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Private First Class John R. McCoy (then Private), 35593368, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 4, Section I, Circular 2, Headquarters First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Captain John G. Bushman, 0418775, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant Richard M. Grant, 0547343, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant George E. Lahn, 02047035, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 3 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant Richard E. Staley, 01030720, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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First Lieutenant Herbert J. Staub, 101184302, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Second Lieutenant Alfred F. Johnson, 01013931, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Third Grade Harold W. Hendricks, 33456556, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant LeRoy W. Peterson, 33308364, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Chester Lewinski, 36336752, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade Wallace C. Dawson, 36337514, 799th Ordnance Company, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Preston J. Elkins, 39552433, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Milton G. Heinz, 35523564, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Frank X. McLaughlin, 32483107, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Wallace E. Minnick, 39275382, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

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General Order #26, Div Hq, 99th Inf Div, dated 15 April 1945, continued,

Private First Class James H. Olinger, 35593715, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Cesar Pacheco, 36257558, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class James R. Woodward, 38600492, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class Guster Yeates, 34537303, 51st Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Private Floyd A. Clark, 36272167, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private Monroe I. Crawford, 39007352, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private Johanie O. Wilson, 35716744, 552d Engineer Heavy Pontoon Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

IV. REVOGATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section III, General Orders Number 19, 19 March 1945, pertaining to award of Purple Heart to Private First Class Edward A. Gotkiewicz, 33668700, 395th Infantry, is revoked.

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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (324TH MEDICAL BATTALION)—

Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 29 September 1944 to 29 March 1945.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 4, Section I, Circular 2, Headquarters First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Captain Ralph Greenberg, 01171166, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New York.

Captain Raymond V. Kohn, 01171234, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944 and 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant Bernard C. Mieszkowski, 6975464, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 December 1944 to 21 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Billy M. Faires, 38040611, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 10 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant Archie L. Peltier, 37089533, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 4 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade Harvey G. Cobb, 38040568, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 4 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade Ellis W. Gray, Jr., 33472547, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 10 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Wilbur L. Fogel, 33385537, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 December 1944 to 31 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade Theresa Maynard, 34465053, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 11 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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Technician Fifth Grade Howard O. Smith, Jr (then Private), 32735475, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December and 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade Wayne E. Work, 35710132, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 December 1944 to 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Tennessee.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 4, Section I, Circular 2, Headquarters First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Second Lieutenant Charles S. McNulty, Jr, 01178560, 370th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Sergeant A. C. Herrin, 34494686, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant Walter Midkiff, 35642375, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Edwin R. Dziekonski, 33400729, 370th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Herschel L. Sexton, 35570512, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Robert L. Beyer, 35550681, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Nelson C. Brocius, 33402535, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class William L. Ritz, 36126348, 370th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 24 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Ralph E. Shive, 33130374, 372d Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Alfred V. Verdecchio, 33471980, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class John J. Vicaro, 33483250, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section VII, General Orders 10, dated 30 January 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Corporal Carroll E. Wood, 33529191, 393d Infantry, is revoked.

V. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section I, General Orders 18, dated 18 March 1945, awarding the Silver Star Medal to Staff Sergeant John Burd, 33674153, 393d Infantry, United States Army, as reads: "AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD, POSTHUMOUSLY, OF SILVER STAR MEDAL".

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OK So much of Section VII, General Orders 10, dated 30 January 1945, as reads:
"Private First Class Levi P. Harbison, 35744198, 395th Infantry", is amended
to read: "Private First Class Levi P. Harrison, 35744198, 395th Infantry".

OK So much of Section II, General Orders 25, dated 12 April 1945, pertaining to the
award of the Purple Heart to Private Roy F. Putnam, 18248063, 393d Infantry,
as reads: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART", is amended to read: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF
CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART".

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 4, Section I, Circular 2, Headquarters First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant David H. Lukens, 01541190, 393d Infantry, United States Army, For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Sergeant Charles W. Reece, 38219506, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 July 1944 to 18 February 1945, in France and Belgium. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant Lloyd L. Adamson, 39275489, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 June 1944 to 14 February 1945, in France and Belgium. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant Rinaldo M. Traverso, 39105322, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 29 October 1944 to 14 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from California.

II. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 4, Section I, Circular 2, Headquarters First United States Army, 4 January 1945, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

~~REV. 24 CO # 34 -- 17 May 1945
Captain Malcolm C. Webber, 01010755, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 29 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.~~

Staff Sergeant Robert L. Craft, 17053548, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota.

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Staff Sergeant Wiloy T. Dorsey, 34975844, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant Ralph Miller, 5593243, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Charles E. Smith, 33152490, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

~~REV. 24 CO # 37 -- 17 May 1945
Sergeant John R. Hay, 37250698, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.~~

Sergeant Charles E. Martin, 33258295, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Technician Fourth Grade John B. Fields, 35689531, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal Harry S. Mabe, Jr., 33526657, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class John B. Bowen, 34591688, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Vernoy Cantrall, 16162387, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class William C. Galogar, 18147888, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class George M. Miller, 37482063, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class Frank A. Plummer, 34675426, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private Dennis Lightner, 33572441, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private William A. Sari, 42140096, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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~~Private Robert Y. Wix, 35907861, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.~~

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal Posthumously:

Second Lieutenant Ernest E. Woods, Jr., 0512875, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Sergeant Elmer P. Klug, 6826182, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Staff Sergeant George L. Flahe, 36107441, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class Frederick Woody, Jr., 35067801, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Thomas S. Bishop, 0403542, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain Neil Brown, 01295502, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 14 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

First Lieutenant James S. Morris, 01295644, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant Bill L. Shelton, 01292711, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class William D. Dalton, 34592381, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Frank O. Reudelhuber, 18107199, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

Captain Lack H. McLendon, Jr, 0387294, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

First Lieutenant Leroy F. Smith, 01300406, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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Technician Fifth Grade Earl W. Zuhl, 13170441, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Joseph Ziolkowski, 36861258, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

IV. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Captain Lack H. McLendon, Jr, 0387294, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

First Lieutenant Edward J. Williams, 01319960, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Second Lieutenant Henry E. Weathers, 02005425, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Second Lieutenant Joseph J. Willey, 02005304, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Utah.

Staff Sergeant Dolmar E. Runge, 16074332, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Third Grade Ben S. Bledsee, 19039576, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant Harold M. Jones, 32583789, 786th Tank Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Charles R. Merryman, 3553689, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade James A. Chesley, 33259100, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Louis W. Paul, 34464622, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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Technician Fifth Grade Earl W. Ruhl, 13170441, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade James O. Sewell, 34784101, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class Francis T. Brewster, 38353313, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Augustus D. Cosson, 34530816, 99th Military Police Platoon, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class William G. Decker, 35594082, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Thomas H. Driver, 33561193, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class William E. Pearson, 36688810, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Roddy Bryant, 34582141, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Peter V. Vasquez, 39592350, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class John L. Yorton, 32545807, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private Seymour L. Motin, 36958723, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Michael E. Sankovich, 19183636, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Montana.

Private Richard J. Sargeson, 31383919, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private Donald W. Schaberg, 37643893, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private Lewis E. Swain, 30112445, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Hawaii.

V. AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS:

So much of Section II, General Orders 27, dated 14 April 1945, pertaining to First Sergeant Edward S. Jarzel, 36003999, 394th Infantry, United States Army, as reads: "AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL".

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General Order #31, Div Hq, 99th Inf Div, dated 25 April 1945, continued.

So much of Section II, General Orders 27, dated 14 April 1945, pertaining to Sergeant George J. Haller, Jr, 33560922, 394th Infantry, United States Army, as reads: "AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL".

So much of Section III, General Orders 28, dated 15 April 1945, pertaining to First Lieutenant Herbert J. Staub, 01184302, 324th Engineer Battalion, as reads: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART", is amended to read: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART".

So much of Section II, General Orders 30, dated 17 April 1945, pertaining to Staff Sergeant Wiley T. Dorsey, 34975544, 395th Infantry, as reads: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART", is amended to read: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART".

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Master Sergeant George P. Reynolds, 17011372, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 13 February 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technical Sergeant Fred J. Gole, (then Staff Sergeant), 35524072, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant George D. Hall, 14085829, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 December 1944 to 13 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Technician Fourth Grade Ira E. Bladen, 33450846, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 13 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade Charles T. Broce, 33536999, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 13 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade William J. Meyers, 33482407, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1945 to 13 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Arthur Bauer, 36858350, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Private First Class Eugene V. Adams, 33038080, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Oak Leaf Cluster to Air Medal is awarded to the following officer:

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First Lieutenant J. C. Gaston, 01183529, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 14 January 1945 and 13 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

III. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following officers:

First Lieutenant Robert W. Kean, Jr., 0528786, Headquarters 99th Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 18 November 1944 and 5 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant James W. Ramsey, 01175282, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 25 November 1944 to 5 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

IV. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are posthumously awarded the Purple Heart:

Staff Sergeant Roy B. Ditcher, 32854605, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Vernon G. Sneed, 34864457, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

V. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART - MISSING IN ACTION: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man, missing in action, is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

Private First Class Robert J. Mesler, 33863963, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Michigan.

VI. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted man are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

First Lieutenant Leroy F. Smith, 01300406, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant John W. Brown, 02005305, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Idaho.

Technical Sergeant James H. McClain, 33493316, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VII. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

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Major William H. Beacham, 01295492, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Second Lieutenant William D. McGovern, 02047060, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant Lynn V. Kampfer, 39335876, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

Technical Sergeant Charles E. Williams, 18201399, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Staff Sergeant John H. Hill, 35593846, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant David J. Crouch, Jr., 7004895, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant Walter S. Emes, 33923030, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Walton H. Freese, 35718604, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Leo J. Roy, Jr., 36469250, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal Leon J. Gagnon, 31100830, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maine.

Corporal Robert J. Hart, 32608706, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Corporal George Jamison, 34631668, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Technician Fifth Grade Jessie B. Adams, 6988728, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade Maynard E. Dugan, 35385120, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade John L. Singletary, 38219738, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Beauford C. Elder, 34784497, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class Radford M. Carroll, 34812222, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

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Private First Class James E. Ellifrott, 38401511, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Dean D. Fletcher, 37692594, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Walter J. Hiler, 35349985, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Joseph J. Iacopelli, 42175378, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Eugene F. Lane, 39922565, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nevada.

Private First Class William J. McCarty, 36239929, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class Maxwell A. Rubin, 32964870, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class William A. Sigler, 35900819, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Howard H. Simpson, 34582151, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Sylvester J. Slubowski, 36651877, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Ramey L. Stevens, 36469259, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private George L. Hallberg, 37569745, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private Keith C. Marston, 31401092, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maine.

Private Richard E. Massey, 34868923, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private George W. McDaniel, 34868249, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private Casimir C. Runiewicz, 33296333, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 394TH INFANTRY)--Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Medical Detachment, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 14 November 1944 to 20 April 1945.

II. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Clenard M. Tate, 18148307, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by heavy automatic and sniper fire while laying siege to an enemy position, S Sgt Tate ordered a withdrawal and, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, remained behind to cover the movement. It was discovered after the platoon had withdrawn that two wounded men were left behind. S Sgt Tate immediately arranged artillery fire for a counter-attack and went to their rescue. In the process of removing the injured men, S Sgt Tate was fatally wounded in the neck. By his personal bravery and gallantry, S Sgt Tate brought credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Technician Fifth Grade W. A. N. Shelton, 34493072, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Technician Fifth Grade Shelton, company aid man, during a concentrated artillery and a hail of automatic and small arms fire, crawled 100 yards to the aid of two wounded men. Upon reaching the wounded men, Technician Fifth Grade Shelton proceeded to give superior medical treatment. On many occasions, Technician Fifth Grade Shelton rose to his knees in order to render more effective treatment. While evacuating these wounded men to a safe place, Technician Fifth Grade Shelton was mortally wounded by a sniper. Technician Fifth Grade Shelton's personal bravery reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted man are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Daniel W. Deal, (then Second Lieutenant), 01175094, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 28 December 1944, in Belgium. While acting as a forward observer with an infantry battalion, First Lieutenant Deal observed a large enemy attack getting under way. First Lieutenant Deal immediately called down a barrage of artillery fire. Although the enemy worked to within fifty yards of his position, First Lieutenant Deal continued to call more and more artillery upon their positions, then only thirty-five yards to the front of his position, until the enemy withdrew after suffering heavy casualties. The display of personal courage and bravery by First Lieutenant Deal reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

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Private First Class Monroe E. Garman, 35827124, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. When his company was held up by direct fire from an 88mm gun mounted on a vehicle, Private First Class Garman, on his own initiative, moved forward to neutralize this threat. After his assistant loaded his bazooka, he crawled forward in the face of heavy enemy fire and fired his one round into the self-propelled weapon, scoring a direct hit and rendering it useless. By his personal bravery and gallantry, Private First Class Garman brought credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Garland D. Kite, 0281456, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 July 1944 to 18 March 1945, in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Captain Stanley I. Lowe, 01687299, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Ola R. Parsley, 37348665, 535th AntiAircraft Artillery (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Colorado.

Technician Third Grade John N. Bergstrom, 39275405, 535th AntiAircraft (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fourth Grade Ross B. Jensen, 39906922, 535th AntiAircraft (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Utah.

Private First Class Donald S. Bradbury, 37234513, 535th AntiAircraft (Automatic Weapons) Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Albert D. Christensen, 39471985, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class Earnie E. Wallace, 35200077, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

V. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

First Sergeant Raymond A. Strickland, 6968028, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technical Sergeant Cletus C. Rendot, 35535806, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Sergeant William F. Johnson, 35642703, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal Frank P. Allie, 35566920, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal Tony T. Sotko, 36056075, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Leo F. Farley, 32692364, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Louis E. Hammond, 35675212, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Oakley A. Honey, 39552638, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Henry A. Lazzarella, 31191110, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Cliver R. Hawley, 35814275, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Paul E. Riley, 37702599, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Colorado.

Private First Class Elmer C. Stewart, 13170815, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VI. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section III, General Orders 28, 15 April 1945, pertaining to the Award of Purple Heart to Second Lieutenant Alfred F. Johnson, 01013931, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

So much of Section III, General Orders 28, 15 April 1945, pertaining to the Award of Purple Heart to Sergeant Chester Lewinski, 36336752, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

So much of Section III, General Orders 22, 31 March 1945, pertaining to the Award of Purple Heart to Technician Fifth Grade John A. Rankin, 35617420, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, is revoked.

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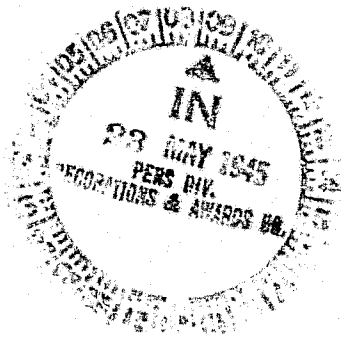
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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Sergeant Robert C. Dillon, 39333705, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy 16 March 1945, in Germany. As a result of withering automatic fire, Sergeant Dillon's platoon was pinned down. Seeing that his flanking element could not eliminate the enemy guns since they were held up by the same fire, Sergeant Dillon arose and began a marching fire toward the enemy installations. Sergeant Dillon's squad, inspired by their leader's disregard for his own personal safety, followed his heroic example resulting in killing one gun crew and routing the other. Sergeant Dillon's gallant action in the face of the enemy reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Eldon J. Bailey, 01307176, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 and 15 March 1945, in Germany. After leading his company 8,500 yards over treacherous terrain which was being relentlessly shelled by the enemy, First Lieutenant Bailey reached his objective. Although his company had fought for thirty-six hours without rest or food, a change in orders made it necessary for them to move forward in a new attack to capture a second objective. First Lieutenant Bailey, in leading his company, moved as close as twenty-five yards to the friendly artillery barrage which was smothering his approach. His brilliant leadership, fortitude and gallantry enabled his company to take their objective and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Oregon.

