated from the rest of the Battalion. Finding twelve seriously wounded, he treated all casualties on the scene, giving blood plasma to those who required it. In spite of furious enemy fire, Technician Third Grade SADJEWSKI succeeded in evacuating all twelve casualties. His courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ VICTOR E. CRAMER, 37055316, Technician Third Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, from 8 November 1944 to 10 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Working in a forward aid station one hundred yards behind the attacking Second Battalion, Technician Third Grade CRAMER assisted the Battalion Surgeon to care for the wounded throughout the night of 8-9 November 1944. The next day when the flow of casualties had abated, he went out with a litter squad to bring in more wounded men. In one instance, he and his men crawled several hundred yards under heavy enemy machine gun and artillery fire to evacuate a seriously wounded man. Technician Third Grade CRAMER'S courage and untiring energy reflect great credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Missouri.

CLIFFORD O. SIMMONS, 37213172, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Third Cavalry, Cavalry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hagelers-les-Metz, France. In the attack on the Slag Pile, Private First Class SIMMONS, a wireman, advanced with the forward elements of his company. Although enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire was intense, wire communication was maintained. When a radio operator was seriously wounded, Private First Class SIMMONS assisted in his evacuation and immediately resumed his work. Private First Class SIMMONS' devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

ROBERT W. SWIFT, 35569934, Private First Class, INF, Company G, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 23 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When a violent attack on the Observation Post by numerically superior enemy forces caused a break in communications with the Company, Private First Class SWIFT volunteered to run a wire through to the Observation Post. Accompanied by two comrades, Private First Class SWIFT advanced nearly three hundred yards in the face of withering enemy fire and successfully restored the vitally needed communication. The security of the defensive positions held by the Company was thus insured. Private First Class SWIFT'S dauntless courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOSEPH F. GABER, 35526825, Technician Fourth Grade, INF, Company C, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Advancing into St. Barbara, Technician Fourth Grade GABER and his squad were subjected to severe enemy artillery fire. He immediately moved his squad into a house where he deployed the men to best advantage. In spite of repeated violent attacks by hostile armor and infantry, Technician Fourth Grade GABER directed his men with such coolness and courage as to repulse the enemy with deadly accurate fire. He thus contributed immeasurably to the success of Company C's operations in capturing and holding St. Barbara. Technician Fourth Grade GABER'S unflinching courage, skilful leadership and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ELROY J. RAUTMANN, 36247459, Technical Sergeant, Company F, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Emsdorf, Germany. Under bazooka, mortar and sniper fire, Technical Sergeant RAUTMANN reorganized and led a depleted rifle platoon after his platoon leader had been seriously wounded. The enemy was well emplaced in a series of fortified buildings, but the platoon, inspired by Technical Sergeant RAUTMANN'S bold leadership, moved forward to complete its mission. In this action, nineteen Germans were killed or wounded, and fourteen additional were captured. Technical Sergeant RAUTMANN'S courage and complete disregard for his own safety reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

JOHN M. SCHELLENBERG, 36643507, Private First Class, INF, Company B, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Private First

Class SCHELLENBERG'S Platoon had been advancing steadily when it began receiving deadly flanking fire from an enemy machine gun emplacement. Private First Class SCHELLENBERG began to work his way toward the position and, unseen by the enemy, approached to within fifteen yards of the machine gun nest. From this point, he threw several hand grenades into the emplacement, destroying it completely. Private First Class SCHELLENBERG'S valorous action reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

CILIMON E. RUYBAL, 37706998, Private, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 18 December 1944, in the vicinity of Esdorf, Germany. On three occasions, Private RUYBAL, a Company Aid Man, made his way through heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire to administer first aid to casualties. Disregarding his own safety, he ran from building to building, exposed to enemy observation and fire on two sides, giving help to his comrades wherever possible. Private RUYBAL'S heroic devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Colorado.

WILLARD E. SPANGLER, 32134004, Technician Third Grade, MD, Medical Detachment, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 3 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Technician Third Grade SPANGLER, attached to the assault elements of the First Battalion, was assigned the mission of establishing and maintaining a forward aid station on the east bank of the Saar River. Before setting up his station, he administered aid to casualties wounded in the bridgehead area, even though he was forced to work under constantly increasing enemy mortar and artillery fire. When he had cared for all the wounded, he proceeded to the site selected for the aid station and set it up quickly and efficiently. Technician Third Grade SPANGLER'S heroic service reflects great credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Texas.