Second Lieutenant John F. Mannion (then Technical Sergeant), 02005344, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 December 1944, in Belgium. Second Lieutenant Mannion during a heavy enemy artillery barrage when communications were out, took command of the heavy weapons platoon and immediately coordinated the fire between machine guns and mortars. With utter disregard for personal safety, he crawled to within 100 yards of the enemy and by means of hand signals, directed fire on two machine gun nests with the result that they were annihilated. Second Lieutenant Mannion's personal bravery and gallant action brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

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Second Lieutenant Norman J. Zewe (then Sergeant), 02005419, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 and 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant George T. Little, 35571237, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade William Zelnick, 35744739, 393d Infantry. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal Joe Vargo, 35523446, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Milton J. Zmijewski, 33388081, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade Marshall Cleckley, 34581466, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade Irving A. Fowler, 16161391, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Walton H. Stevens, 3444377, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class Charles H. Hale, 34575130, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Russell L. Hoover, 36158621, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Walter A. Lichota, 33456835, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

Private First Class Bernard P. Wood, 35524005, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

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V. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Second Lieutenant Jerry W. Holloway, 02008525, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Kenneth L. Spitz, 36004729, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Leonard L. Shaffer, 33385764, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade Joseph A. Leksa, 33386601, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade Otto H. Loving, 33519030, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 19 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Morris Silver, 19119995, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Glenn C. Cline, 35642977, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Robert C. Styblo, 35827881, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Laurence F. Koch, 37679257, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

OK VI. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section II, General Orders 30, 17 April 1945, pertaining to award of Purple Heart to Captain Malcolm C. Webber, 01010755, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

OK So much of Section II, General Orders 30, 17 April 1945, pertaining to award of Purple Heart to Sergeant John R. Hay, 37250698, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

OK So much of Section III, General Orders 31, 25 April 1945, pertaining to award of Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart to Technician Fifth Grade Earl W. Ruhl, 13170441, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL LAUER:

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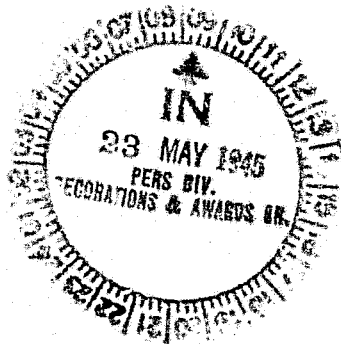
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BATTLE HONORS--FIRST BATTALION THREE NINETY FOURTH INFANTRY

Under the provisions of Section IV, War Department Circular 333 (1943) and Section III, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 26 April 1944, citation of the following unit, as approved by the Commanding General, First United States Army, is announced. The citation reads as follows:

The First Battalion, Three Ninety Fourth Infantry Regiment, is cited for outstanding performance of duty in action against the enemy during the period 16 to 18 December 1944, in Germany and Belgium. The German's Ardennes offensive was spearheaded directly at the First Battalion, Three Ninety Fourth Infantry Regiment, which was defending a front of three thousand five hundred yards and protecting the right flank of the Ninety Ninth Infantry Division. The enemy launched its initial attack against the First Battalion with an unprecedented artillery concentration lasting approximately two hours, followed by an attack of six battalions of infantry, supported by tanks, dive bombers, flame throwers, and rockets. For two days and nights the battalion was under intense small arms fire and continuous artillery concentrations, with little food and water, and no hope of replenishing a rapidly dwindling supply of ammunition. Knowing that reserves were unavailable, the men of this battalion, with indomitable spirit and confidence, repeatedly beat back the superior numbers of the enemy forces coming at them from the front, flanks, and rear. Many times the men rose out of their foxholes to meet the enemy in fierce hand-to-hand combat. Outnumbered six to one they inflicted extremely heavy casualties upon the enemy. By their tenacious stand, the First Battalion, Three Ninety Fourth Infantry Regiment, prevented the enemy from penetrating the right flank of an adjacent division, and permitted other friendly forces to reinforce the sector. The unflinching courage and devotion to duty displayed by the officers and men of the First Battalion, Three Ninety Fourth Infantry Regiment, and in the face of overwhelming odds was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

The First Battalion, Three Ninety Fourth Infantry Regiment, is entitled to the citation streamer. The individuals assigned or attached to this unit on the occasion for which citation was awarded are entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge. Individuals subsequently assigned or attached are entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge only as long as they remain with the unit.

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Frederick Wagner, 35523441, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon's advance was impeded by two enemy machine guns and an armored vehicle, Staff Sergeant Wagner maneuvered his squad into a draw leading to the armored vehicle. After eliminating enemy small arms fire in the vicinity of the armored vehicle, his squad was pinned down by fire from the vehicle itself. With complete disregard for personal safety, Staff Sergeant Wagner rose in full view of the enemy and opened fire. Following his example, his squad opened fire with tracer bullets setting fire to the vehicle, thus eliminating the obstacle. Staff Sergeant Wagner's courageous action reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Technician Third Grade John H. Lanier, 33528560, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 11 and 14 March 1945, in Germany. Under terrific shelling and bombing by the enemy of his unit's position, Technician Third Grade Lanier rendered first aid to the casualties sustained by his organization. He volunteered repeatedly as a litter bearer in evacuating wounded through shell-torn alleys and streets barely escaping serious injury or death in the performance of these missions. By his display of courage and fearlessness, Technician Third Grade Lanier saved the lives of many and brought great credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

III. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Private First Class Joseph H. Diehl, 13102340, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. On a scouting mission along with the second scout of his platoon, Private First Class Diehl crawled through an abandoned communication trench to investigate the source of enemy fire. The second scout crawled from the safety of the trench to locate the enemy position and was wounded. With disregard for personal safety, Private First Class Diehl crawled to his aid under a hail of small arms fire. Although fatally wounded himself, Private First Class Diehl carried his buddy to safety. This heroic act on the part of Private First Class Diehl brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

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IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Captain Arthur Mark, 0477466, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. While investigating an enemy road block with the infantry battalion commander, Captain Mark, Artillery Liaison Officer, and the infantry commander were subjected to enemy small arms fire, mortar fire and artillery fire. With utter disregard for personal safety, Captain Mark ran 50 yards to his jeep, in which was mounted a radio, and in a hail of automatic fire backed his jeep to safety where he succeeded in calling for and receiving artillery support. This act of gallantry allowed the infantry to advance to their objective and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Second Lieutenant Donald A. Maurer, 02005331, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 March 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an infantry outpost by superior numbers of the enemy, with utter disregard for personal safety, Second Lieutenant Maurer ascended to the top of a building and called for a heavy barrage of artillery. During this barrage, Second Lieutenant Maurer remained on top of the building amid a hail of enemy small arms fire and shell fragments and continued directing artillery fire. This heroic deed of Second Lieutenant Maurer reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Roman Czarnecki, 33403555, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945 to 8 March 1945, in Germany. In an attack on an enemy held town, Staff Sergeant Czarnecki's machine gun section was separated from the rest of the platoon. Staff Sergeant Czarnecki braved a hail of enemy fire and established contact. When ordered to fire on targets of opportunity, he exposed himself to enemy sniper fire, without regard for personal safety, and directed the fire of his section. After an enemy artillery concentration, Staff Sergeant Czarnecki, because of the lack of aid men, rendered first aid to many of the casualties and assisted in their evacuation. By these acts, Staff Sergeant Czarnecki has brought credit to himself and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Frederick R. Shipe, 36157074, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. With the problem of getting a convoy of trucks across a river bridge which was under a heavy enemy artillery barrage constantly, Staff Sergeant Shipe broke the convoy into groups of five vehicles and dispatched them at intervals between shell bursts. When the report was received that the bridge had been hit and was too dangerous to use, Staff Sergeant Shipe personally reconnoitered the bridge to determine the extent of damage. Deciding that by careful driving he could get the rest of the convoy safely across, he quickly dispatched them. With disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Shipe guided the last vehicle, the maintenance truck, across pointing out the dangerous spots. Staff Sergeant Shipe's courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant James F. Biggs, 35642713, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 and 4 March 1945, in Germany. On 3 March 1945 when it was necessary to use tanks in support of infantry in an attack on an enemy held position, Sergeant Biggs, Battalion Fire Chief, led his wire section under cover of the advancing tanks until two of the tanks were rendered useless by enemy artillery and small arms fire. With disregard for personal safety, he dismounted from his vehicle and amid enemy small arms fire carried the wire forward to the CP. Again on 4 March 1945, Sergeant Biggs, when it was necessary to lay wire across a stream constantly under enemy small arms and artillery fire, without hesitation took a line and crossed the stream. Sergeant Biggs' utter disregard for personal

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safety and devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant Richard E. Daugherty, 35525107, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 to 14 March 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an enemy held town when the enemy tried to reinforce their position, Sergeant Daugherty directed the fire of his machine gun so effectively that the reinforcements were not able to reach their positions. By this action his position was exposed to the enemy and drew machine pistol and flak gun fire. He moved his gun into the open, despite the heavy enemy concentration of fire and with disregard to his personal safety manned his gun in support of the rifle troops. The courage and devotion to duty shown by Sergeant Daugherty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Joseph T. Baratta, Jr., 13170781, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Corporal Baratta as Battalion messenger, was given the task of delivering an order from higher headquarters to his organization. Although the route he had to use was constantly subjected to enemy observation, artillery and small arms fire, Corporal Baratta accomplished his mission. On his return trip, Corporal Baratta, during a bombing attack, aided in freeing a stuck vehicle to prevent it from falling into enemy hands. The devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Baratta reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Tommie E. Baldwin, 34582057, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945, in Germany. While his unit, temporarily engaged in the mopping up of determined resistance, was under intense small arms and mortar fire, Private First Class Baldwin observed an enemy patrol armed with automatic weapons and bazookas advancing on the flank of his platoon. Disregarding his personal safety for that of his platoon, Private First Class Baldwin moved under heavy enemy small arms fire to an advantageous position and succeeded in annihilating the patrol. Private First Class Baldwin's alertness and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Wayne C. Dean, 39619959, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. During an assault on an enemy position by tanks and infantry, the lead tank on which Private First Class Dean was riding met with indirect fire of enemy tanks. With disregard for personal safety, he manned the machine gun mounted on top of the tank thus enabling other men to secure cover. He continued firing, using incendiary bullets, to point out many targets for counter-tank fire. Private First Class Dean's heroic action reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Montana.

Private First Class Herbert Kaetzal, 35718938, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 February 1945, in Germany. When one of the company, to which Private First Class Kaetzal was attached as aid man, walked into a mine field and was fatally wounded, Private First Class Kaetzal, without hesitation and disregard for his personal safety, crawled through thick snow to his aid. Forced to work in an icy stream, Private First Class Kaetzal rendered skilled aid and stopped the flow of blood so that the injured man could be evacuated. This gallant act and the devotion to duty shown by Private First Class Kaetzal reflect credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Clifton A. Young, 38668093, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Due to the lack of aid men in his company, Private First Class Young asked for and received permission to render aid to casualties in a heavily shelled area. Crawling forward he discovered many shock

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cases and with utter disregard for personal safety, crawled to the rear in order to secure blankets and other covers from nearby houses not yet cleared. He repeated this feat until all casualties were evacuated by litter bearers. Private First Class Young's untiring efforts and devotions to duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private Richard V. Harmon, 34966410, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. In order to secure cover from enemy machine gun fire, Private Harmon and the leading element of his company sought cover in an enemy tank trap. As the men crawled into the tank trap, another machine gun opened fire on their flank, filling the ditch with flying missiles of death. Remembering that two friendly tanks were in the near vicinity, Private Harmon, intent upon getting support from the friendly tanks, scrambled up the embankment and sprinted toward the tanks and secured their support. This heroic action performed by Private Harmon reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from South Carolina.

V. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

Private First Class Charles E. Brockway, 33537263, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

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* Private Richard M. Dukes, 33585627, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VI. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Technical Sergeant Lloyd G. Rogers, 35716647, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Joseph Azari, Jr., 36761641, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Robert E. Cassoday, 35571997, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Francis J. DeShane, 37019544, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Revoked by LtH 38 - May 13, 1945
* ~~Private First Class Warren G. Drake, 35073437, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.~~

Private First Class William J. Kennedy, 35574495, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Jack T. Lamphase, 33593201, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class Gillis Lawson, 35674185, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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~~Private Cecil L. Burke, 42084621, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.~~

Private Richard G. Eckhardt, 35908676, 372d Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

VII. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section II, General Orders 30, 17 April 1945, pertaining to the AWARD OF PURPLE HEART to Private First Class Verney Cantrell, 16162387, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

So much of Section II, General Orders 30, 17 April 1945, pertaining to the AWARD OF PURPLE HEART to Private Dennis Lightner, 33572441, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

So much of Section IV, General Orders 31, 25 April 1945, pertaining to AWARD OF PURPLE HEART to Technician Fifth Grade Earl W. Ruhl, 13170141, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, is revoked.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600.45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant David E. De Rose, 33472555, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. When his company's position was attacked by enemy tanks and infantry, Staff Sergeant De Rose withheld the fire of his machine gun section so as not to give away his position. When the enemy was observed placing a machine gun on the flank of his position, Staff Sergeant De Rose, with disregard to personal safety, crawled toward the enemy position and eliminated it with a hand grenade. Although wounded by this action, Staff Sergeant De Rose refused to be evacuated and a short time later, when enemy personnel began erecting machine guns to the front of his location, called for and received mortar fire within 10 yards of his gun emplacement. The gallant actions of Staff Sergeant De Rose reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Captain Robert F. Huson, 01172503, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 February 1945 to 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Charles E. Glazier, 35146447, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Joseph First, 35524539, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 18 March 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade William E. Bowman, 35689916, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 December 1944 through 22 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Douglas F. Condon, 17144712, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 8 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

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Technical Sergeant William H. Chandler, 33627432, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private Charles H. Perkins, 33528635, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

IV. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Lieutenant Colonel McClermand Butler, 0373122, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 24 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain Vinton H. Wright, 0550915, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

First Lieutenant Melvin R. Temmer, 01542743, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Colorado.

Technical Sergeant John R. Clutterbuck, 35674311, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 20 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant Philip Chustek, 12059682, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant Samuel F. Isgro, 35676247, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 4 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Third Grade Charles D. Lauffer, 35745068, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Third Grade Edward W. Pawloski, 37021548, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Sergeant Charles O. Binkley, 3441849, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant William J. Fromm, 37047185, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

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Sergeant Richard C. Talcott, 37666081, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade William O. Farrell, 35349299, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Albert J. Rybicki, 33406931, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Technician Fifth Grade William H. Strickland, 34581973, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade Kyle L. Thompson, 33651676, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Edwin N. Vacco, 33407100, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Joseph L. Allsbrook, 33886320, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class Jim W. Griffin, 34963217, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Howard E. Hamilton, 37751731, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Leroy Hunter, 38732984, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class Donald C. Reaser, 36865796, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Richard A. Rushin, 38669931, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private Cornelius Cobbs, 36791890, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Arvil C. Terry, 34984131, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private Kenneth L. Walker, 18035080, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Private John K. Watts, 39411061, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

OK V. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section II, General Orders 30, 17 April 1945, pertaining to the AWARD OF PURPLE HEART to Private Robert Y. Wix, 35907861, 786th Tank Battalion, is revoked.

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~~I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (MEDICAL DETACHMENT, 393D INFANTRY)--Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Medical Detachment, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 10 November 1944 to 31 March 1945.~~

II. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

First Lieutenant Robert E. Martin, 01300506, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 24 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technical Sergeant Heinz S. Burkart, 3471955, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Joseph J. Migot, 33259340, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Tommy C. Williams, 37622944, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant William S. Conlan, 32427228, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Corporal John J. O'Hara, 33315413, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class James W. Ayers, 34964017, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Dominick A. Belmonte, 2058680, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Raymond L. Leary, 34465430, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Ralph B. Lijewski, 33400938, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class Glen R. Moll, 38669864, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private Harry M. Bowling, 33856829, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private Vincent J. Kirrin, 35906155, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

OK III. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section VI, General Orders 36, 8 May 1945, pertaining to the AWARD OF PURPLE HEART to Private First Class Warren G. Drake, 35073437, 394th Infantry, is revoked.

OK So much of Section VI, General Orders 36, 8 May 1945, pertaining to the AWARD OF PURPLE HEART to Private Cecil W. Burke, 42084621, 394th Infantry, is revoked.

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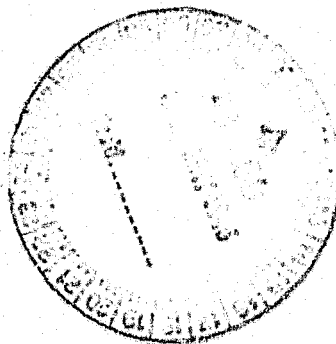
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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (SERVICE COMPANY, 394TH INFANTRY)--Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Service Company, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 14 November 1944 to 6 May 1945.

II. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Second Lieutenant Donald W. McConnell, 01183126, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant Albert F. Brown, 37141902, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class Estan J. Bloom, 14130861, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Michael P. Grace, 32311288, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Clyde O. Johnson, 33528662, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class John E. Mashmeyer, 33560501, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class John R. McCann, 34496180, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Samuel D. McCarley, 6383503, 124th Engineer Battalion, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

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Private First Class George M. Miller, 37482063, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class Norman J. Quist, 32584151, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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Private Wyle C. Woods, 35782901, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For wound received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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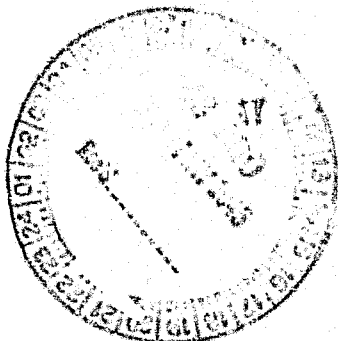
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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (SERVICE COMPANY, 393D INFANTRY)--Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Service Company, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 10 November 1944 to 10 April 1945.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

Major John B. Jacobs, 0351044, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Vermont.

Second Lieutenant Russell L. Hultman, 02005460, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Second Lieutenant Chester S. Kloc, 01050338, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Third Grade James A. Sebastian, 35483791, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class James E. Ellifritt, 38401511, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Harold H. Schuster, 36952293, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart:

Lieutenant Colonel Ernest C. Peters, 018603, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from California.

Captain Joseph G. Ludd, 0449151, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Montana.

First Lieutenant Joseph T. McGarry, 0440997, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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First Lieutenant Harold F. Neihaus, 01306745, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant Donald G. Ross, 01305318, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant John T. Phillips, 33259439, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Olan G. Walters, 18186130, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant James E. Ward, 33114199, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Third Grade Ernest M. Wright, 16011727, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal William M. Moore, 36872226, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade Samuel L. Fishman, 31419923, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class John A. Everhart, 33574963, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Andrew S. Manroctski, 36962215, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Edward G. Neu, 16145089, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Edward J. Retel, 36314879, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Frank J. Smith, 36782661, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private Philip A. Sorrell, 35616529, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Second Lieutenant Louis R. Clark, 02005458, 99th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. When the machine gun platoon, which Second Lieutenant Clark was commanding, met strong enemy fire and was pinned down, he displayed exemplary courage and leadership in directing his men, by individuals and groups, into position of partial defilade from which they could return the enemy fire. By this action, Second Lieutenant Clark succeeded in rendering the enemy fire ineffective and enabled the rifle troops to advance to their objective with a minimum of casualties. The acts of Second Lieutenant Clark are in keeping with the traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant Carl J. Zappa, 33406946, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 to 14 March 1945, in Germany. As a rifle company was attacking an enemy position through a draw, heavy automatic weapons and flak gun fire pinned the entire company down. Technical Sergeant Zappa immediately displaced his machine guns to bring the most effective fire on the enemy. Observing another group of enemy massing for an attack, Technical Sergeant Zappa, with disregard for personal safety, raced from position to position directing the fire of the machine guns on this new threat and, when one of his gunners was wounded, took over the gun himself, helping to annihilate the enemy forces. The courageous actions of Technical Sergeant Zappa are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Paul C. Calton, 34501806, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Calton led his squad through enemy infested territory to a commanding position 1500 yards behind enemy lines in order to secure information as to enemy movements and concentrations. Sighting seven enemy tanks, he radioed for and received artillery fire with the result that the enemy was inflicted with many casualties both in armor and men. Disregarding his personal safety, Staff Sergeant Calton courageously made his way about the enemy sector securing additional valuable information which later enabled our forces to capture an enemy supply dump. Staff Sergeant Calton's courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee

Staff Sergeant Eithel E. Rogers, 35616779, 99th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. After his platoon leader was wounded, Staff Sergeant Rogers took command of the platoon and continued on with its mission. Disregarding the heavy fire from well-concealed and well dug-in machine guns and anti-aircraft guns, he led one section at a time and disposed them with skill as to render withering fire on the enemy. Despite the shelling which met his employment of the machine gun platoon, he continued to direct his men with steadiness and coolness and by his superior leadership insured effective close support of an infantry rifle company. By his untiring efforts and devotion to duty, Staff Sergeant Rogers brought great credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Corporal Walter Branham, 35570504, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. While aid men were administering first aid to members of a rifle company injured by bazooka fire, the enemy laid a heavy artillery barrage on their position. Although wounded by shrapnel and during the entire artillery barrage, Corporal Branham continued rendering first aid to the casualties until all were cared for. He then directed their evacuation to the rear and only after seeing that all injured were removed did he permit treatment of his wounds. Corporal Branham's bravery and complete disregard for personal welfare reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Corporal Donald E. Bruns, 35349285, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. In the outskirts of an enemy held town, Corporal Bruns located an enemy mine field which would hamper the attack of his company. Amid a hail of enemy small arms and artillery fire, he quickly marked the mine field and designated a by-pass. He and his squad then proceeded down the main street of the town clearing a path for a lone tank until they were fired upon by an enemy AA gun. quickly organizing his squad in a defensive position, he engaged the enemy in a fire fight until the company arrived. Corporal Bruns' courage and coolness under enemy fire reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Arvil K. Battle, 34738195, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. In the dark of night, over terrain heavily wooded and inclines which were slippery, Technician Fifth Grade Battle, as scout for a patrol whose objective was 1500 yards behind enemy lines, observed enemy infantry beginning an attack on a village held by our troops and immediately radioed the azimuth reading to his battalion with the result that heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy and the attack was broken up. Disregarding his own artillery and enemy security patrols, Technician Fifth Grade Battle continued on his quest for information and located a large enemy supply dump which was later captured easily because of the information secured on his scouting mission. Technician Fifth Grade Battle's untiring efforts and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Technician Fifth Grade Edgar M. Patrick, 35642503, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944 and 1 March 1945, in Germany. On 17 December 1944, Technician Fifth Grade Patrick volunteered to accompany a squad of infantrymen whose mission was to close a gap in our lines caused by an enemy counter-attack. Three members of the squad were hit by machine gun fire and Technician Fifth Grade Patrick immediately crept to them and amid a hail of artillery and small arms fire, rendered first aid. Again on 5 March 1945, while rendering aid to casualties awaiting to be evacuated in a court yard, a direct hit by an artillery shell wounded Technician Fifth Grade Patrick. Nevertheless, he continued rendering aid and not until all the wounded were evacuated did he allow his wounds to be treated. The display of courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Patrick reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade John N. Toussaint, 32759341, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945 and 15 March 1945, in Germany. On 1 March 1945, when a leading element of infantry was pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Technician Fifth Grade Toussaint crawled into a position from which he annihilated four snipers and then moved to a site from which he could cover the main road. From this position, even though constantly fired upon by snipers, he stuck at his post and during the day knocked out an enemy staff car and an enemy messenger. Again on 15 March 1945, when his patrol was fired upon by enemy machine guns, Technician Fifth Grade Toussaint, with utter disregard for his own safety, crawled toward the emplacement and destroyed it with hand grenades. Technician Fifth Grade Toussaint's heroic acts display great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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Private First Class Marlin G. Brown, 36844385, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. While subject to enemy artillery fire, Private First Class Brown marked a large mine field and then laid a route which by-passed this obstacle so that his company's advance would not be impeded. Later the same day, with disregard for his personal safety, Private First Class Brown, amid artillery and small arms fire, designated an alternate route through another mine field. Private First Class Brown's courage and coolness under such trying conditions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class Bennie B. Bulgawich, 38672050, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Bulgawich volunteered, without hesitation, to join a patrol on a mission deep into enemy territory. Disregarding his personal safety and amid sporadic artillery fire, Private First Class Bulgawich doggedly investigated all the wooded locality and was able to liberate slave laborers who gave him valuable information on enemy installations in the neighborhood. After verifying this information, Private First Class Bulgawich made his report to battalion headquarters by his radio, which was about to go dead, and then made his way back to his squad. The valuable information obtained by Private First Class Bulgawich enabled his battalion to capture the enemy installations intact and with a minimum of casualties. The courage and initiative displayed by Private First Class Bulgawich is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Thomas Cavalier, 31313335, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. At the height of an enemy counter attack, a member of another company was wounded as a result of bazooka fire. In spite of the heavy enemy fire, Private First Class Cavalier an aid man, crept forward and gave aid to the injured man. Then, lifting the injured man onto his back, carried him for nearly a mile to a place of safety. This heroic action of Private First Class Cavalier brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart:

Private Albert Lahan, 33402634, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Staff Sergeant Rudolph L. Apodaca, 39151631, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade Harold M. Visotsky, 16169197, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Freddie A. Ullmann, 37089181, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL..... I
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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel John R. Achor, 0407000, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Lieutenant Colonel Warren W. Simpson, 0342203, Headquarters Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain Marcus J. Flusche, 01000363, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 October 1944 to 10 May 1945, in England, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain George D. Young, 01302914, Counter-Intelligence Corps, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Sergeant Paul W. Wakefield, 6862181, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 25 March 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant Henry P. Ebersperger, 16132508, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 December 1944 to 1 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant James A. Sebastian, 35483791, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 28 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant Darwin L. Kepcha, 35572157, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 November 1944 to 12 March 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Richard K. Yeager, 37212839, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 November 1944 to 12 March 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Corporal J. A. Dunn, 35675562, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 10 January 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Technician 5th Grade Elvin Watkins, 38047084, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 June 1944 to 18 April 1945, in France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Bernard I. Brody, 33586012, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Felice G. Fina, 32990146, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 10 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Casper E. Leach, 37625062, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 21 December 1944 to 3 January 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class William A. Perrins, III, 31469813, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 January 1945 to 17 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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Private First Class George E. Sturm, 37287660, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 16 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Robert H. Terry, 19153705, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Utah.

Private First Class Thomas A. Thompson, 35145995, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 10 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Oak Leaf Cluster to Air Medal is awarded to the following officers:

First Lieutenant Birkhead Jackson, 01172924, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 27 December 1944 and 2 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Arkansas.

First Lieutenant William A. Macklin, 01175219, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 23 January 1945 and 17 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Charles A. Russell, Sr., 33388626, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 10 January 1945, in Belgium. When neither artillery nor cannon observers could bring fire upon enemy entrenched behind hedgerows, Staff Sergeant Russell, a mortar observer, without regard for his own personal safety, crawled through snow amid a hail of enemy machine gun fire to the rear. Contacting his platoon over the radio and ordering mortar fire, he crawled back over the same route. Reaching an advantageous spot, Staff Sergeant Russell poured concentrated rifle fire on the enemy, keeping them in their holes as a patrol moved into position. After causing many casualties to the enemy, the patrol was ordered to withdraw, but could not because of the intensity of the enemy fire. Staff Sergeant Russell crawled once again to the rear to order a smoke screen which permitted the squad to withdraw successfully. These heroic achievements of Staff Sergeant Russell reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class Jack W. Mayo, 38603370, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945, in Belgium. As his platoon was crossing an open field in an attack on an enemy position, it was pinned down by the cross fire of three machine guns. Private First Class Mayo, BAR man, of his own volition and with utter disregard for personal safety, continued to crawl forward until he had maneuvered into a position where he annihilated one machine gun and crew. Then, under the murderous fire of the two remaining machine guns, Private First Class Mayo crawled to a new position where he poured a hail of bullets into the enemy positions, thus pinning them down. As a result of the latter action, the remainder of the platoon soon took their objectives with a minimum of casualties. This gallant and heroic act performed by Private First Class Mayo reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Technician Fourth Grade Ralph J. Aofrate, 32589156, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an enemy strong point, it was necessary for the infantry to be supported by armor. The tank of which Technician Fourth Grade Aofrate was driver received a hit and it was necessary for the crew to abandon it. From a point of safety, Technician Fourth Grade Aofrate decided it was possible to drive the tank to safety. With utter disregard to personal safety, he crawled to the tank and amid direct fire from enemy tanks, backed the tank to a safe position. Technician Fourth Grade Aofrate's gallantry above the call of duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

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Corporal Bobby L. Dotson, 38471854, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. While attacking an enemy position, the tank of which Corporal Dotson was gunner was hit and it was necessary for the crew to abandon the vehicle and secure cover. From their position of safety, the crew decided that it was possible to save the tank and Corporal Dotson and the driver immediately volunteered to attempt to salvage the tank. Braving artillery barrages and enemy tank fire, Corporal Dotson successfully guided the driver as he drove the tank backwards to safety. This act of courage on the part of Corporal Dotson is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Melvin J. Duell, 37178399, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Crawling 200 yards over flat, open terrain under intense small arms fire, Private First Class Duell reached two injured men and immediately administered first aid. Despite the fact that he had knowledge of a proposed friendly artillery barrage in the area in which he was located, Private First Class Duell remained cool and after completing treatment of the wounded, stayed until they were evacuated. Private First Class Duell's valor and devotion to duty reflect great credit to himself and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Leslie C. Gilbert, 42122840, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. In the dark of night, over terrain heavily wooded and inclines which were slippery, Private First Class Gilbert made his way to a spot 1500 yards behind the enemy lines from which point he could observe a large portion of a river valley. Sending back via radio the azimuth of a concentration of enemy troops, he was able to stem a counter-attack and inflict many casualties. Private First Class Gilbert, with utter disregard for personal safety, probed deeper into the surrounding territory of the enemy and discovered large enemy installations. From this information, his unit was able to capture all those with the minimum of casualties. These courageous actions of Private First Class Gilbert reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Emmett G. Jackson, 18055437, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon was given the mission of clearing an important road of mines, Private First Class Jackson, without hesitation, volunteered for this job knowing that particular portion of the road was under direct observation and fire of the enemy. Amid constant enemy shelling of the road, Private First Class Jackson calmly and meticulously removed mine after mine, many of which had been booby-trapped. As he removed the last mine, the much needed supplies rolled forward to our troops. The utter disregard for personal safety and courage displayed by Private First Class Jackson reflect great credit upon him and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class George F. Kincaid, 37618216, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945 and 11 March 1945, in Germany. On 3 March 1945, when a fellow aid man was wounded, Private First Class Kincaid, without hesitation or regard for personal safety, and under a terrific hail of enemy machine gun fire, crawled to the aid of his buddy. After treating the wound, he successfully evacuated him. On 11 March 1945, Private First Class Kincaid, during a heavy enemy artillery barrage, volunteered without hesitation to render first aid to a group of wounded men left behind as a result of the rapid advance of our troops. Private First Class Kincaid's display of courage and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Missouri.

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Private First Class Edgar A. LaBorde, 38491522, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class LaBorde volunteered, without hesitation, to join a patrol on a mission deep into enemy territory. Disregarding his personal safety and amid sporadic artillery fire, Private First Class LaBorde doggedly investigated all the wooded locality and was able to gather valuable information before rejoining the patrol. This information enabled his battalion to capture the enemy installations intact and with a minimum of casualties. The courage and initiative displayed by Private First Class LaBorde is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class George E. Lehr, 34637955, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. The mission of the patrol for which Private First Class Lehr was radio operator, was to secure high ground deep in enemy territory and gain information on enemy locations and numbers. Armed only with a pistol, Private First Class Lehr moved about the enemy infested surroundings gathering information and sending it by radio to battalion headquarters. Observing the beginning of an enemy counter-attack near his location, Private First Class Lehr, with utter disregard for his safety, radioed for and received artillery fire resulting in complete disorganization of all the foe. This heroic action and quick thinking on the part of Private First Class Lehr reflect great credit on him and the military service. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class Harley R. Lewis, 33385592, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. While subject to enemy artillery fire, Private First Class Lewis marked a large mine field and then laid a route which by-passed this obstacle so that his company's advance would not be impeded. Later the same day, with disregard for his personal safety, Private First Class Lewis, amid artillery and small arms fire, designated an alternate route through another mine field. Private First Class Lewis' courage and coolness under such trying conditions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Delaware.

Private First Class James H. Ralston, 35616735, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon leader asked for a volunteer to clear a road infested with mines, Private First Class Ralston stepped forward without hesitation and volunteered to operate the mine detector. Under continuous and effective enemy fire, he worked untiringly to locate and mark all mines until all the road bed had been swept. Private First Class Ralston's disregard for personal safety and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Gerald L. Stoll, 35424833, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 February 1945, in Germany. Because of heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, the assault squad, whose mission was to capture an enemy pillbox, was pinned down. Private First Class Stoll, the lead scout, seized a BAR and began a marching fire on the enemy. His murderous fire killed the sentry and forced the remaining occupants of the stronghold to close the aperture. By his action, Private First Class Stoll encouraged the others of his squad to resume the attack and capture their objective. This heroic act of Private First Class Stoll is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Walter L. Swiatek, 31332126, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 January 1945, in Belgium. Caught closing in on an enemy howitzer position, a patrol was pinned down by the withering hail of small arms and automatic weapons fire. Private First Class Swiatek, radio operator for the patrol, was at the rear of the group. When his platoon leader signaled to pass the radio to him, Private First Class Swiatek, with utter disregard for his own life and already

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exhausted from carrying his instrument for hours in the deep snow, crawled forward under murderous gun fire and arrived in time to call down artillery fire on the enemy's position enabling the patrol to withdraw to safety. The heroic and timely actions of Private First Class Swiatek are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private Goodloe H. Gritton, 35840262, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 February 1945, in Germany. Without hesitation and with disregard for his life, Private Gritton volunteered to carry the satchel charges to be used in blowing a pillbox. During the attack, Private Gritton advanced under heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, knowing that any moment he might be blown apart by the charges he carried, until he was within range of the pillbox. He calmly and coolly went to work setting the charge that would blow the steel door from its hinges. The first charge failed and Private Gritton returned once again to the pillbox. The second charge breached the door. The courage and coolness displayed by Private Gritton in the face of the enemy reflect great credit upon him and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private Milford L. Oliver, 7032826, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 March 1945, in Germany. Overhearing a conversation in which was discussed the problem of rescuing four wounded men, Private Oliver, without a moment's hesitation, volunteered to go to their aid. Under a continuous hail of small arms fire, Private Oliver made trip after trip each time lifting and carrying each wounded man to safety. Even though utterly exhausted from the exertion, Private Oliver then treated each man. This display of courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit on Private Oliver and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private J. L. Mitner, 34327428, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Proceeding with his squad which was executing an order to clear a draw of resistance, Private Mitner stationed himself at the crest of a hill in open terrain in order to cover the squad's progress. From this point, he sent a murderous hail of lead missiles into the enemy's positions forcing the surrender of more than two dozen of their numbers. He kept this accurate fire continuing until the squad withdrew with their prisoners, then rose to his feet in the face of enemy fire and withdrew, firing as he did. The bravery and devotion to duty of Private Mitner reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Tennessee.

OK } III. AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section II, General Orders #39, dated 14 May 1945, pertaining to Private First Class George M. Miller, 37482063, 395th Infantry, United States Army, as reads: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART", is amended to read: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART".

OK } So much of Section I, General Orders #43, dated 18 May 1945, pertaining to Private First Class George E. Sturm, 37287660, 395th Infantry, as reads: "AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD-POSTHUMOUSLY-OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL".

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I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMBAT INFANTRY REGIMENT (394TH INFANTRY)--Under the provisions of War Department Circular 408, 17 October 1944, the Combat Infantry Regiment Streamer is awarded to the 394th Infantry, United States Army.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Colonel Robert B. Warren, O19380, (then Lieutenant Colonel), Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 January 1945 to 18 February 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas N. Griffin, O17775, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 31 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Joseph V. T. Kempton, O352268, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Captain Arnold G. Albrecht, O1172731, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 November 1944 to 10 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain Edward R. Fuetsch, O1171151, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Nevada.