SALVATORE S. CHERASO, 35316366, Private, INF, Company E, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. When a wounded soldier called for help, Private CHERASO and another soldier left their comparatively safe position and went out into a field covered by enemy mortar fire to aid the casualty. Disregarding the deadly enemy shelling, he and his companion placed the wounded man on a litter and evacuated him in their jeep to an aid station. The enemy's fire, always heavy, followed the vehicle's progress across the field until it finally escaped from his observation. Private CHERASO, by his valorous conduct in helping to save the life of a wounded man on this occasion, has brought great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

ARTHUR G. WOOD JR, 0404507, Captain, FA, Headquarters ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 27 November 1944, in the vicinity of Remering, France. When the leading Company of the Second Battalion which was moving in column near Remering received direct artillery and anti-tank fire, the column was split, and the troops could not gain cover. Captain WOOD, Artillery Liaison Officer, moved through the scathing fire to a haystack on the top of a ridge and directed effective counter-battery fire, even though his position was constantly

shelled. By his courageous action, the Battalion was enabled to continue toward Remberg with appreciably less casualties. Captain WOOD'S brave and skilful service reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

HAROLD D. CARTER, 15116615, Corporal, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. At great personal risk to themselves, Corporal CARTER and two other members of the Liaison Section installed and maintained a wire line from Lisdorf to Holzmuhle, the location of a forward switchboard. Constant heavy enemy shelling along the entire route resulted in many breaks in the line. Corporal CARTER was forced to patrol and repair the lines almost without rest, and on two occasions laid two new lines. Corporal CARTER'S unswerving loyalty and utter disregard for his own safety in the face of intense enemy barrages reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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*JOE D. HARDY, 34357625, Technician Fifth Grade, FA, Battery B, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Both during the attack on a fortified hill near Metz and after the objective had been taken, Technician Fifth Grade HARDY, member of the Forward Observer Section, laid wire and repaired lines constantly being severed during violent enemy artillery and mortar barrages. Through his superior performance of duty, artillery communication was maintained, and an enemy counter-attack on 15 November 1944 was consequently repelled. Technician Fifth Grade HARDY'S courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit on himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

LOY O. FASCHING, 39334986, Private, FA, Headquarters Battery, **** Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. At great personal risk to themselves, Private FASCHING and two other members of the Liaison Section installed and maintained a wire line from Lisdorf to Holzmuhle, the location of a forward switchboard. Constant heavy enemy shelling along the entire route resulted in many breaks in the line. Private FASCHING was forced to patrol and repair the lines almost without rest, and on two occasions laid two new lines. Private FASCHING'S unswerving loyalty and utter disregard for his own safety in the face of intense enemy barrages reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

FRANK P. NARDONE, 39174542, First Sergeant, GAG, Battery C, **** Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 6 December 1944 to 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. On many occasions during this period, First Sergeant NARDONE left his comparatively safe location and exposed himself to enemy artillery fire in order to secure rations, water and fuel for his Battery Command Post and evacuate casualties and prisoners of war. During a particularly heavy artillery barrage one shell burst rendered him unconscious. When, on 8 December 1944, higher headquarters ordered the Command Post to abandon its location and no officers were present at the time, First Sergeant NARDONE supervised efficiently the hasty loading and evacuation of personnel and equipment

under a large concentration of enemy artillery fire. The superb leadership, courage and devotion to duty reflected by First Sergeant NARDONE reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Washington.

ANTONIO PANETTA, 32461943, Sergeant, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Sergeant PANETTA'S 40 millimeter gun section, furnishing overhead protection for ground operations in the sector, was the target of an extremely heavy artillery barrage. Despite the continuous shelling, Sergeant PANETTA courageously led his men in the preparation of fortified emplacements. Even after these positions were completed, he continued making necessary improvements even though his actions brought him directly into the enemy's line of fire. His daring leadership and brave conduct in the face of the enemy reflect great credit on Sergeant PANETTA and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

ALBERT J. STRUBLE, 32462066, Sergeant, CAC, Battery C, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Lisdorf, Germany. Sergeant STRUBLE'S 40 millimeter gun section, furnishing overhead protection for ground operations in the sector, was the target of an extremely heavy artillery barrage. Despite the continuous shelling, Sergeant STRUBLE courageously led his men in the preparation of fortified emplacements. Even after these positions were completed, he continued making necessary improvements even though his actions brought him directly into the enemy's line of fire. His daring leadership and brave conduct in the face of the enemy reflect great credit on Sergeant STRUBLE and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

JAMES L. JONES, 6948384, Sergeant, (Then Corporal), FA, Company C, ****Tank Destroyer Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 5 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. In the action against Saarlautern Sergeant JONES acted as liaison between his Platoon and the Infantry Battalion it supported. Under devastating enemy artillery fire Sergeant JONES moved back and forth between his Platoon Command Post and the Infantry Command Post to obtain the target information needed for immediate direct fire by the Infantry. Due to his untiring efforts Tank Destroyers and Infantry were able to coordinate their efforts and enemy pillboxes were quickly and completely destroyed. Sergeant JONES' courageous devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