Captain Jacob W. Gravley, O1292169, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 1 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Master Sergeant Robert L. Carty, Jr., 19005083, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 28 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

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Master Sergeant Arden Riddle, 15014305, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Edward H. Boden, 33473137, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 31 January 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Herbert F. Doden, 36675953, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 28 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Ray G. Lively, 38062720, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 December 1944 to 15 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Lawrence R. McQuaide, 35676167, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 3 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant David I. Wiseman, 35689906, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 22 November 1944 to 1 January 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade George H. Ball, 35593374, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Eastern Belgium and Western Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles E. Reuter, 35673866, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Clyde C. Warden, 33472176, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 January 1945 to 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal:

First Lieutenant Ray R. Tadlock, 02172308, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 14 January 1945 and 19 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

V. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following officer:

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Second Lieutenant James O. Cox, Jr., 02005426, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 8 February 1945 to 24 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Florida.

VI. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 500-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Captain Robert E. Lannhoimer, 0322385, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Arizona.

Second Lieutenant David B. Ansell, 0432859, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Lawrence A. Downs, 34573173, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technical Sergeant John W. Brown, 39525081, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Idaho.

Staff Sergeant Marshall Bennett, 35593448, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Edwin L. Kelly, 33472501, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Paul E. Riebold, 37539844, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class James F. Daugherty, 33439191, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Harry L. Dickerson, 33649642, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D.C.

Private First Class Jay Y. Flockhart, 17169899, 99th Signal Company. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class Edward G. Fogarty, 33616379, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Edward F. Van Eechoute, 36481118, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Lathan Walker, 18128176, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 November 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Texas.

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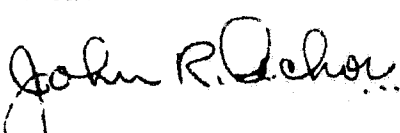
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Private Willard D. Packman, 33948014, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private Walter Alkowiak, 35535941, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Sergeant William W. Blackburn, 42081937, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 March 1945, in Germany. When his squad was assigned the mission of furnishing protection for a group of engineers repairing a bridge, Sergeant Blackburn exhibited great skill in placing his men in advantageous positions. When attacked by a strong force of enemy, Sergeant Blackburn, amid a hail of machine gun and rifle fire and with utter disregard for personal safety, kept shifting his position so as to pour more effective fire on the enemy. Even though wounded, Sergeant Blackburn continued to direct his squad and caused the enemy to withdraw leaving many casualties and prisoners behind. Sergeant Blackburn's heroic act and devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Delaware.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Thomas W. Porter, 0466819, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Lying wounded in his foxhole, First Lieutenant Porter, artillery forward observer with an infantry battalion, observed the enemy massing for a large counter-attack. With disregard for his condition, First Lieutenant Porter immediately called down an artillery barrage on the enemy's position so effectively that it caused many casualties and stopped the threat of an attack in his section. Although weak from the loss of blood, First Lieutenant Porter gallantly stayed at his post, plotting artillery concentrations for future use. The gallantry and devotion to duty displayed by First Lieutenant Porter reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant John R. Bullock, 35722964, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. When a large number of enemy attacked a house in which Sergeant Bullock and his crew were sleeping, he immediately placed his men in strategic positions and attempted to move his destroyer into position for a possible tank attack. Finding that it was impossible to move the vehicle, Sergeant Bullock, with utter disregard for personal safety, moved about in full view of the enemy directing his men and was successful in repulsing their attack. This gallant act performed by Sergeant Bullock reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Sergeant Raymond J. Willaredt, 36763031, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 to 14 March 1945, in Germany. Caught in a draw by heavy enemy automatic weapons and flak gun fire, Sergeant Willaredt's company was pinned down. Without thought for personal safety and in the hail of enemy fire, Sergeant Willaredt moved into the open and placed his machine gun so that he could place under fire a large enemy concentration. Under cover of his withering fire, part of the company was able to withdraw. Then, when his ammunition ran out, he remained at his post covering the withdrawal of the remainder of the company with his rifle. By his devotion to duty and extraordinary heroism, Sergeant Willaredt exemplified the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Hartsell E. Wharton, 36948473, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 to 14 March 1945, in Germany. Although wounded, Private First Class Wharton, ammunition bearer for his squad, took over a machine gun when the first and second gunners were wounded by enemy shell fragments. His concentrated fire prevented an enemy element from moving their guns into an advantageous position. Private First Class Wharton remained at his gun until his ammunition was exhausted and then crept toward an enemy machine gun nest and destroyed it with a hand grenade. Private First Class Wharton's indomitable courage enabled rifle troops to repel a counterattack and to go on to their objective. Entered military service from Illinois.

III. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Soldiers Medal:

Sergeant Sam W. Fincher, 34591842, 395th Infantry, United States Army, while serving in the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 22 December 1944, in Belgium, while performing duties of Ammunition Sergeant. After an enemy artillery barrage on an ammunition dump, a box of ammunition caught fire and the shells began to explode. Disregarding the danger involved, Sergeant Fincher ran to the burning ammunition box and lifted it to his shoulder. Running thirty yards to a water filled basement, he immersed the flaming box, preventing an explosion which would have set fire to the entire dump with fatal effects to the men assembled there. Entered military service from North Carolina.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Alvin R. Carlson, 01323286, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 through 17 March 1945, in Germany. During an enemy counter-attack, First Lieutenant Carlson skillfully directed the fire of his platoon so as to give a rifle company the full benefit of machine gun support. Inspired by his example of personal fearlessness, his men followed him without hesitation on a strong enemy position. Undaunted by the heavy enemy machine gun fire, First Lieutenant Carlson went from position to position giving advice and adjusting the fire of his guns, thus developing the full offensive power of his platoon. The fearless determination and courageous devotion to duty displayed by First Lieutenant Carlson are in keeping with the traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant James S. Bowers, 39727410, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 January 1945, in Belgium. Attacking through four feet of snow, Technical Sergeant Bowers' platoon encountered heavy mortar and machine gun fire. Moving about his pinned down platoon, which consisted mostly of reinforcements, he continually urged them forward. When ordered to withdraw, Technical Sergeant Bowers, disregarding personal safety, made trip after trip carrying casualties to safety.

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The heroic acts displayed by Technical Sergeant Bowers reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant Vincil A. Brady, 35536295, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. With enemy machine gun bullets splattering around him and mortar shells exploding near him, Staff Sergeant Brady left his place of safety and crawled to the aid of a wounded man. He half-carried and half-dragged the injured man to cover and then administered first aid. Staff Sergeant Brady's unshakeable concern for his men and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Walter Germusa, 33920294, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 March 1945, in Germany. In an attack on an enemy concrete fortification, Sergeant Germusa charged ahead of his squad and fired a rifle grenade through the doorway causing the enemy to flee into the adjacent wooded area. Sergeant Germusa and a volunteer pursued the fleeing enemy, encountering heavy enemy machine gun fire. Sergeant Germusa crept forward and annihilated one machine gun and crew with a hand grenade causing the other crews to surrender. The courageous determination he displayed and his devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Robert E. Burgess, 35596993, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. While the remainder of his crew fought an enemy patrol from the basement of a house, Technician Fourth Grade Burgess, in the light of a burning haystack, crawled from this cover and made his way to his vehicle, a tank destroyer. After having to abandon this position because of a direct hit made by an enemy bazooka on his vehicle, Technician Fourth Grade Burgess then engaged the enemy at close range and was successful in making them withdraw. This gallant act on the part of Technician Fourth Grade Burgess reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade William Risko, 33457837, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945 and 18 March 1945, in Germany. Under murderous small arms, mortar and artillery fire, Technician Fourth Grade Risko crawled to the aid of wounded men and carried them to the shelter of a barn. There, ignoring the deadly and accurate sniper fire and mortar fire, he efficiently and skillfully administered first aid. Not until all men were evacuated did he leave his post. The courageous devotion to duty he displayed is in keeping with the finest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Thomas E. McGuire, 31136150, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. While guarding a tank destroyer, an enemy patrol attacked. Corporal McGuire immediately mounted the vehicle and poured such an effective stream of lead on an enemy machine gun position that it was rendered useless. Even though the entire area was lighted by a burning haystack, Corporal McGuire remained at his post and inflicted many casualties on the enemy thus giving his comrades sufficient time to form a ring of defense and repulse the attack. Corporal McGuire's devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade Albert Kornoski, 33175090, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945, in Germany. When his patrol leader and his assistant were wounded by enemy machine gun and rifle fire, Technician Fifth Grade Kornoski immediately crept to them, administered first aid and then found cover for them. He then crawled about to the remainder of the squad's positions and gave instructions to each member. Under his leadership, the patrol made a successful withdrawal with such valuable information as to enemy positions. The initiative and

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bravery displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Kornoski reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Robert E. Heffner, 34964517, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Borrowing a sniper's rifle, Private First Class Heffner crawled to an exposed position and with the aid of the telescopic sight located the position of an enemy gun by its muzzle blast. He then made his way across an open field swept by withering machine gun and small arms fire to a building which housed an artillery forward observer. The information he imparted to the observer enabled our artillery to bring fire on the enemy position and cause the gun to be withdrawn thus enabling Private First Class Heffner's company to advance to their objective on time. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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*Private First Class Louis Koziol, 36764076, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. When their position was attacked by an enemy patrol, Private First Class Koziol, attempting to reach his tank destroyer to be ready for a possible enemy tank attack, crawled across exposed terrain in the light of a burning haystack. Reaching the vehicle, Private First Class Koziol immediately set about preparing it for movement, giving no thought to the concentration of enemy fire. The intensity and accuracy of the fire laid down by Private First Class Koziol's buddies drove the enemy off. The courage and disregard for personal safety displayed by Private First Class Koziol is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class James R. Reid, 32958924, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. In the dark of night, over terrain heavily wooded and inclines which were slippery, Private First Class Reid made his way to a spot 1500 yards behind the enemy lines from which point he could observe a large portion of a river valley. Sending back via radio the azimuth of a concentration of enemy troops, he was able to stem a counter-attack and inflict many casualties. Private First Class Reid, with utter disregard for personal safety, probed deeper into the surrounding territory of the enemy and discovered large enemy installations. From this information, his unit was able to capture all of them with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Francis J. Schuster, 33471415, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. When a hidden machine gun fired on a group of company runners wounding several, Private First Class Schuster, without hesitation, crawled to their aid. Carrying one of the wounded back to safety, he returned for the second. An attempt to carry the second person proved impossible because of weight and it was impossible to drag him. A fellow soldier seeing his plight, crawled out and aided Private First Class Schuster in rescuing the second wounded individual. The determination and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Schuster are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class John B. Scroggins, 34936379, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Scroggins volunteered, without hesitation, to join a patrol on a mission deep into enemy territory. Disregarding his personal safety and amid sporadic artillery fire, Private First Class Scroggins doggedly investigated all the wooded locality and was able to liberate slave laborers who gave him valuable information on enemy installations in the neighborhood. After verifying this information, Private First Class Scroggins made his report to battalion headquarters by his radio, which was about to go dead and then made his way back to his squad. The valuable information obtained by Private First Class Scroggins enabled his battalion to capture the enemy installations intact and with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class Sydney B. Spiegel, 39040487, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. The mission of the patrol of which Private First Class Spiegel was assistant squad leader, was to secure high ground deep in enemy territory and gain information on enemy locations and numbers. Private First Class Spiegel moved about in enemy infested surroundings gathering information and sending it by radio to battalion headquarters. Observing the beginning of an enemy counter-attack near his location, Private First Class Spiegel, with utter disregard for his safety, radioed for and received artillery fire resulting in complete disorganization of all the foe. This heroic action and quick thinking on the part of Private First Class Spiegel reflect great credit on him and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class John M. Thompson, 39169876, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. During a fire fight with the enemy, Private First Class Thompson braved the intense small arms and mortar fire in order to rescue a wounded man. Half dragging and half carrying the wounded man, Private First Class Thompson was able to remove him to a place behind a brick wall and administer first aid. Private First Class Thompson's indomitable courage reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Montana.

Private First Class Mitchell J. Tluczek, 36562257, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. While guarding a tank destroyer, an enemy patrol attacked. Private First Class Tluczek immediately gave the alarm and promptly destroyed an enemy machine gun by his devastating fire. Even though the entire area was lighted by a burning haystack, Private First Class Tluczek remained at his post and inflicted many casualties on the enemy, thus giving his comrades sufficient time to form a ring of defense and repulse the attack. Private First Class Tluczek's devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private Leo F. Bresnahan, 31235830, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. Private Bresnahan volunteered, without hesitation, to join a patrol on a mission deep into enemy territory. Disregarding his personal safety and amid sporadic artillery fire, Private Bresnahan doggedly investigated all the wooded locality and was able to gather valuable information before rejoining the patrol. This information enabled his battalion to capture enemy installations intact and with a minimum of casualties. The courage and initiative displayed by Private Bresnahan is in keeping with the traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private Theodore Bunch, 34650517, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. When an enemy machine gun wounded several company runners, Private Bunch and another buddy crawled through a hail of machine gun fire to their rescue. Amid shell bursts, Private Bunch managed to carry one of the injured to safety and then returned to assist in the evacuation of the last casualty. The unselfishness and personal bravery displayed by Private Bunch is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private Royal G. Cox, 39169043, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 to 17 March 1945, in Germany. The tank destroyer of which Private Cox was cannoneer was constantly on the move, day and night, supporting an infantry battalion. On alert for targets of opportunity, Private Cox was always quick to act, making it possible for the infantry to move effectively and with a minimum of casualties. On many occasions, Private Cox braved artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to guide his destroyer into position so it could render effective fire on selected targets. Entered military service from California.

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V. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section IV, General Orders #37, dated 9 May 1945, as pertains to Sergeant Richard C. Talcott, 37666081, 395th Infantry, United States Army, as reads: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART", is amended to read: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART".

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

✓ First Sergeant Jerry W. Holloway, 39151484, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 10 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon leader was wounded by enemy artillery, First Sergeant Holloway immediately took charge of the platoon and went about coolly and methodically giving instructions for crossing a heavily shelled river bridge. Breaking the platoon into small groups, First Sergeant Holloway personally led each group to the bridge and dispatched them between shell bursts. By his timely and prompt action, all men were able to reach the other side safely. First Sergeant Holloway's steadfast fulfillment of this dangerous duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

✓ Sergeant Lee R. Bidwell, 35718704, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 to 14 March 1945, in Germany. In an attack on an enemy position, the rifle company which Sergeant Bidwell's machine gun squad was to support, was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire. Without hesitation or thought for personal safety, Sergeant Bidwell moved to an advantageous spot, even though exposed, and set up his gun. He poured a devastating fire on the enemy and even after wounded, continued firing until out of ammunition. Taking up his rifle, he crept and crawled to cover, leaving many enemy casualties behind and broke up their attack. This display of personal bravery and courage by Sergeant Bidwell reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

✓ Sergeant John E. Brock, 35722939, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 March 1945 through 17 March 1945, in Germany. In supporting the advance of the infantry, Sergeant Brock constantly kept his tank destroyer in action knocking out enemy strong points, enemy tanks, SP guns, and ammunition trains. Even though subjected to enemy fire from tanks, artillery, mortars and machine guns, Sergeant Brock displayed great initiative and foresight in reconnoitering each new area and choosing the most advantageous spots in order to render the most effective support to the infantry. These acts rendered by Sergeant Brock reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

✓ Private First Class John R. Thompson, 33537026, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. While approaching a town held by the enemy, a volley of small arms fire inflicted many casualties in Private First Class Thompson's squad. Braving enemy small arms fire, he dashed forward and tossed a hand grenade which silenced one enemy machine gun. He then crawled toward a second machine gun emplacement and annihilated the position with another hand grenade, thus permitting his company to continue their advance. The courage and gallant action displayed by Private First Class Thompson reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

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II. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Soldiers Medal:

Sergeant Merlo V. Williams, 33402499, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, while serving in the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 17 March 1945, in Germany. In order to reach a buddy trapped by the collapse of a large river bridge, Sergeant Williams crawled out through the wreckage and lowered himself into the icy waters of the river. After freeing the victim from the twisted girders, Sergeant Williams laid him on some wreckage at water level and remained with him for one and a half hours until medical aid was obtained and the wounded man evacuated. By his unhesitating action and skillful treatment, Sergeant Williams saved this man's life. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Claude L. Lawson, 35592554, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945, in Germany. When his company was fired upon by enemy machine guns, Staff Sergeant Lawson immediately deployed his men and with disregard for personal safety, started forward firing a light machine gun from his hip. Seeing this display of courage, his men followed his example and forced the enemy from their positions. With this obstacle dispensed with, his company was able to continue on to their objective on time. The display of initiative and courage shown by Staff Sergeant Lawson reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

IV. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant William G. Palmer, 01825249, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. While waiting to cross a congested river bridge, First Lieutenant Palmer's lead vehicle was hit by an enemy artillery shell, injuring several men. With disregard for personal safety, he immediately commandeered another truck and under heavy fire, succeeded in removing the damaged vehicle. Then, as the traffic rolled forward again, he rendered aid to the wounded and had them evacuated. First Lieutenant Palmer's steadiness and utter fearlessness reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technical Sergeant Norman Sink, (then Staff Sergeant), 6852952, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. While his squad was digging positions they were surprised by an enemy patrol and overpowered. Although he was wounded, Technical Sergeant Sink managed to free himself and by his quick thinking and actions, killed four of the enemy thus disorganizing the enemy patrol and saving his men from capture. By this heroic act, Technical Sergeant Sink brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Stanley E. Hancock, 18028752, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Because of the intense fire from enemy tanks, it was necessary for Staff Sergeant Hancock's company to withdraw temporarily. When it was necessary for someone to return to rescue casualties, Staff Sergeant Hancock, without hesitation and with disregard for personal safety, crawled over

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exposed terrain and carried the wounded to safety. Staff Sergeant Hancock's great personal bravery and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant Anthony M. Kuhar, 35535776, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Kuhar, as squad leader of a patrol whose mission it was to check an enemy bridgehead, came upon a group of enemy soldiers. He immediately halted his patrol and advanced alone to the proximity of the enemy and surveyed the situation. By his bravery and initiative, he efficiently and effectively directed the capture of the entire group of enemy without a casualty among his men. Staff Sergeant Kuhar's actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant John E. Stallings, 33388186, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945, in Germany. While his company was advancing towards a town, the enemy suddenly opened fire. During the ensuing action, two men were seriously wounded and because of the intense enemy fire it was impossible to evacuate them. Realizing the gravity of the situation, Staff Sergeant Stallings volunteered and went forward and administered plasma in spite of the incessant shelling and small arms fire. Staff Sergeant Stallings' courage and disregard for personal safety reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Maryland.

Sergeant Gaylord R. Greenlee, 35071443, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Because of the situation, Sergeant Greenlee had very little time to accomplish his mission--that of clearing an enemy-held town. He planned the attack in detail and with five men advanced towards the enemy installations. Because of his careful planning and foresight, he and his men killed many enemy riflemen and then cleared the town in an efficient manner. Sergeant Greenlee's skill and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Preston F. LeBretan, 18246972, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Sergeant LeBretan, a consistent volunteer on every patrol, received the task of clearing a town during a large offensive. Leading his patrol through a hail of enemy fire, he entered enemy positions before they could realize what was happening, causing the enemy to withdraw with their armored vehicles and leaving the town under complete control of Sergeant LeBretan and his men. The display of initiative and courage by Sergeant LeBretan is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technician Fourth Grade Allen E. Phillips, 37185207, 535th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion (Mobile), United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 June 1944, in France. When his unit occupied positions still being cleared of enemy mines, one of the men stepped upon a mine which injured him seriously. With full knowledge of the danger involved, Technician Fourth Grade Phillips entered the minefield, applied a tourniquet and rendered superior first aid. Improvising a litter, he carried the soldier out of the minefield to safety. Later that day another man was wounded as the result of stepping on a mine and Technician Fourth Grade Phillips repeated the treacherous journey through the minefield, administered first aid, and carried the man to safety. His courage reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

Corporal John Collucci, 32632829, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 thru 17 March 1945, in Germany. As a tank destroyer gunner, Corporal Collucci rendered close support to infantry units in their advance on a large enemy installation. During this three day offensive, he was constantly

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on the move firing at targets of opportunity and at targets which enabled the infantry to advance with a minimum of casualties. Frequently it was necessary for Corporal Collucci to be exposed to direct enemy fire in order to maneuver for a position. Corporal Collucci's courage and fortitude during this period reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade William H. Chandler, 33627432, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 March 1945 and 25 March 1945, in Germany. On 24 March 1945, Technician Fifth Grade Chandler, in order to evacuate two badly wounded men, drove his vehicle over roads known to be mined and under constant enemy sniper fire. Again on 25 March 1945, he and his assistant went into a town still under artillery and sniper fire to evacuate litter patients. When his assistant was wounded, Technician Fifth Grade Chandler rendered first aid and drove him to the regimental aid station and then returned to complete his mission. The courage and heroism displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Chandler reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade James C. Stone, 3470955, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 January 1945 to 18 March 1945, in Germany. On 9 January 1945, while acting as scout for a daylight patrol, Technician Fifth Grade Stone attacked an enemy outpost line alone in order to make an opening through which the main body of the patrol could pass. In doing this, he captured a prisoner who later gave valuable information which enabled his company to take their objective in record time. Again on 12 February 1945, with disregard for personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Stone remained in an exposed position firing at the enemy until all members of his patrol withdrew. Technician Fifth Grade Stone's continued courage and devotion to duty during this period reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Joseph G. Williams, 33882859, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Noticing two enemy anti-aircraft guns unobserved by our troops, Private First Class Williams reported their location and volunteered to lead a patrol to the guns. Braving sniper and mortar fire, he crawled to the gun positions, then temporarily unmanned, and placed a charge of TNT on each gun, destroying one gun immediately. It was necessary for him to return under hostile fire to destroy the remaining gun with TNT. Private First Class Williams' courage in the face of the enemy, reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private Alex Blumberg, 42128704, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7, 8, 9, and 11 February 1945, in Germany. Although having been on four patrols within the same number of nights, Private Blumberg, radio man, volunteered without hesitation when a volunteer was called for a particularly dangerous mission. Despite adverse conditions, Private Blumberg crept and crawled through heavy enemy machine gun fire, over muddy terrain, keeping always with the patrol. Through his devotion and courage, Private Blumberg brought credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private Charles A. Henderson, 12005971, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. In an attack on an enemy position, Private Henderson was riding the back of a tank. When the tank came into view of the enemy it was met with a hail of enemy fire from tanks and machine guns. Private Henderson, amid this hail of lead, remained on the tank, firing until his ammunition was exhausted, thus permitting his squad to gain cover. This heroic act of Private Henderson, with utter disregard for personal safety, reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

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Private Barney J. Mullins, 38653256, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945 and 13 March 1945, in Germany. In the dark of night, over terrain heavily wooded and inclines which were slippery, Private Mullins made his way to a spot 1500 yards behind the enemy lines from which point he could observe a large portion of a river valley. Sending back via radio the azimuth of a concentration of enemy troops, he was able to stem a counter-attack and inflict many casualties. Private Mullins, with utter disregard for personal safety, probed deeper into the surrounding territory of the enemy and discovered large enemy installations. From this information, his unit was able to capture all these with a minimum of casualties. These courageous actions of Private Mullins reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private Marcellus L. Whitworth, 38670737, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945, in Germany. During a fire fight with the enemy, Private Whitworth, without hesitation and amid a hail of small arms fire, crawled to the aid of his wounded company executive officer. He immediately rendered first aid and then remained with the officer to prevent excessive loss of blood. Private Whitworth's devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private Roger K. Zimmerman, 36990192, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. While the remainder of his crew fought an enemy patrol from the basement of a house, Private Zimmerman, in the light of a burning haystack, crawled from this cover and made his way to his vehicle, a tank destroyer. After having to abandon this position because of a direct hit made by an enemy bazooka, Private Zimmerman then engaged the enemy at close range and was successful in making them withdraw. This heroic act on the part of Private Zimmerman reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

V. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section III, General Orders 40, dated 15 May 1945, pertaining to First Lieutenant Harold F. Neihaus, 01306745, 393d Infantry, as reads: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART", is amended to read: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART".

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Ralph D. Hill, 01323700, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Given the mission of capturing an enemy strong point, First Lieutenant Hill promptly set about planning the attack in detail. Realizing the gravity of the situation, he assumed the role of leading scout for the operation and amid a concentrated enemy artillery barrage, led his platoon to a successful completion of their mission without a casualty. The courage and excellent leadership displayed by First Lieutenant Hill is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant Wayne J. Best, 33407060, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. As his company was advancing on an enemy-held town, Technical Sergeant Best was wounded and dazed by an enemy mortar barrage. Disregarding his wound and the hail of enemy small arms fire, Technical Sergeant Best continued to direct the actions of his platoon and not until they had successfully occupied the town, did he permit himself to be evacuated for treatment. The devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant Best reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Charles E. Deemer, 20753714, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. While his convoy was waiting to cross a congested and heavily shelled river bridge, the lead vehicle of the convoy received a direct hit by enemy artillery, thus blocking the entrance to the bridge. Without hesitation and with complete disregard for personal safety, Technical Sergeant Deemer rushed out to the wrecked vehicle and directed its movement. He then rendered first aid to the injured and had them evacuated, thus permitting the flow of traffic to continue over the bridge. The initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant Deemer reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant Jewell E. Kelly, 36746308, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. In an attack on the enemy, the rifle company which Staff Sergeant Kelly was supporting, was pinned down by heavy enemy automatic weapons fire. With utter disregard for personal safety, he crawled forward to an advantageous position and then beckoned to his squad to follow. When the gunner was wounded, Staff Sergeant Kelly assisted in setting up the gun and directed a devastating fire upon the enemy positions causing the enemy to be routed. The display of courage and steadiness under great pressure reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Sergeant Kenneth A. Linker, 34591847, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. As his squad was advancing on an enemy-held town, it was surprised by a hail of enemy fire. With disregard to personal safety, Sergeant Linker remained exposed in order to deploy his men and under his skillful direction, the enemy was captured. The display of courage in the face of the enemy by Sergeant Linker, reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant Ardie Winters, 13072818, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. When his company was pinned down in an attack by heavy enemy automatic weapons' fire, Sergeant Winters quickly moved his machine gun squad through this intense enemy fire to an advantageous position. When the gunner was wounded, Sergeant Winters took the gun and moved it into position and directed its fire so effectively that great losses of both men and equipment were inflicted upon the enemy. Under his skillful guidance, the enemy was disorganized and his company advanced to their objective. The courage displayed by Sergeant Winters in the face of the enemy reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician 4th Grade Richard C. Day, 17072792, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. In a hail of withering enemy fire, Technician Fourth Grade Day assisted in erecting a machine gun in such a manner as to give effective support to the advancing infantry. With utter disregard for personal safety, he made many trips to the rear to secure additional ammunition, thus enabling the squad to inflict many casualties on the enemy. Technician Fourth Grade Day's courage and devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Corporal Robert L. Loose, 34592520, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. While his convoy was waiting to cross a congested and heavily shelled river bridge, the lead vehicle of the convoy received a direct hit by enemy artillery, thus blocking the entrance to the bridge. Without hesitation and with complete disregard for personal safety, Corporal Loose obtained a tow rope and secured one end to the wrecked vehicle and the other end to another vehicle and removed it from the entrance to the bridge. He then rendered superior first aid to the injured men. The quick action and courage displayed by Corporal Loose is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade Billy H. Towns, 35583623, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 to 17 March 1945, in Germany. The tank destroyer of which Technician Fifth Grade Towns was driver, was constantly on the move, day and night, supporting an infantry battalion. Subjected to direct fire from enemy tanks, artillery, mortar and machine gun fire, he nevertheless rendered superior aid to his gunner in scoring hits on assigned targets. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Towns reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Joseph Barkoski, 32191309, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945 to 17 March 1945, in Germany. The tank destroyer of which Private First Class Barkoski was cannoneer, was constantly on the move, day and night, supporting an infantry battalion. On alert for targets of opportunity, Private First Class Barkoski was always quick to act, making it possible for the infantry to move effectively and with a minimum of casualties. On many occasions, Private First Class Barkoski braved artillery, mortar and machine gun fire to guide his destroyer into position so it could render effective fire on selected targets. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class Hirum R. Knupp, 36905506, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. As a gunner of a heavy machine gun, Private First Class Knupp, without hesitation and with disregard for personal safety, crawled forward to an exposed position with his gun in order to give support to an attacking infantry platoon. From this position he eliminated two enemy machine guns which were hampering the attack of the infantry platoon. Private First Class Knupp's courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Paul F. Mohrbach, 33595138, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. When a friendly tank was hit by enemy artillery fire, Private First Class Mohrbach, with utter disregard for personal safety, crawled several hundred yards over flat, open terrain to administer aid, only to find his trip was in vain. Later in the same day and under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, he crawled to the aid of two litter casualties and administered superior first aid. These heroic acts and courage displayed by Private First Class Mohrbach reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Francis L. Oglesby, 20735045, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Braving a withering hail of enemy fire, Private First Class Oglesby led his machine gun squad to an advantageous position and without waiting for a command, began an effective fire on the enemy positions. By this action, Private First Class Oglesby was instrumental in destroying enemy machine gun positions which were hampering the advance of the infantry. The initiative and courage displayed by Private First Class Oglesby reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class Lloyd H. Runkles, 35744615, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. When his company was pinned down in an attack by heavy enemy automatic weapons fire, Private First Class Runkles quickly moved his machine gun through this intense enemy fire to an advantageous position. He poured a hail of machine gun fire on the enemy emplacements causing them heavy losses in equipment and men. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Runkles are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

II. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following officers:

First Lieutenant Harvin M. Von Aswege, 01184747, 667th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 23 January 1945 and 20 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant Blaine A. Lewis, 01177054, 667th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 27 January 1945 and 19 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Paul Windels, Jr., 0528847, 667th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 26 January 1945 and 20 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

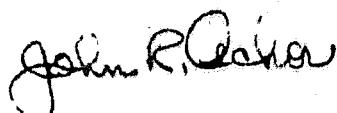
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Second Lieutenant Jean E. Junker, 0531857, 667th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 8 February 1945 and 19 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Majcr Charles F. Ryan, 0323532, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 November 1944 to 1 April 1945, in United Kingdom, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain Robert K. Ashby, 01011259, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in United Kingdom, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Captain Warner S. Currie, 01171108, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Captain Myer J. Klevan, 01634037, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Robert F. Hogan, 01175167, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Master Sergeant Charles F. King, 33481787, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Edward J. Kennedy, 33482436, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 3 February to 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Donald A. Marshall, 39075896, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 February 1945 to 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant Warren M. Schmid, 35524182, Headquarters, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant John B. Claypoole, 39705379, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 24 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

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Technician Fourth Grade Gilbert O. Ridgeway, 37141202, Headquarters, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 October 1944 to 1 May 1945, in England, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technician Fourth Grade Otto R. Wade, 33445878, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Jesse Denton, 34496578, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class William Hagan, 35524242, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 December 1944 to 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class James Hart, 16119479, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

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*Private First Class Fred K. Lewis, 33466117, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

II. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded the following officer:

Captain Joseph C. Weckerle, 01175354, 99th Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 16 January 1945 and 2 April 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal:

Captain Aaron Nathan, 01296245, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant Richard O. Frana, 36721630, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Richard V. Harmon, 34966410, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

IV. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

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Captain William F. Everett, 0435453, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Lieutenant Manning S. Lacey, 01321783, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant Wesley B. Langholz, 01300502, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

Second Lieutenant Praeton H. Hufft, 0530629, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

First Sergeant Robert L. Meredith, 35745009, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 20 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Jemil C. Risk, 35510223, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Vernon F. Ziegler, 35000662, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Richard V. Harmon, 34966410, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade Orville O. Crawford, 38040228, 371st Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 19 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade Raymond L. Desmore, 36304224, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade Melvin E. Wolfe, 35744887, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class John W. Cook, 33921943, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Leonard H. Davis, 35674910, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Walter Frank, 32189605, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 November 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Emanuel Handelman, 32656371, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class John V. Hooley, 16015853, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Rolland W. Kast, 42093942, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class James E. Knauff, Jr, 42190474, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class George E. Mitchell, 6919014, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 19 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Carl E. Moore, 33948610, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Andy Panaski, 33472128, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Earl A. Rosenberger, 33402241, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Frank G. Smith, 39592334, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Haskle A. White, 35782045, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private Truman L. Mannan, 35829633, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private Buren S. Neill, Jr, 34307569, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private Bernard J. Ruebusch, Jr, 35679980, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private Albert Scholl, 37540510, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 19 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Kansas.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Leon E. Scott, (then Captain) 0420534, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Major Orville L. Schwoerke, 0242205, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 6 February 1945 to 1 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Captain John H. Kofron, 0407944, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 7 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Captain Harry L. Krieger, 01726239, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 12 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

1st Lieutenant Charles M. Langley, 01298854, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 7 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

1st Lieutenant Robert A. Smith, 01296277, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 December 1944 to 17 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Master Sergeant Henry W. Popin, 38009349, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Colorado.

Master Sergeant Henry C. Smith, 33469503, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Sergeant Bernard W. Laishear, (then Technician Fifth Grade and Staff Sergeant) 33385823, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 28 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant Harvey Davis, (then Sergeant) 34496552, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

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Staff Sergeant Baylor S. Elder, (then Technician Fifth Grade) 35688361, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 28 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade Anthony Maestle, (then Private First Class) 35642610, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 12 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Joseph P. Patrick, 33456828, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 23 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Woodrow Thompson, 35744820, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Leroy E. Parker, 36727657, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class James P. Shannon, 17125529, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Jay C. Shepherd, 39906690, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 February 1945 to 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Utah.

Private First Class Robert C. Wilkinson, Jr, 16088354, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 31 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal:

First Lieutenant John M. Hilson, 01175742, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 1 January 1945 and 15 March 1945, in the European Theatre of Operations. Entered military service from Alabama.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Major Stephen M. Gillespie, 01687232, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant Samuel Agatstein, 01311275, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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First Lieutenant Wayne E. Peterson, 0463318, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Idaho.