GEORGE E. RANDOLPH JR, 37681164, Corporal, FA, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On many occasions during the attack on Saarlautern Corporal RANDOLPH carried an SCR 610 radio on his back in order to maintain the communications necessary for our Artillery to give support to the Infantry. At one time a mission was being fired from an Observation Post in the attic of a building. Despite heavy fire from enemy artillery falling near the building Corporal RANDOLPH remained at his radio to maintain contact until the mission was completed.

Corporal RANDOLPH'S courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

ROBERT J. JURAN, 3693259, Private, FA, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 4 December 1944 to 10 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. On many occasions during the attack on Saarlautern Private JURAN carried an SCR 610 radio on his back in order to maintain the communications necessary for our Artillery to give support to the Infantry. At one time a mission was being fired from an Observation Post in the attic of a building. Despite heavy fire from enemy artillery falling near the building Private JURAN remained at his radio to maintain contact until the mission was completed. Private JURAN'S courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

MARVIN L. MC ALEXANDER, 01304760, First Lieutenant, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, 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 Tennessee.

HYMAN GENZER, W2114387, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 19 November 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from California.

FRANK J. TERRERI, 33409472, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company H, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 11 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

ROBERT W. SHUPE, 36061116, Staff Sergeant, INF, Service Company, ***Infantry Regiment, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 14 November 1944 to 29 December 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France and Saarlautern, Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

ROBERT T. LUDOLPH, 36246444, Technical Sergeant, 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 Wisconsin.

LOYLE R. BARRETT, 36437988, 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.

V. 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 20046, 16 October 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following:

GEORGE SAMMET JR, 0398765, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, ***Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in

aerial flight from 8 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

PAUL C. HOOD, 01184669, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight from 11 October 1944 to 18 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI. 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 following for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period indicated:

Service Company, 377th Infantry, during the period 1 November 1944 to 31 December 1944 performed in a superior manner the exceptionally difficult tasks which confronted it in combat operations. In addition to its normal functions Service Company conducted an orientation program for the Regiment's reinforcements and operated a rest area for the rehabilitation of physically exhausted soldiers. 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 or absence without leave occurred during the period involved. The resolute devotion to duty given by the officers, warrant officers and enlisted men of Service Company was integral to the combat achievements of the 95th Infantry Division during this period and is a distinct credit to them to the military service.

Service Battery and Medical Detachment, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, performed in a superior manner exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 1 July 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 or absence without leave occurred during the period involved. The resolute devotion to duty given by all personnel of Service Battery and Medical Detachment, 359th Field Artillery Battalion, substantially aided the combat operations of the 95th Infantry Division during this period.

Headquarters and Headquarters and Service Company, 320th Engineer Battalion, including Medical Detachment, 320th Engineer Battalion performed in a superior manner exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 20 October 1944 to 31 December 1944. Devotion to duty given by officers, warrant officers and enlisted men was enthusiastic and undeviating. Execution of orders was prompt and efficient. A high standard of discipline was continually maintained. The practice of military courtesy was at all times exact. Personnel maintained a neat appearance and equipment and installations were kept clean. No venereal disease or absence without leave occurred during the period involved. The contribution of Headquarters and Headquarters and Service Company, 320th Engineer Battalion, including Medical Detachment, 320th Engineer Battalion, was integral to the combat success of the 95th Infantry Division and reflects distinct credit on the military service.

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I. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR: By direction of the President, and under the provisions of AR 600-43, as amended, and Ltr. Hq. IX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded posthumously to the following:

HOWARD J. FOHL, 0360432, First Lieutenant, INF, Company F, ***In-
fantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 23 November 1944, in the vicinity of Hammelfangen, Germany. First Lieutenant FOHL'S Platoon was being harassed by severe enemy machine gun fire, which had halted the Platoon's advance. Observing the well exposed gun two hundred yards on his left flank, First Lieutenant FOHL left his men protected by cover and started out alone to silence it. Before he could reach his objective, he was mortally wounded by enemy fire. His Platoon, witness to this courageous action, arose from its covered position and, using harassing fire destroyed the machine gun, killed five enemy soldiers, and captured twenty. First Lieutenant FOHL'S inspiring gallantry has brought lasting honor on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