Technical Sergeant Chester E. Kroll, 36515191, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Peter F. Nepi, 33471728, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Millard C. Self, 38608363, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 24 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Fred E. Arnold, 37053330, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class George W. Gabbard, 35675828, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 November 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Otto Johnson, 37570480, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Herbert J. Muehlstein, 16147235, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Joseph P. Ray, 44038048, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Anthony F. Zappia, 35905653, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted man are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Sam Lombardo, 01287551, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 March 1945, in Germany. During the attack on enemy positions, his company was subjected to such intense small arms and automatic fire that its further advance was halted. The commitment of a support platoon was not enough to enable the company to advance under the undiminished and withering fire of a small but determined group of enemy. With complete disregard for his own safety, First Lieutenant Lombardo rose to his feet and exhorted his men to follow him with a marching fire. The company responded to his intrepid leadership and with assault fire, over-ran the enemy. First Lieutenant Lombardo's gallantry in action reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Frederick H. Grim, 35744627, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Covering a draw which led into his company's area, Private First Class Grim, a machine gunner, sighted an enemy patrol and immediately opened fire, killing six of the enemy. Private First Class Grim forced the rest of the members of the patrol to surrender. Later on the same day, as his section was crossing an open field, an enemy machine gun opened fire. Without hesitation and with utter disregard for personal safety, Private First Class Grim put his gun into action and silenced the enemy gun. These gallant acts performed by Private First Class Grim reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from West Virginia.

II. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Soldiers Medal:

Private First Class Theodore Michnowsky, 32599473, 394th Infantry, United States Army, while serving in the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 3 March 1945, in Germany. In storing their personal equipment in a billet, one of the men in Private First Class Michnowsky's squad accidentally kicked a hand grenade, dislodging the pin. Private First Class Michnowsky shouted to the others to leave the room and seized the grenade and placed it in his helmet. Before the men got through the door, the grenade exploded, shattering the helmet but causing no injury. Private First Class Michnowsky's quick action and disregard for personal safety, saved the lives of all the men in the room. Entered military service from New Jersey.

III. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third

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United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant William P. Schimeneck, 33482441, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 3 February 1945 to 17 March 1945, in Germany. Commanding a platoon consisting largely of newly arrived reinforcements, Staff Sergeant Schimeneck led his men with disregard to personal safety. On 15 March 1945, at the risk of exposing himself to sniper fire, he crawled forward to an advantageous position to direct artillery fire on enemy positions. On 16 March 1945, when his platoon needed the support of heavy weapons, Staff Sergeant Schimeneck worked his way across open terrain and secured mortar fire. On 17 March 1945, as he was trying to reach a point from which he could adjust artillery and mortar fire on the enemy, he was severely wounded, but continued on to bring his mission to successful completion. Staff Sergeant Schimeneck's courage, superior leadership and untiring devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel Elmer Schmierer, (then Major) 024531, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. When he was notified that an enemy division commander was ready to negotiate for surrender of his command, Lieutenant Colonel Schmierer, without regard for personal safety, went toward the enemy Command Post. Although forced back once by a deadly hail of machine gun fire, Lieutenant Colonel Schmierer made repeated attempts and finally reached the enemy Command Post. His cool, determined and commanding manner convinced the enemy commander to accept his terms. These courageous actions on the part of Lieutenant Colonel Schmierer reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

V. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Ray Brown, Jr, 0540736, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Under First Lieutenant Brown's superior leadership, his platoon broke through the enemy lines and continued toward their objective. When the platoon was surrounded by an enemy company of infantry, First Lieutenant Brown kept his platoon under control and held the ground he had gained. The rest of his company soon moved up on his flanks and he was able to move on to his objective. The courage and initiative displayed by First Lieutenant Brown reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Mexico.

Second Lieutenant Kenneth C. Williamson, 0545699, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 22 March 1945, in Germany. During an intense artillery barrage, Second Lieutenant Williamson crawled 400 yards across open terrain to an advantageous position. Even though he was constantly sniped at, he stuck at his post directing mortar fire on the enemy positions until they were neutralized and his company could advance to their objective with a minimum of casualties. The courage displayed by Second Lieutenant Williamson reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

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Chief Warrant Officer James M. [redacted], W-2121028, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Observing a number of rounds of mortar ammunition in a burning building, Chief Warrant Officer Wheeler, without hesitation, dashed into the flaming building and carried round after round of ammunition to safety. Even though his hands were severely burned, he continued with his mission until all the ammunition was removed from the building. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Chief Warrant Officer Wheeler reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant Anton Lejsek, 35524195, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon was pinned down, Technical Sergeant Lejsek, with utter disregard for personal safety, crawled forward over an open field amid heavy enemy fire to an advantageous position. From this point, he directed tank and artillery fire on the enemy positions until they were neutralized. Although wounded by this action, Technical Sergeant Lejsek crawled to the rear and only after giving his commander all the details on his observation would he permit himself to be evacuated. This courageous act performed by Technical Sergeant Lejsek reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Francis J. Cunningham, 33492556, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 March 1945 and 11 March 1945, in Germany. When a salvo of enemy shells landed in his platoon's area, Staff Sergeant Cunningham immediately took control of the situation. He led his men to relatively safe cover and then returned to render aid to the casualties and arranged for their evacuation. He then led his men in an attack which succeeded in routing the enemy. This heroic act and courage displayed by Staff Sergeant Cunningham reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Albert W. Suitt, 33559864, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 March 1945, in Germany. When his patrol was fired upon by an enemy machine gun, Staff Sergeant Suitt, with disregard for personal safety, crawled forward alone to locate the enemy position. The information secured by him enabled our artillery to knock out the enemy gun and permitted his company to advance with little opposition. This heroic act of Staff Sergeant Suitt reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Third Grade Eugene F. McNamara, 33407145, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. During a withdrawal under a heavy enemy mortar barrage, Technician Third Grade McNamara, with utter disregard for personal safety, went about administering first aid to the wounded. He then organized a group of men to evacuate the casualties. After reaching the aid station, although utterly exhausted, he continued with this work until the wounded were taken care of. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Third Grade McNamara reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade Robert B. Steffin, 33493350, Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 April 1945, in Germany. While on guard duty in his battery area, Technician Fifth Grade Steffin noticed a movement in nearby underbrush. Upon investigating, he saw two enemy soldiers fleeing for cover. After a short fire fight, he took the enemy prisoners and later he had captured an enemy Army Group Commander and his aide. The alertness and quick actions of Technician Fifth Grade Steffin reflect credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Donald V. Brown, 35828623, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Observing two enemy look-outs crawling toward the rear, Private First Class Brown, without hesitation, raced in pursuit. He was successful in capturing the look-outs without firing a shot with the result that his company captured their objective before the enemy knew they were being attacked. Private First Class Brown's quick thinking and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class John J. Moran, 31457028, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When one of his buddies lay wounded in an exposed position, Private First Class Moran crawled through a hail of enemy automatic fire to his aid. After administering first aid, he carried the wounded man to cover and secured litter bearers to remove him to an aid station. The heroic act of Private First Class Moran reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private Willie W. Long, 38657577, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945, in Germany. While under fire by a group of determined enemy occupying a strong point, Private Long's entire company was pinned down. Disregarding the withering fire of the enemy, Private Long crept and crawled to a position from which he delivered a devastating fire on the enemy which routed them from their position. This courageous action performed by Private Long reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private Joseph M. Sa, 31434332, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When one of his buddies lay wounded in an exposed position, Private Sa crawled through a hail of enemy automatic fire to his aid. After administering first aid, he carried the wounded man to cover and secured litter bearers to remove him to an aid station. The heroic act of Private Sa reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 99TH INFANTRY DIVISION)—Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 1 November 1944 to 1 April 1945.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted man are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Harry C. Parker, 0525246, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Ordered to counter-attack with his mine platoon, many of whom had had no infantry training, First Lieutenant Parker quickly sized up the critical situation. Then, ordering his men to fix bayonets, he gallantly led them in a bayonet charge, forcing the enemy to retreat and freeing an overrun company command post. The suddenness and fearlessness of First Lieutenant Parker's bold attack carried him into contact with a surrounded platoon which he quickly reorganized and deployed in defensive positions. Unmindful of the concentrated fire poured upon his area, First Lieutenant Parker heroically patrolled the area for more than twenty-four hours, checking his men and positions. These gallant acts performed by First Lieutenant Parker reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Vermont.

Private First Class Joseph Werner, 38651783, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 April 1945, in Germany. As lead scout for his company, Private First Class Werner discovered an enemy anti-aircraft position which was hampering the advance of his company. With utter disregard for personal safety, he crawled forward and then rushed the position, capturing the crew. His movement was detected by another gun crew which poured a withering fire upon him. Although wounded, Private First Class Werner assaulted the second position, again capturing gun and crew. By these gallant acts, Private First Class Werner brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant William S. Mahaffey, 01171266, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. During a counter-attack by the enemy in the dark of night and amid an artillery barrage, First Lieutenant Mahaffey moved forward to an exposed position. From the light of bursting shells and by the use of his watch, he plotted coordinates for artillery fire on the enemy, resulting in complete disorganization of the counter-attack. This courageous act performed by First Lieutenant Mahaffey reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

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Technical Sergeant William R. Schultz, 35571629, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. In attacking over open ground, Technical Sergeant Schultz's platoon was pinned down by murderous fire from enemy machine guns. Exposing himself to this fire, Technical Sergeant Schultz directed the withdrawal of his platoon and then half-carried and half-dragged four casualties to safety. The display of courage and devotion to duty by Technical Sergeant Schultz reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Bruce D. Mather, 11079651, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Assigned the mission of wiping out an enemy machine gun nest, Staff Sergeant Mather crawled forward amid a hail of enemy small arms fire. He suddenly stood upright and charged the enemy position. This courageous act stunned the enemy, enabling Staff Sergeant Mather to capture the emplacement. This display of courage by Staff Sergeant Mather reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant Richard J. Vrzak, 35591355, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. In an advance, Staff Sergeant Vrzak's platoon ran into heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire. He moved his mortar section to the rear and set them up in a defensive position and then, exposing himself to enemy fire, made his way to the forward position of his platoon. He quickly organized his men into groups and moved them to positions more favorable to pressing the attack. The initiative and courage displayed by Staff Sergeant Vrzak is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Chic.

Sergeant Ralph G. Fleming, 38534177, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 December 1944, in Belgium. While leading a patrol through deep snow and in difficult wooded terrain, Sergeant Fleming, without regard for personal safety, charged an enemy dugout and killed the occupants. His action brought heavy enemy small arms fire upon the patrol. Taking a radio, he crawled through this hail of enemy fire to an advantageous position from which he called down artillery fire on the enemy's position. The aggressiveness and courage displayed by Sergeant Fleming is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant Lawrence J. Martin, 36188579, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in Germany. When his company was threatened to be cut off from the rest of the battalion, Sergeant Martin, assistant forward observer for a cannon company, crawled to an exposed position. Amid a hail of enemy mortar and small arms fire, he stuck to his position directing fire on the enemy installations until the threat was nullified. This heroic act of Sergeant Martin's reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant Floyd W. Robb, 37555638, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by enemy fire, Sergeant Robb, disregarding the deadly hail of enemy artillery and small arms fire, reconnoitered for a route of withdrawal. Finding one, he returned and fearlessly led his platoon to safety without a loss. This courageous act performed by Sergeant Robb reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Private First Class Virgle Blackburn, 35767132, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. While acting as forward observer for his platoon, Private First Class Blackburn was observed by the enemy and his position placed under fire by mortars and artillery. Realizing the importance of his mission, he remained at his position and continued relaying the location of the enemy to his

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platoon leader thus enabling the town to be captured without a single casualty. The courage displayed by Private First Class Blackburn reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Phillip DeBerry, 34591836, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an enemy position, Private First Class DeBerry's platoon was pinned down by fire from enemy tanks and automatic weapons. Without hesitation and with disregard for personal safety, he volunteered to crawl to the rear with an important message for his battalion commander. Completing this mission he returned over the same route under a withering fire to deliver a message to his company commander. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class DeBerry reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Carl Hughes, 34338952, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When the sound power line used by the artillery and mortar observers was blown by enemy artillery, Private First Class Hughes crawled through a hail of small arms fire and repaired the break. He continued patrolling this line, repairing breaks for more than twenty-four hours. Returning from this mission, he volunteered to repair the sound power line from his company to battalion, working during darkness under heavy enemy fire. The untiring devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Hughes is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Jack L. Kersey, 34934030, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Although handicapped by a radio strapped on his back, Private First Class Kersey worked his way forward through heavy small arms fire and intense flak fire in order to have his radio available at all times for his forward observer. By this untiring attention to duty, he aided materially in the destruction of three enemy guns. The devotion to duty and courageous act performed by Private First Class Kersey reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class Lee R. Mullett, 35593242, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. While driving his vehicle laden with ammunition across a heavily shelled bridge, Private First Class Mullett and six others were wounded by shell fragments. Realizing the necessity of keeping the bridge open, he went on to the other side and took the wounded men to an aid station. Refusing to stay at the aid station after having his wounds treated, he continued on to his destination. The devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Mullett reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Paul Panko, 33407102, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. When his machine gun was assigned the mission of covering the withdrawal of a platoon, Private First Class Panko unhesitatingly made trip after trip through heavy mortar and small arms fire to procure additional ammunition. By his untiring devotion to duty, Private First Class Panko was instrumental in keeping his gun in action and permitting the platoon to withdraw to safety. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private John Marcisin, 42104695, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Seeing the first scout of his squad hit by enemy fire, Private Marcisin moved forward to his aid. Driven back repeatedly by heavy small arms fire, he kept attempting to reach the wounded man. Finally, disregarding the incessant enemy fire, he crawled forward and succeeded in removing the wounded man to safety and then rendered first aid. The courageous act performed by Private Marcisin in the face of the enemy reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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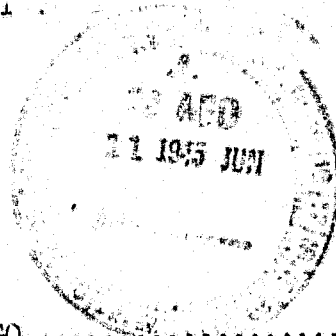
IV. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section I, General Orders 49, dated 27 May 1945, as pertains to Private First Class Fred K. Lewis, 33466117, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, as reads: "AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD--POSTHUMOUSLY--BRONZE STAR MEDAL".

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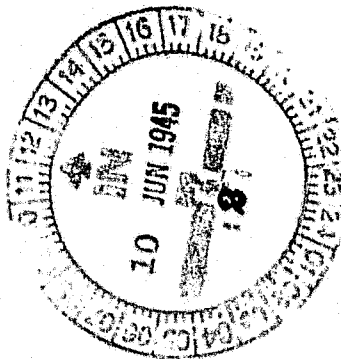
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I. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 629TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION)—Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Headquarters Company, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 2 July 1944 to 25 April 1945.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant John W. Stewart, 35577735, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 April 1945, in Germany. When his company was pinned down by sniper fire, Staff Sergeant Stewart led his patrol to the rear of the enemy positions and destroyed them. He then led his squad against enemy antiaircraft positions, capturing the first gun intact. Wounded by enemy machine gun fire, he refused aid and continued to lead his squad in the attack which resulted in the capture of many more antiaircraft guns, machine guns, and prisoners. Staff Sergeant Stewart's untiring devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Robert B. Krueger, 37570390, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Given the mission of crossing a swift flowing river and to establish a beachhead on the opposite bank, Private First Class Krueger proceeded to cross the stream, but in doing so was wounded by heavy enemy fire. Despite his painful wound, he continued and reached the opposite bank. Setting up his Browning Automatic Rifle, he laid down effective fire causing enemy action to decrease. Because of his courageous action and devotion to duty it was possible for the remaining members of his company to effect the river crossing without any further casualties. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Second Lieutenant Lester E. Vangilder, 02008459, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an enemy fortified village, it was necessary that enemy antiaircraft guns be silenced. With disregard for personal safety, Second Lieutenant Vangilder crawled toward the enemy until he spotted their position. By means of a radio he contacted his mortar platoon and directed their fire until three enemy antiaircraft guns were destroyed and the supporting infantry routed. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Second Lieutenant Frank E. York, 02005309, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Without hesitation, Second Lieutenant York volunteered for the dangerous mission of leading the advance party in the battalion's withdrawal. About half way through a draw, the party was hit by a mortar barrage and pinned down. Without hesitation and disregarding personal safety, Second Lieutenant York crawled forward to investigate and after contacting a friendly unit, was able to have the barrage lifted. Through his initiative, courage, and outstanding leadership, Second Lieutenant York safely led several hundred men to safety. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant Ray B. Billups, 39077570, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 December 1944 to 23 March 1945, in Germany. On 18 December 1944, although a heavy enemy artillery barrage was concentrated on the area, Technical Sergeant Billups moved his platoon into the area and set up a defensive position. Again on 3 January 1945, as his platoon was attacking, it ran into heavy mortar fire. Technical Sergeant Billups went about coolly assigning positions to the members of his platoon. So well did he do this that not a man was wounded. The outstanding leadership and untiring devotion to duty displayed by Technical Sergeant Billups reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant William Bratton, 35676068, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Leading his platoon through intense enemy fire, Technical Sergeant Bratton inspired his men with his bravery and fiery enthusiasm to destroy the enemy. On the drive on an enemy town, he stood upright, disregarding the withering small arms fire, and led his men in an assault on the enemy's position resulting in opening the way for his company to capture the town with a minimum of casualties and on time. Technical Sergeant Bratton's coolness, courage and heroic actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant Paul C. Crick, 36448650, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 November 1944 and 30 January 1945, in Germany. On 18 November 1944, when his patrol leader was seriously wounded by an antipersonnel mine, Staff Sergeant Crick rendered aid and stood guard in the vicinity of enemy patrols until litter bearers arrived. During an attack on 30 January 1945, two of his men were seriously wounded. Disregarding enemy fire, he administered aid to the wounded and as a result sustained a painful wound himself. When aid men arrived in his vicinity he crept towards a defiladed position, enabling the aid men to evacuate him without serious danger to themselves. His courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Staff Sergeant Albert A. Scisser, 36002647, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Daringly committing his heavy machine gun section in the face of intense enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Scisser reduced the fire superiority of the enemy and enabled the rifle troops of the company to move to more covered positions. When his exposed position became untenable, he directed the displacement of his section to another position. Crawling through a heavy concentration of fire, Staff Sergeant Scisser went to the rescue of a wounded man and carried him to safety. The untiring devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant Scisser reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Joe T. Blagg, 35524646, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. During an artillery barrage, Sergeant Blagg went about calming his men and assigning new positions to them. Assuring himself that his men had as

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much cover as possible, he crawled across open terrain to an advantageous spot. Locating the enemy guns, he called down artillery fire on them until they were silenced, with the result that his company's advance was not impeded. This courageous and timely act of Sergeant Blagg reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Beverly E. Marshall, 33628157, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. While his convoy was waiting to cross a congested and heavily shelled river bridge, the lead vehicle of the convoy received a direct hit by enemy artillery, thus blocking the entrance to the bridge. Without hesitation and with complete disregard for personal safety, Corporal Marshall obtained a tow rope and secured one end to the wrecked vehicle and the other end to another vehicle and removed it from the entrance of the bridge. He then rendered superior first aid to the injured men. Entered military service from Virginia.

Corporal Melvin P. Stallman, 35718034, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. When an enemy flak gun pinned down his company, Corporal Stallman, with disregard for personal safety, crawled to an exposed position and set up his machine gun. From this advantageous spot, he poured a withering fire on the enemy position. Although wounded, he continued firing until the enemy gun was silenced. This courageous act performed by Corporal Stallman reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles P. Dubel, 11023516, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Belgium and Germany. Volunteering to repair breaks in the communication lines, caused by heavy enemy artillery, Technician Fifth Grade Dubel, with disregard for personal safety, crawled along the line. Finding it impossible to repair, he returned and after securing new wire, replaced the old one. Later the same day, after his battalion had withdrawn, it was discovered that much needed equipment had been left behind. Again he volunteered and traveled through heavy sniper fire and secured the equipment. The courage and untiring devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Dubel reflect great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Private First Class George R. Melvin, 35072011, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Crawling through heavy enemy sniper fire, Private First Class Melvin crawled to a spot fifty yards in front of his company and established an outpost. During the night, the enemy attacked twice but were driven back both times by his heavy fire and hand grenades. The following day, when a sniper kept firing at his position, Private First Class Melvin crawled forward under heavy fire and silenced the sniper. The courage and untiring devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Melvin reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Norman J. Quist, 32581151, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Although wounded by flying shrapnel, Private First Class Quist continued with his work of administering first aid to the wounded. Refusing to be evacuated he worked on until all the injured were treated and then went for treatment himself. The untiring devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Quist reflects great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

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Private First Class Louis C. Theiss, 37618549, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Under withering enemy fire, Private First Class Theiss crawled forward to three wounded men lying in an exposed position. He successfully evacuated two of the men and in the attempt to rescue the third, he was wounded. In spite of his wound, Private First Class Theiss refused to be evacuated until he had cared for the rescued men. This heroic and unselfish act of Private First Class Theiss reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private first Class John R. Watkins, 34904066, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. Given the mission of establishing an outpost fifty yards in front of his company's position, Private First Class Watkins crawled through heavy sniper fire to the position. During the night, the enemy made two attempts to infiltrate past the outpost but each time was repulsed by the concentrated fire of Private First Class Watkins. Enduring intermittent small arms fire throughout the following day, Private First Class Watkins was instrumental in securing the left flank of his company against counter-attacks by the enemy. Entered military service from Tennessee.

IV. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section IV, General Orders #6, dated 23 May 1945, as reads: "Private First Class Louis Kaziol, 36764076, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army", is amended to read: "Private First Class Louis Kaziol, 36764076, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army".

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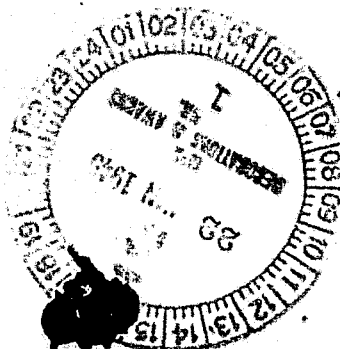
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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted man are awarded the silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Earl V. Bennett, 01312505, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Following an artillery and smoke preparation, First Lieutenant Bennett led his company across a river in an attempt to establish a beachhead. They were met with a heavy hail of enemy automatic and small arms fire. Although seriously wounded, First Lieutenant Bennett continued to direct his men in their assault. Exposing himself many times to the enemy fire, he went about for three hours directing his company's fire and making disposition of his men. Assuring himself that his company had secured the beachhead, First Lieutenant Bennett allowed himself to be evacuated. This gallant act, outstanding leadership and untiring devotion to duty displayed by First Lieutenant Bennett reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant Walter J. Holda, 36368054, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. As his company approached an enemy town, it was met with intense fire from machine guns, flak guns and small arms. With disregard for personal safety, Technical Sergeant Holda crept forward to an advantageous position from which he directed an effective barrage of mortar fire on the enemy positions. Not satisfied with the firing position of one of his machine guns, he brought the gun to his position and poured an effective fire on the enemy while he directed the mortar fire. As a result of this heroic act on the part of Technical Sergeant Holda, he completely disorganized the enemy and inflicted many casualties upon them and destroyed much of their equipment. Entered military service from Illinois.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Farris F. Block, 38417766, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. In an advance, Staff Sergeant Block's company was cut into three elements by the enemy. Disregarding personal safety and amid a hail of sniper fire, he crawled about until he found part of the company. This group he quickly organized into a fighting team and attacked the enemy from the rear. Disposing of this threat, Staff Sergeant Block was able to join forces with another part of his company and under his direction and leadership, the combined force was able to contact the remainder of the surrounded men. This gallant act and superior leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant Block reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Staff Sergeant Carl A. Del Pizzo, 35524010, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Under heavy machine gun fire, Staff Sergeant Del Pizzo volunteered to lead his squad

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to neutralize the enemy fire. When his squad was pinned down, he crept forward over open terrain and, in order to draw the enemy fire from his squad, stood upright and ran a short distance and then hit the ground. By this action, it was possible for his squad to advance and take the enemy strong points. By his gallant act and devotion to duty, Staff Sergeant Del Pizzo brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Floyd B. McWilliams, 36913637, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Despite the fact that heavy enemy machine gun fire was pinning down his company, Private First Class McWilliams set up his gun on an exposed knoll and engaged the enemy guns. In the ensuing fire fight, he destroyed two enemy machine guns though he was without rifle support and was the principal target for heavy enemy fire. Remaining at his gun throughout the night, Private First Class McWilliams delivered effective fire upon the enemy and materially aided the advance of the rifle troops. His courage and untiring devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Second Lieutenant Guy T. Harrison, 02005330, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Amid a hail of enemy machine gun fire, Second Lieutenant Harrison went about picking suitable positions for his machine gun section. He then personally led them to these positions and directed their fire on the enemy positions with the result that two enemy machine gun crews were routed and this permitted the infantry to advance. Changing the direction of his section's fire, he placed it on the enemy's route of retreat, allowing the infantry to capture many prisoners. Entered military service from Texas.

Staff Sergeant Raymond E. Flick, (then Private First Class) 35927990, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 January 1945, in Belgium. Realizing the dangers involved, Staff Sergeant Flick unhesitatingly volunteered for the duty of scout on a patrol deep into enemy territory. When enemy flares hampered the patrol's progress, Staff Sergeant Flick went on alone and coming upon an enemy outpost, crept forward and captured the sentries. These prisoners gave invaluable information which helped in the battalion's attack the following day. The courage displayed by Staff Sergeant Flick reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff sergeant Cecil D. Hetrick, 33259258, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945, in Germany. Spotted by the enemy as they endeavored to reach a high point of ground, Staff Sergeant Hetrick's squad was met by intense enemy small arms fire. He withdrew the squad to a more covered position. Taking a radio, he crawled forward to a vantage point where he could observe the enemy position. Amid a hail of enemy fire, he clung to his post and called down artillery on their positions, exacting a severe toll, both in men and equipment, on the enemy. The display of courage and initiative by Staff Sergeant Hetrick is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant William M. Junod, 16039224, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When enemy artillery fire constantly kept breaking the communication line from the forward observer to the rear, Staff Sergeant Junod volunteered to mend the breaks. Although subjected to enemy sniper fire,

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he crawled out time and again to splice the breaks thus making it possible for our artillery to silence the enemy guns. The unflinching courage and adamant devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant Junod reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Ray J. Leach, 35616680, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Given the mission of finding and destroying two enemy machine guns, Staff Sergeant Leach moved over open terrain with two volunteers. Running unexpectedly into one of the machine gun nests, he quickly caused its surrender. During this action the attention of the second machine gun crew was attracted. Through a hail of deadly fire, he advanced and annihilated this crew. His determination and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Dolmar E. Runge, 16074332, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. When his squad was given the mission of destroying an enemy machine gun nest, Staff Sergeant Runge displayed outstanding leadership in deploying his men in advantageous positions. With disregard for personal safety, he moved out alone and advanced cautiously toward the enemy. Moving in on the flank, he shot one of the crew and routed the others. By this courageous act, Staff Sergeant Runge reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal William S. Burns, 35929171, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Realizing the danger of the mission, Corporal Burns unhesitatingly volunteered to carry bazooka ammunition to a pinned down bazooka team. Obtaining the ammunition from the rear, he crawled forward through a deadly grazing enemy fire for 500 yards and delivered the ammunition. The devotion to duty and courage displayed by Corporal Burns is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Michael Gudzan, 13002141, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 March 1945, in Germany. Volunteering for the dangerous mission of reconnoitering the enemy positions in the front of his company, Corporal Gudzan moved out across open terrain. Working his way to within 20 yards of the enemy undetected, Corporal Gudzan was able to secure much valuable information. Through this information, it was possible for our troops to advance to their objective without being impeded. The display of courage by Corporal Gudzan is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Raymond Patterson, 33445775, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Refusing to wait until enemy fire had subsided, Corporal Patterson crept and crawled amid enemy artillery and small arms fire to the aid of several wounded men. After rendering superior first aid, he carried the more seriously wounded men to cover and arranged for their further evacuation to the aid station. The untiring devotion to duty displayed by Corporal Patterson reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class James E. Huntley, 36743265, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Crawling ahead of his platoon to within 100 yards of the enemy, Private First Class Huntley, using a sniper rifle, began picking off the members of an enemy machine gun crew. Although constantly under direct fire of this machine gun, he remained at his hazardous task and the gun was silenced. The courage displayed by Private First Class Huntley reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

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Private First Class Carl L. Longway, 36838038, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. When a burst from an enemy machine gun killed the artillery observer radio man, Private First Class Longway, without hesitation and with utter disregard for personal safety, left his cover and crawled forward and retrieved the radio. Having recovered the radio, it was possible to call down artillery fire and completely rout the enemy. This display of courage by Private First Class Longway reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class Robert A. Nye, 35617109, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. As his platoon was in the process of clearing a town of the enemy, it was pinned down by an enemy machine gun. With utter disregard for personal safety, Private First Class Nye, a machine gunner, crawled forward with his gun and fired upon the enemy. So effective was his fire that the enemy was dislodged and his platoon continued with its mission. The courage displayed by Private First Class Nye is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Oliver L. Watt, 13090116, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. When a burst from an enemy machine gun killed the artillery observer's radio man, Private First Class Watt, with no hesitation and with utter disregard for personal safety, left his cover and crawled forward to retrieve the radio. Having recovered the radio, it was possible to call down artillery fire and completely rout the enemy. The courage displayed by Private First Class Watt reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

OK } IV. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: ✓ So much of Section I, General Orders 50, dated 28 May 1945, as pertains to Private First Class James P. Shannon, 17125529, 395th Infantry, United States Army, as reads: "AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL".

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel Philip R. Beckjord, 0366568, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Lieutenant Colonel Ralph J. King, 0255695, 657th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 March 1945 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Major Alvin E. Moyer, 0334501, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 November 1944 to 25 April 1945, in United Kingdom, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain Cornelius M. Butler, 01171072, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Chief Warrant Officer Irving Masur, T-2108683, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

Master Sergeant Earl C. Bird, 37094655, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 February 1945 to 20 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Master Sergeant George E. Herrmann, 35593991, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 10 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Sergeant Vincent F. Parkhill, 36002940, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 through 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant Edward Schwartz, 36178169, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 10 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

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Staff Sergeant Carl T. Crack, 33627672, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Sergeant Roland M. Dorr, 35676119, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant Robert E. Wakefield, 33407127, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 21 December 1944 to 20 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Andrew B. Edsell, 33456867, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal Richard B. Rupe, 35675071, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 through 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Benjamin J. Silver, 33563054, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 through 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class Dietrich Rempel, 37196521, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers were awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal:

First Lieutenant Charles L. Proctor, 01176768, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 25 January 1945 and 21 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Lieutenant Herbert B. M. Sears, 0515506, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 26 January 1945 and 30 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

III. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Air Medal:

Second Lieutenant John R. Fair, 0927644, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 16 December 1944 to 25 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

IV. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army,

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26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel Nevelle E. McKinney, O3 77, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth T. Miller, O395534, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant Marshall E. Matteson, O1312579, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technical Sergeant Howard E. Klink, (then Staff Sergeant) 33682800, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Otis H. Chambers, 35719281, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant Grover Farbin, 36958308, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Vito Frenzo, 42088610, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 4 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant Dale O. Graves, 35593237, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 20 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Leon B. Lanchart, 38069920, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Joseph L. Brown, 36970487, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant James G. C'ower, 01172804, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

First Lieutenant Robert L. Fountain, 01299871, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant James E. Storey, 01185317, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 16 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant William M. Todd, 01300416, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade Thomas W. Kimball, W-2132214, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant Joseph H. Ament, 36204151, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Sergeant Earl V. Waite, 7032077, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technical Sergeant Kirtland A. Adams, 33492083, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Dean T. McKenzie, 37723617, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

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Staff Sergeant Glenn E. Moore, 35593268, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 February 1945 to 16 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Horbert V. Niethamer, 33299741, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Virgin L. Royse, 18147863, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Frank R. Vecchio, 39383308, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 November 1944 to 16 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

Sergeant Billy R. Godwin, 18169504, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 6 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Technician Fifth Grade James F. Busch, 35592816, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal:

First Lieutenant William A. Hacklin, 01175219, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 18 March 1945 and 16 April 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant Charles E. Whitehead, 0544397, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 21 January 1945 and 23 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal:

Sergeant Grover Farbin, 36958308, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Technician Fourth Grade Joe W. Scasny, 35154335, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Elmer G. Mauldin, 34685453, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

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IV. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Private First Class George S. Bedsworth, 34857705, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Benjamin W. Bryan, 37600572, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Roland N. Hays, 38021567, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Reuben S. Lambert, Jr, 35793169, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 7 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Charles Ferrine, 33388078, 370th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class John L. White, 34666209, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private Lawson C. Andrews, 34975504, 324th Engineer Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private Billie W. Sisemore, 44038494, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private Walter Sussman, 33811965, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 February 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Lieutenant Colonel Andrew R. Lolli, 0335629, 170th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 21 March 1945 to 16 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain Arthur Decker, 01300137, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Captain Raymond P. McElroy, 0294976, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain James G. Tynan, 0470424, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 November 1944 to 15 April 1945, in the United Kingdom, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

First Lieutenant James F. Coonan, 01323405, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

First Lieutenant Philip C. Gilmore, 0538609, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

First Lieutenant Jackson W. Goss, 01320039, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 6 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

First Lieutenant Ernest E. Thompson, 01296292, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

First Lieutenant Julius Weisglass, 01300435, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 December 1944 to 8 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Master Sergeant Harley Harrington, 6245315, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

Master Sergeant Simmie J. Hilliard, 39151179, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant Harold J. E. Blank, 35571684, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technical Sergeant Charles Williams, 18201399, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 February 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Staff Sergeant Amos S. Brand, 37071069, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 4 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Staff Sergeant Edward M. Davis, 33084974, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 December 1944 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant James A. Fritz, (then Sergeant) 33402594, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Martin W. Hofmaier, 16004427, 99th Quartermaster Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Technician Fourth Grade John R. Cain, (then Corporal) 35616459, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Furney W. Brittain, 34464349, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Spencer P. Hoopes, 39592006, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 January 1945 to 4 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

II. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in paragraph 3, section 1, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

First Lieutenant Harrison M. Adams, 01291381, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Chief Warrant Officer James M. Macolor, W-2121028, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

First Sergeant James J. Turley, 32495821, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Charles F. Conway, 35075421, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Jack H. Robohm, 39001539, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade William Weinstein, 33492638, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Donald E. Bishop, 35240585, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Garnett Woods, 34572556, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 13 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Harry S. Noide, 33947633, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class George A. Viscolosi, 31455310, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

OK } III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: ✓ So much of Section III, General Orders #56, dated 3 June 1945, pertaining to Technician Fourth Grade Joe W. Scasny, 35154335, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, as reads: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL".