STANLEY J. KLASZCZYK, 36600815, Technician Fourth Grade, MD, Medical De-
tachment, 95th Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, on 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarclartern-Roden, Germany. From his point of vantage in a factory building, Technician Fourth Grade KLASZCZYK observed a soldier fall, seriously wounded, on the battlefield nearby. Disregarding his own safety completely, he moved out into the highly dangerous area to treat the wounded man. While ministering to the casualty under the fearful shelling, Technician Fourth Grade KLASZCZYK himself was killed by enemy fire. Technician Fourth Grade KLASZCZYK'S superb gallantry, inspiring to all who witnessed it, reflects enduring honor on himself and on the Medical Department. 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 Ltr. Hq. IX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Silver Star is awarded to the following:

FREDERICK C. COHN, 0555190, Second Lieutenant, AJS, Headquarters Mili-
tary Intelligence Service, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, (a earned this Headquarters), for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 12 and 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarclartern-Roden, Germany. Second Lieutenant COHN unhesitatingly volunteered to advance alone to seek the surrender of a heavily fortified enemy pillbox. Fully aware of the dangers involved, he moved two hundred

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yards forward to the enemy position, over almost barren ground and entirely open to hostile action. Approaching a door of the bunker and in constant danger of being shot from one of the gun ports, Second Lieutenant COHN, speaking German, urged the soldiers inside to surrender. In response, the Germans immediately laid down their arms. The following night, Second Lieutenant COHN volunteered for a similar mission. Accomplished under the same conditions as on the previous night, his 3rd venture was again highly successful. Second Lieutenant COHN'S splendid courage, which resulted in capturing ten prisoners and enabling the infantry to continue on toward its objective, reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

RAYMOND J. ALBANO, O200024, Second Lieutenant, (Then Technical Sergeant), INF, Company L, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 16 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the attack on Fort Gerbetta, Second Lieutenant ALBANO'S platoon was unable to advance due to sweeping enemy machine gun and artillery fire. Securing a bazooka from one of his men, he crawled to within range of the machine gun and with one round, knocked out both crew and gun. Then observing an eighty-eight millimeter gun firing on his position, he made his way to a ditch eighty-five yards from the gun. With two rounds from the bazooka he eliminated the gun and crew. When it became necessary to withdraw the remaining forces of Companies F and L due to heavy losses, Second Lieutenant ALBANO organized and directed the withdrawal under continued heavy mortar and eighty-eight millimeter fire. His gifted leadership and unusual courage reflect distinct credit on Second Lieutenant ALBANO and on the military service. Entered military service from Idaho.

RAYMOND W. SPRADLING, 15015029, Private First Class, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 9 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. Private First Class SPRADLING after valiantly crossing the swollen Moselle River under violent enemy artillery and mortar fire with a boatload of ammunition, aided in the unloading of the cargo and carrying it to the gun positions. In this action, the officer in charge of the detail was killed, but Private First Class SPRADLING was undaunted and continued his laborious task. On the return trip across the river, the boat in which Private First Class SPRADLING was evacuating casualties was hit by an artillery shell as it neared shore and he and a wounded officer were the only survivors. Although grievously injured by the explosion, he carried the officer to the aid station and refused treatment until the officer had been treated. Private First Class SPRADLING'S heroic devotion to duty reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

HAROLD L. KEITH, 372102, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Company I, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Malzeville-les-Bains, France. While shuttling ammunition to an attacking Rifle Company, Technician Fifth Grade KEITH'S jeep received a direct hit by an enemy eighty-eight millimeter shell. When the jeep was hit, Technician Fifth Grade KEITH sought shelter behind a cemetery wall to escape continued hostile firing. When, however, he ascertained that the badly-needed ammunition would be destroyed by the flames consuming the jeep, he left his place of shelter, disengaged the loaded trailer, and pushed it away to a safe position. Then he returned to secure another jeep and intrepidly completed his mission. Technician Fifth Grade KEITH'S resolute devotion to duty and fearless conduct under fire reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

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:

ARLIE P. CARLTON, 35466845, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private First Class), E7, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. While leading a patrol against a well fortified enemy pillbox; Staff Sergeant CARLTON and his group, advancing in a trench, were cut off by six German soldiers to the rear and eight Germans forward. Using rifle and hand grenades, he killed or wounded several of the rear enemy group. The remaining Germans fled in disorganized retreat back to their own lines. Turning his attention to the enemy ahead of him, Staff Sergeant CARLTON led his men in an attack, and the German attempt at encirclement was converted into a complete rout. At this point thirty enemy soldiers marched out of the pillbox and surrendered, obviously convinced that further resistance against such an intrepid group was useless. Staff Sergeant CARLTON'S fearless and inspiring leadership reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

JOSEPH BASISTA, 35316518, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company B, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 6 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. After occupying one enemy pillbox, Technical Sergeant BASISTA'S Platoon was being subjected to heavy rifle fire from another bunker. With utter disregard for his personal safety Technical Sergeant BASISTA, standing in the very door of the pillbox, radioed fire orders to supporting Tank Destroyers. Despite the hail of bullets falling around him, he continued to correct range and deflection until the enemy stronghold was reduced to a shambles. Technical Sergeant BASISTA'S sterling courage in eliminating this menace to the Saar River bridgehead reflects great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

HILMER R. GUST, 36204136, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 16 December 1944, in the vicinity of Ensdorf, Germany. The Command Post of Technical Sergeant GUST'S Platoon was under attack by two German bazooka teams. Creeping into an adjacent hallway, he observed one enemy gunner placing his weapon in position to fire. Acting swiftly and coolly, he destroyed all members of this team before any damage was done, and directed the action which resulted in the capture of the other hostile group. Technical Sergeant GUST, by his brave leadership and high personal courage has brought great credit on himself. His actions exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

WILLIAM F. WHITEHEAD, 6116971, First Sergeant, (then Sergeant), INF, Company I, ****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 Juaine D'Arc and de Guise, First Sergeant WHITEHEAD 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. First Sergeant WHITEHEAD'S 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 Washington.

JOSEPH P. GARVEY, 11103854, Sergeant, (Then Technician Fifth Grade), LD, Company A, ****Medical Battalion, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In the face of direct sniper fire and under heavy mortar shelling Sergeant GARVEY directed his litter squad in an evacuation mission with conspicuous courage. His intrepid conduct under intense enemy fire encouraged his men to persevere throughout the day in their hazardous mission of removing the wounded from the bank of the Moselle River near Metz. The staunch leadership displayed by Sergeant GARVEY on this occasion reflects distinct credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Medical Department. Entered military service from Connecticut.

ROBERT C. WELLS, 35411257, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. While on guard near the Saar River Bridge, Staff Sergeant WELLS saw an enemy patrol set fire to a jeep with the obvious intention of luring him away from his post. Alone, he attacked the enemy group with hand grenades, injuring several soldiers. Continuing his one-man assault with rifle fire, he killed another German and routed the others. Frustrating what apparently was an attempt to destroy the vital bridge, Staff Sergeant WELLS, by his resourcefulness and courage, has reflected great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

THEODORE P. MAJESZ, 36355611, Staff Sergeant, (Then Sergeant), INF, Company D, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 4 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Staff Sergeant MAJESZ, Machine Gun Section leader, witnessed heavy enemy artillery fire account for his platoon leader, platoon sergeant and all but six enlisted men while the Platoon was supporting Rifle Companies defending the Saar River bridgehead. Quickly organizing the few men left, he threw his machine guns into position and continued to furnish the vital support. During the night, several enemy patrols were routed by fire from his weapons. Staff Sergeant MAJESZ' resourceful and aggressive conduct at this difficult time reflects great credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

ELWARD K. COGGESHALL JR, 11121115, Private, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When two volunteers were requested to infiltrate the enemy lines surrounding the First Battalion near Fort Jeanne D'Arc and establish contact with the Second Battalion, Private COGGESHALL and another rifleman volunteered unhesitatingly. Although his companion was killed in attempting to pass through the enemy lines, Private COGGESHALL succeeded in infiltrating, only to find that the Second Battalion had not yet reached its objective. With his feet badly frost bitten by this time, he was forced to hide in a nearby house for two days until he was able to rejoin his unit. Private COGGESHALL'S courage and intrepid devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

GEORGE M. FUERMANN, 01302573, First Lieutenant, INF, ****Infantry Regiment, (Special Duty, Headquarters 95th Infantry Division), for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October

JAMES F. NICHOLS JR, 0555444, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 26 November 1944 to 13 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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VII. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders, Number 10, dated 13 January 1945, this Headquarters, as pertains to CARL W. FERRIER, 36507628, Corporal, CE, Company C, ****Engineer Battalion, 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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VIII. AMENDMENT: So much of General Orders, Number 13, dated 16 January 1945, this Headquarters, as pertains to ARTHUR C. WOOD JR, 0404507, Captain, FA, Headquarters ****Field Artillery Battalion, 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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1944 to 31 December 1944, in France, entered military service from Texas.

LAX E. JOHNSON, 35706401, Corporal, FA, Battery G, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 12 August 1944 to 20 December 1944, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

ROBERT A. HINK, W2108720, Warrant Officer Junior Grade, USA, Headquarters 5th 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 California.

IV. AWARD OF FIRST 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 previously awarded, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to:

HENRY W. KEDING, O1170445, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 6 December 1944 to 29 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

V. AWARD OF SECOND 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 one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal previously awarded, a second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

RAYMOND P. LARIE, O1167528, Captain, FA, Headquarters Battery, 95th Division Artillery, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 16 November 1944 to 16 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

EDWARD G. ENGELHART, O1182357, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 16 November 1944 to 18 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

VI. AWARD OF THIRD 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 two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal previously awarded, a third Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

WILLIAM G. ALCOEN, O1166656, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 4 December 1944 to 26 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

WILLIAM K. STRICKLIN, O1182723, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 1 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

JAMES F. NICHOLS JR, O555444, First Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 26 November 1944 to 13 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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

✓ PERSHING V. HOLM, 37286322, Staff Sergeant, MD, Medical Detachment, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action, from 7 November 1944 to 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Uckange, France. After crossing the raging Moselle River under vicious artillery and small arms fire, Staff Sergeant HOLM set his squad to treating the wounded and digging trenches. Realizing that further evacuation of casualties was imperative, he, with great difficulty, secured a boat in which the wounded were carried to the aid station across the river. After sixteen consecutive hours attending casualties and with medical stores almost exhausted, he crossed the river, procured a boatload of supplies and essayed the perilous crossing once more. In mid-stream his boat, receiving a direct hit, sank immediately. Only by desperate effort was Staff Sergeant HOLM able to swim back to safety against the icy current. Unable to make another crossing, he rejoined his Battalion Aid Station and continued to help treat his suffering comrades. Staff Sergeant HOLM'S superb courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and on the Medical Department. Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ WALTER R. DILLS, 36050042, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company H, **** Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Technical Sergeant DILLS and a heavy machine gun section supporting Company F in the attack on Fort Illange were subjected to devastating enemy mortar fire. Although one squad lost four men and Technical Sergeant DILLS himself was hit by shrapnel, he reorganized his section and continued to attack. Fighting throughout the engagement with a painful wound, he refused medical aid, and remained with his Platoon rather than be evacuated as a casualty. Technical Sergeant DILLS' courageous leadership and inspiring devotion to duty reflect distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ EDWARD M. SHERMAN, 31454329, 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. When the approach of Private First Class SHERMAN'S combat patrol, assigned the mission of clearing the enemy from a wooded knoll, was discovered by a sentry dog, quick and decisive action was necessary. Advancing boldly toward the knoll, in the face of machine gun bursts, Private First Class SHERMAN, undaunted by observing the wooded spot to be a cleverly

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concealed pillbox, silenced the German riflemen outside the bunker with rifle and grenades. Engineer soldiers pushed forward and detonated a heavy explosive charge, which blew away the pillbox door. Before the smoke cleared, Private First Class SHIMMAN dashed inside and, covering the dazed enemy troops, forced their surrender. The great personal courage displayed by Private First Class SHIMMAN on this occasion reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

✓ EDWARD G. ECOSKOONI, 31410899, Staff Sergeant, (Then Private), INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During an attack on Fort Joanne where his Company was suffering heavy casualties from an enemy machine gun, Staff Sergeant ECOSKOONI unhesitatingly began crawling toward the emplacement in an effort to destroy the gun. Under small arms and machine gun fire, he approached to within a few yards of the enemy position and, although the Germans were firing directly at him, threw two hand grenades, which killed four of the enemy soldiers in the emplacement. Advancing closer, Staff Sergeant ECOSKOONI destroyed the sole surviving German with rifle fire. Staff Sergeant ECOSKOONI'S courageous action, enabling his Company to continue its advance, reflects distinct credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

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 posthumously to the following:

WALTER J. MAZUR, 36358649, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 8 December 1944, in the vicinity of Fraulautern, Germany. When his squad was held up by machine gun fire from a house, Sergeant MAZUR deployed his men and ordered small arms fire on the building. While making his way toward the house while covered by his squad fire, he was mortally wounded by fire from the machine gun he sought to eliminate. Inspired by his gallant sacrifice, his men moved forward, captured the stronghold and its garrison of fifteen soldiers and continued on toward its objective. Sergeant MAZUR'S valiant devotion to duty reflects lasting credit on himself and exemplifies the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ ROBERT S. PRIOR, 15132315, Private First Class, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 14 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. When two volunteers were needed to attempt an infiltration of enemy lines surrounding the First Battalion, Fort Joanne D'Arc and seek to establish contact with the Second Battalion, Private First Class PRIOR and another rifleman stepped forward without hesitation. In attempting to carry out his desperate mission, Private First Class PRIOR was apprehended and mortally wounded. His valorous action and immeasurable devotion to duty reflect lasting credit on Private First Class PRIOR and on 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 Ltr. Hq. XX Corps, File AG 200.6, 16 October 1944, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following:

FRANK A. WEISER JR, 16065912, Staff Sergeant, INF, Company G, ****In-

fantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 29 November 1944, in the vicinity of St. Barbara, Germany. Under very heavy enemy fire and repeated enemy counter-attacks, Staff Sergeant WEISER, although suffering from physical exhaustion, doggedly continued operating his SCR 300 radio, maintaining vital communications between his Company and Battalion Headquarters. Later, cut off from the rest of the Company by a hostile counter-attack, Staff Sergeant WEISER did not discontinue his work until capture was imminent. Only then did he cease operations and carefully conceal his valuable radio in a nearby ditch. Escaping from a negligent guard after being held only a few hours, he immediately recovered his radio, rejoined his Company and re-established the necessary communications. Staff Sergeant WEISER'S high courage and outstanding resourcefulness reflect great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ HENRY M. HALSTED, 42012817, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. When the Second Battalion Observation Post was attacked by a German patrol, Private First Class HALSTED and a comrade flanked the enemy and, using marching fire, aided in routing the patrol. Later the same day another enemy patrol attempted to destroy the Observation Post. Although heavily outnumbered, Private First Class HALSTED and his colleague again met the attack aggressively and succeeded in defending the position until a platoon of riflemen arrived to rout the hostile patrol. Private First Class HALSTED'S aggressive conduct and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

✓ WALLACE R. WALKER, 35486010, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, First Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 November 1944, in the vicinity of Bertrange, France. Under direct enemy observation and highly accurate enemy eighty-eight millimeter fire, Private First Class WALKER and another comrade marched thirty-one German prisoners out of Bertrange to be evacuated across the river, by the time the group reached the Moselle, shells were landing less than one hundred yards away. Speaking no German but displaying forceful leadership, Private First Class WALKER succeeded under vicious fire in loading twelve prisoners into an assault boat and began the hazardous crossing. Shells continued to pelt the boat throughout the crossing, spraying shrapnel all over the area, but he maintained his control over the prisoners. The boat and its occupants were landed safely. Private First Class WALKER'S cool courage on this occasion reflects great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ ARTHUR SNYDER JR, 42042017, Private First Class, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 30 November 1944, in the vicinity of Itzbach, Germany. When the Observation Post of his Battalion Commander was attacked by an enemy patrol Private First Class SNYDER and a comrade marched boldly on the German force and routed it with their accurate fire. Later that same day another enemy patrol attempted to destroy the Observation Post. Although heavily outnumbered Private First Class SNYDER and his comrade again met the attack aggressively and succeeded in defending the position until a platoon of riflemen arrived to rout the hostile patrol. Private First Class SNYDER'S aggressive conduct and courageous devotion to duty reflect great credit on him and on the mili-

tary service. Entered military service from New York.

✓DONALD C. MARTIN, 33443430, Technician Fifth Grade, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 13 November 1944 to 20 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. During the period 13 November 1944 to 20 November 1944 Technician Fifth Grade MARTIN distinguished himself by the courageous and skillful manner in which he participated in the installation and maintenance under fire of wire communications between Madziere les Metz and the outposts of the 2nd Army. On one occasion, at Mospilly, Technician Fifth Grade MARTIN led his wire team under intense enemy fire to a forward position from which they could observe and direct friendly mortar fire onto German mortars whose shelling had impeded an infantry attack. The daring initiative and resolute devotion to duty under hazardous conditions displayed by Technician Fifth Grade MARTIN reflect great credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

✓WILLIAM H. MATHER, 35316072, Sergeant, INF, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Second Battalion, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 19 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. In order to re-establish communications with elements of the Second Battalion across the flooded Moselle River Sergeant MATHER crossed the river with wire in an assault boat under a hail of mortar, machine gun and rifle fire. As a result of Sergeant MATHER'S superb technical skill and steadfast devotion to duty the Battalion Commander was able to remain in contact with the attacking elements at all times. Sergeant MATHER'S intrepid conduct under fire reflects great credit on him and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

✓VIRLIMAN L. SCOGGINS, 35485696, 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 SCOGGINS' Platoon was making steady progress when it began receiving fire from the enemy windows of a house nearby. Along with two other men, Staff Sergeant SCOGGINS 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 SCOGGINS' 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 Kentucky.

✓HENRY A. MORRIS, 34445716, Private First Class, INF, Company K, ***Infantry Regiment, for heroism in connection with military operations against the enemy, on 13 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Private First Class MORRIS' Platoon was attempting to clear the enemy from a building, but the Germans' effective covering of all doors and windows was stalling the attempt. With complete disregard for his own safety, he stood in an open window in plain view of the enemy and began firing. Although he received a leg wound, he succeeded in killing three German soldiers and enabled the Platoon to move on through the building. Private First Class MORRIS, by his fearless actions on this occasion, has reflected great credit on himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

✓ ROY R. MURRAY, 34603535, Sergeant, OAC, Battery B, ****Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 November 1944 to 25 November 1944, in the vicinity of Metz, France. Entered military service from North Carolina.

✓ EDWARD F. WOLLIK, 36352865, 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 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ STANLEY A. BERGLSON, 32898714, Private First Class, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

✓ EARL F. LATYK, 36355266, Technical Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ DONALD W. ROSEBERRY, 36247312, Staff Sergeant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy, from 20 October 1944 to 1 January 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

✓ JOSEPH C. SITTER, 36397151, Sergeant, 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 and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

✓ HOWARD P. ELLIOTT, 025445, Captain, FA, Battery A, ****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 Utah.

✓ RONALD T. FERGUSON, 01165494, Captain, FA, Service 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 Michigan.

IV. AWARD OF THIRD 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 two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal previously awarded, a third Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to the following:

✓ GEORGE L. FERLICK, 01184128, First Lieutenant, FA, Battery A, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 7 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ GORDON A. EGGENSTOSS, 00798, Second Lieutenant, FA, Headquarters Battery, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 3 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in Germany.

Entered military service from Minnesota.

✓ HOWARD J. HUTZ, O1175298, Second Lieutenant, FA, Battery C, ****Field Artillery Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, from 8 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from New Mexico.

V. 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 following for superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty during the period indicated:

Service Company, 378th Infantry performed in a superior manner the exceptionally difficult tasks which confronted it during the period 13 October 1944 to 31 December 1944. Despite the aggravation to blackout driving of poor roads and inclement weather the Company accomplished the difficult mission of supply without the occurrence of a serious vehicle accident. In addition to the outstanding performance of its normal functions Service Company participated aggressively in fighting which covered the Regiment's advance on Metz. A high standard of discipline was evident in the conduct of all personnel under the extremely hazardous circumstances of battle. No venereal disease or absence without leave occurred during the period involved. The resolute devotion to duty given by the officers, warrant officers and enlisted men of Service Company was integral to the combat achievements of the 95th Infantry Division during this period and is a distinct credit to them and to the military service.

By command of Major General TWADLE:

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

RICHARD S. SPARROW, 0528410, First Lieutenant, (Then Second Lieutenant), INF, Company G, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 15 November 1944, in the vicinity of Fort Illange, France, when the advance of his Platoon on Fort Illange was obstructed by barb wire First Lieutenant SPARROW moved forward to cut the entanglement while so engaged German mortar fire began to fall on his Platoon. Heavy casualties were suffered and the Platoon verged on disorganization when First Lieutenant SPARROW returned through the intense shelling to encourage his men. Exercising staunch leadership he regrouped his command and stormed and took the pillbox which had been directing the devastating mortar fire. First Lieutenant SPARROW'S fearless action and outstanding leadership reflect great credit on him and exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

LOMIE E. JONES, 3733 1707, Technical Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 5 December 1944, in the vicinity of Saarlautern, Germany. Leading his Platoon in an attack on a strongly held enemy pillbox, Technical Sergeant JONES and his men moved slowly forward toward the bunker under severe machine gun fire. Suddenly a German flare lit the whole area and disclosed the Platoon's location. At this critical juncture, Technical Sergeant JONES charged ahead, firing furiously, driving the enemy soldiers posted outside the bunker from their trenches and bringing them down with his accurate rifle fire as they ran. Engineer soldiers, advancing on his heels, were able to place heavy charges around the pillbox and detonate them. Technical Sergeant JONES and his men then entered the bunker, capturing eight Germans, a seventy-five millimeter howitzer and much equipment. The extreme courage displayed by Technical Sergeant JONES on this occasion reflects distinct credit on him and on the military service. Entered military service from Colorado.

THOMAS M. GATLIN JR, 38072662, Sergeant, INF, Company F, ****Infantry Regiment, for gallantry in action against the enemy, on 1 January 1945, in the vicinity of Werbeln, Germany. Sergeant GATLIN'S mortar squad while concentrating fire on an enemy machine gun holding up his Company's advance, was fired on by another machine gun. Moving his squad to defilade, he crawled out on the fire-swept field and brought successful mortar fire on the original target. Sergeant GATLIN then proceeded to locate the other hostile gun position which he discovered was out of mortar fire range. Crawling along a wall of the house in which the machine gun was located, he approached to within a few yards and lobbed grenades

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