OK } So much of Section V, General Orders #36, dated 8 May 1945, pertaining to Private Richard M. Dukos, 33585627, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, as reads: "AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL", is amended to read: "AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL".

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Andrew P. Sossoms, 34465081, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Sossoms was in charge of a section of "L" Company, attached to "K" Company, when the enemy staged a very strong counter-attack with automatic and small arms fire, anti-aircraft guns, and artillery. Staff Sergeant Sossoms displaced his guns to a favorable position and brought fire upon the enemy. Disregarding his wounds, he continued to direct fire upon the enemy and using his rifle, forced the enemy to withdraw. By this action, the rifle company to which his section was attached, was enabled to check the counter-attack and win and hold its objective. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant John E. Hammond, 33387538, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 April 1945, in Germany. As his company was moving into a town, the two leading platoons were pinned down by sniper fire. Sergeant Hammond left his squad behind to observe and silence the enemy positions. The enemy began firing frantically and Sergeant Hammond quickly spotted and neutralized this deadly sniper fire. Miraculously, Sergeant Hammond carried out this gallant deed unharmed. He then, with the help of his men, drove on and killed or captured all of the snipers. Sergeant Hammond's unsurpassable devotion to duty and courage reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Sergeant James P. Jordan, 12036247, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Jordan left a place of comparative safety so that he might save his tank destroyer from destruction by the enemy. Enemy troops to the front and left flank were covering the destroyer with intense fire from small arms and machine guns. An enemy 75mm SP Gun was firing constantly and causing damage. With utter disregard for his life and the concentrated enemy fire, Sergeant Jordan ran through the intense fire to the destroyer and guided it to safety. This distinguished courage reflected great credit upon himself and was an inspiration to everyone. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Jack R. Emery, 13044476, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Emery left a place of comparative safety so that he might save his tank destroyer from destruction by the enemy. Enemy troops to the front and left flank were covering the destroyer with intense fire from small arms and machine guns. An enemy 75mm SP Gun was firing constantly and causing damage. With utter disregard for his life and the concentrated enemy fire, Private First Class Emery ran through the intense fire to the destroyer and drove it to safety. This distinguished courage reflected great credit upon himself and was an inspiration to everyone. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Everett T. Rosales, 39579465, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 March 1945, in Germany. During a daylight patrol to clear some high ground west of the Weid River, Private First Class Rosales, first scout, killed two enemy snipers and forced the surrender of a machine gun nest by charging it single-handedly. Although his ammunition was exhausted at the time, and completely unmindful of the danger involved, Private First Class Rosales charged the position with an unloaded weapon. As a result of

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this gallant action, his squad was able to continue and to achieve its mission of cleaning the hills and woods of the enemy. Entered military service from Arizona.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Technical Sergeant Joseph H. Lilley, 34464574, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 March 1945, in Germany. When necessary to climb a steep grade of two miles, Technical Sergeant Lilley, in charge of a heavy machine gun section supporting a rifle company, alternately relieved his gunners and ammunition bearers. He kept himself informed of the tactical situation and in addition reconnoitered for gun positions with the company commander. When five of his men were wounded, Technical Sergeant Lilley personally administered first aid to three and assisted them to cover, although forced to expose himself to sniper fire. Such an indomitable spirit and untiring devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Technical Sergeant Lilley and the military service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant Edward R. Bousum, 35570392, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 April 1945, in Germany. As Sergeant Bousum's heavy machine gun squad attempted to cross a bridge, a direct hit completely destroyed this bridge. Without hesitation, Sergeant Bousum carried the barrel over in waist-high water, returned for the tripod and formed his men in such a manner as to get the remaining equipment across, dry. In the ensuing battle, Sergeant Bousum carried a wounded man one-half mile to safety and later in the night, delivered a heavy barrage of fire that contained an enemy counter attack. The courageous acts performed by Sergeant Bousum are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Robert E. Corley, 32683287, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Corley, in charge of a machine gun squad in support of a rifle platoon, took over his section when the section leader was wounded by a burst of enemy fire. When the riflemen were pinned down in open terrain by withering fire, Sergeant Corley directed fire on the installation enabling the troops to withdraw to cover. Then he withdrew his section, reorganized it, advised his platoon leader, and continued on in close support of the riflemen until the assigned objective had been taken. These courageous acts of Sergeant Corley's reflect great credit upon him and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Arthur Duszynski, 32833899, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. During a fire fight when confusion was paramount, Sergeant Duszynski calmly and on his own initiative, led his troops through enemy shell fire to a defensive position, permitting the withdrawal of a large part of the company on the right flank. Then, disregarding his own personal safety, Sergeant Duszynski led his men through an enemy mine field to the chosen position. The courage and initiative displayed by Sergeant Duszynski reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Joseph A. Leschetsko, 42010898, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Leschetsko, while in a forward assembly area, became suspicious of a house several hundred yards from a town. He burst into the house and took eight Panzermen by surprise. In questioning them, he learned the position of their tank which our forces later destroyed. They also revealed information which proved valuable in taking the next objective. The initiative and personal bravery of Sergeant Leschetsko reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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Sergeant John B. Rembert, 14192067, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 April 1945, in Germany. When the enemy allowed half his company to cross an open field before opening fire with heavy mortar and machine gun fire, Sergeant Rembert, communications sergeant, knowing the necessity of his company commander having communications by use of the radio he had, in order to neutralize the enemy fire, crossed the field after seeing three of his comrades fall in the same attempt. By virtue of this daring action, the company commander established communications and the deadly enemy fire was neutralized. The courageous performance of Sergeant Rembert is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Sergeant Roger M. Shehan, 35689313, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Ordering his squad to take scant cover afforded by open terrain, Sergeant Shehan undertook a personal reconnaissance to determine the location of a 20mm anti-aircraft gun which was firing on them. Stunned by a sniper's bullet, he later regained consciousness, sighted the gun and estimated the range. After working back to his gun, two rounds from his mortar silenced the enemy gun. Later it was revealed that Sergeant Shehan's tenacity of purpose and cool thinking had resulted in the shattering of the gun and the deaths of nine enemy. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade Theodore R. Zimmerman, Jr., 33493346, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Crossing sixty yards of fire-swept terrain to recover a radio which the crew was carrying for him until commitment to action, Technician Fifth Grade Zimmerman retrieved his radio from a tank destroyer. Done without regard for personal safety and on his own initiative, it made possible the directing of fire missions which resulted in the accomplishment of the infantry mission in which heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy and many prisoners taken. This courageous action and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Zimmerman reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class David H. Bassham, 34984385, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. In the advance on Ellingin, Germany, Private First Class Bassham first sighted an enemy column moving parallel with his own. He employed assault fire and advanced aggressively, alone, toward the enemy. Feeling that he couldn't catch them in time, he sent word back, urging that his platoon try to cut off the enemy's route of withdrawal. Closer contact being impossible because of a sizeable river between them, Private First Class Bassham ran along the bank continuing his harassing fire on the enemy and enabling his column to move along undisturbed. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Edward Ireson, Jr., 33846413, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Moving through the semi-darkness of the dawn, Private First Class Ireson was first to enter a town. After enemy machine gun and sniper fire had killed or wounded most of the point squad, Private First Class Ireson continued the fire fight from his position in spite of relentless streams of small arms and 88mm fire. With shelling still in progress, he gave aid to the wounded and led them to cover. The heroic action and courage of Private First Class Ireson reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Tony F. Maricone, 33407273, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Maricone's motorized patrol became engaged in a fire fight in a gully with no field of fire for his machine gun. Trying to reach the top of a hill, two bullets pierced the water jacket of his gun. Using a shell hole as an emplacement, he put the battered gun into action, driving eight Germans from their hideout. Later, using the

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same gun, he fire to a house, drove out nineteen SS troops and four Hitler Jugend and enabled the capture of enemy equipment. The courageous action of Private First Class Maricone reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Salvatore J. Polito, 42107986, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. As the platoon, of which Private First Class Polito was a scout, came up from a small draw, it met withering grazing machine gun fire. Private First Class Polito, ignoring his personal safety, first by a series of short spurts and then by creeping and crawling, entered the woods within fifteen yards of the gun and on its left flank. From a prone position he hurled two grenades into the machine gun nest, killing three enemy and wounding the fourth. This creditable action reflects great credit on Private First Class Polito and the military service. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Charles Presto, 33259165, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. In a fire fight, four members of Private First Class Presto's company were wounded, but contact with the aid men could not be made as the rear elements were lost. Private First Class Presto, at great danger to himself, from the intense enemy fire, volunteered to regain contact with the aid men. He left his position, moved across several hundred yards of exposed terrain, and regained contact with the remainder of the company. By reason of the fearlessness and devotion to duty of Private First Class Presto, aid was administered to the wounded and they were evacuated. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Thomas W. Robinson, 38652846, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, Germany. During the attack on Honningen, Germany, Private First Class Robinson spotted a medic in an open space who had been hit by sniper fire. Each attempt to reach the suffering man availed nothing as he was driven back by the deadly fire of the sniper. Finally, enlisting the help of a machine gun squad which he had fire on the suspected enemy location, at a prearranged signal he reached the wounded man and pulled him back to safety. This courageous action was a great factor in saving the man's life and reflects great credit upon Private First Class Robinson and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class Calvin L. Smith, 35781808, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. In order to save his platoon from ambush, Private First Class Smith, the company runner, went to the platoon over a route on which one of his comrades had been killed and two wounded, trying to get an oral message through. Private First Class Smith proceeded cautiously, discovered a sniper, and killed him, causing another to flee. He then reached the platoon in time to save it from ambush. The resourcefulness and courage of Private First Class Smith reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Lavern A. Smith, 36432507, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Due to rough and wooded terrain and the distance between platoons, Private First Class Smith's platoon could not communicate with the rest of the company on its radio. Knowing the importance of maintaining communications, he volunteered to secure a radio from an adjacent unit. He set out in inky blackness through enemy territory to an adjacent company, a thousand yards away, and in due time returned with the radio. The great courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Smith reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Gordon V. Swank, 36184433, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the

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enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. In response to a call for medical aid by the battalion just ahead of his company, which was subjected to intense small arms and tank fire, Private First Class Swank crawled forward to render aid. Considering the life of a wounded man more important than the personal risk involved, he administered artificial respiration for an hour although constantly exposed to sniper fire. His willingness to risk his own life to save that of another and his heroic action reflect great credit upon Private First Class Swank and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class George L. Walters, 33383639, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 April 1945, in Germany. On high ground, heavy enemy artillery fell in the platoon area causing numerous casualties and wounding the aid man. Private First Class Walters volunteered his services, crawled from the safety of his foxhole and began treating the wounded. He continued his efforts in spite of incessant flak and 82mm fire, treated two casualties and made two trips to the rear to move the wounded to safety. Private First Class Walters' prompt and skillful action saved two lives and his courageous action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private Peter V. Vasquez, 39592350, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Private Vasquez, acting as an advance element in the point of a battalion column, personally outflanked an enemy emplacement which was part of a delaying action, routing three and wounding one. Later he found a platoon of German riflemen preparing to take position and harass the advancing column. Thinking they were overrun upon seeing him, the enemy abandoned their mission and fled. The initiative and courage displayed by Private Vasquez reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Private Joseph Zelonis, 6144755, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Private Zelonis, upon seeing some of his comrades pinned down by enemy fire as they approached a cleared area, moved his BAR to a position where he could bring effective fire on the enemy. On moving forward he was painfully wounded by a sniper's bullet but refused to turn back. He opened fire so effectively that the rest of the platoon was able to continue on to its objective. Such aggressiveness and heroic action by Private Zelonis are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Edward E. Mayer, 0423736, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Major Robert L. McKenny, 0382332, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain John M. Collins, 01296175, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 9 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain Harry L. Harris, 0318680, Headquarters 97th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 July 1944 to 15 April 1945, in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Captain James R. Kelsey, 01171220, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain Asa B. Lee, Jr., 0396253, 99th Quartermaster Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Captain Gerald N. Rubin, 0484538, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

~~Captain Clayton C. Sims, 01302537, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.~~

Captain Art K. Warwick, 01171409, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

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First Lieutenant Erskine W. Hightower, 0531841, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Percy J. Pace, 0531882, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 19 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

First Sergeant Randall B. Rittenhouse, 36050785, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technical Sergeant Robert H. Sutton, 35175669, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant Edward H. Vance, 35643035, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Howard C. Engelken, 35466231, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Third Grade Guy W. Thomas, 35689517, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant Paul R. Shibler, 35593612, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 22 November 1944 to 22 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade Leonard J. Buckner, 35689120, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade John Minnick, 33407221, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Gordon R. Gibson, 11119958, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Salvadore Pasqua, 35385734, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private Carl Rehde, 36955192, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-5, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal:

First Lieutenant J. C. Gaston, 01183519, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 16 March 1945 and 10 April 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Robert V. Kean, Jr., 0528786, Headquarters 99th Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 8 March 1945 and 11 April 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant William J. Little, 01170835, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 22 January 1945 and 24 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant James W. Ramsey, 01175282, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 5 March 1945 and 25 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

III. AWARD OF AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Air Medal:

Second Lieutenant Harold M. Collins, 01183493, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 2 March 1945 and 27 April 1945, in the European Theatre of Operations. Entered military service from California.

IV. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal:

Staff Sergeant Freddie A. Ullmann, 37089181, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Minnesota.

V. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

First Lieutenant Charles E. Lyon, 02049320, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Reginald S. Jeans, 33472453, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private Bobby Jones, 35236796, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Marshall B. Lee, 35572436, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 6 April 1945, in Germany. After leading his machine gun squad through heavy enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Lee heroically brought one of his wounded men back to safety. That night during an enemy counter-attack against his position, Staff Sergeant Lee gave covering fire to his section as they withdrew to better positions and then carried his machine gun and all the ammunition he could carry, to the new position. Immediately he set up his gun to hold off further counter-attacks. The gallant actions of Staff Sergeant Lee undoubtedly saved many lives, inspired his men to face the numerically superior enemy forces, and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

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* Private First Class Thomas R. Fugate, 35718927, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 December 1944, in Germany. As part of an assault team, Private First Class Fugate was among those wounded within 60 yards of enemy pill boxes. With utter disregard for his own wounds and under murderous enemy fire, Private First Class Fugate gallantly crawled from man to man, rendering first aid and giving moral support with almost unbelievable coolness until the order came to withdraw. Although painfully wounded, once inside friendly lines, Private First Class Fugate insisted that he be last evacuated. The gallant and unselfish efforts of Private First Class Fugate reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class John F. O'Donnell, 12220086, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. When his company was pinned down by a well dug-in enemy machine gun, Private First Class O'Donnell, with two other men, crawled forward to eliminate the position. Although the other two men were hit, he continued and gallantly assaulted the position alone, knocking it out with a hand grenade. Then, with complete disregard for his own safety, Private First Class O'Donnell rendered first aid to the wounded men and assisted them back to safety, while mortar and artillery shells landed all around him. These extraordinarily gallant acts performed by Private First Class O'Donnell reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

II. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Private First Class Steven J. Ruzic, 36593133, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Upon leading his machine gun squad to a position he had reconnoitered, the enemy laid down a heavy artillery barrage that pinned down the

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entire squad. Staying behind to offer encouragement and keep them dispersed, he placed them into positions but was fatally wounded himself by another barrage. Private First Class Ruzic's excellent qualities of leadership under heavy enemy fire inspired his men who subsequently attained their objective. The resourcefulness and courage displayed by Private First Class Ruzic are in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Michigan.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant John W. Brown, 02005395, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Upon reaching his objective, First Lieutenant Brown met a German regimental adjutant who wished to surrender his troops but who demanded an officer go along to conduct his troops safely through our lines. Unhesitatingly, First Lieutenant Brown left in an enemy Command Car, without any protection, to the enemy headquarters. Asked what his terms were, First Lieutenant Brown said he would ride the first vehicle through our lines and guarantee that they would not be fired upon. As a result, the entire German Regiment surrendered. The quick thinking and bold action of First Lieutenant Brown reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Idaho.

First Lieutenant Guy L. Wellman, Jr., 0521363, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. When a German Commander wished to surrender his forces to the senior officer of the attacking force, First Lieutenant Wellman volunteered to accompany a German motorcyclist back through enemy lines to get his commander. He accomplished this dangerous mission by courage and deliberate action in the midst of over a thousand enemy of unpredictable intentions. The audacity and devotion to duty of First Lieutenant Wellman resulted in the surrender of over a thousand enemy without loss of a life on either side. Such action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant Lorris A. Wilson, 35459675, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Technical Sergeant Wilson and his platoon came upon a heavily defended road block and a fierce fire fight resulted. Crawling up to the road block and using it as protection from the hail of bullets, Technical Sergeant Wilson quickly sized up the situation. Realizing the importance of the location, he called for his best marksmen who joined him in killing several Germans. The others surrendered and the platoon was able to move on to its objective. The keen foresight and aggressive action of Technical Sergeant Wilson are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant Ivan O. Bull, 37674766, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. In a bitter fire fight when confusion was paramount and troops were pinned down by enemy fire, Sergeant Bull calmly rounded up his men, led them through shell fire to a defensive position, and built up a skirmish line. Then, disregarding his own safety, he led his men through an enemy mine field to reach the chosen position. Sergeant Bull's magnificent spirit and initiative were instrumental in permitting the withdrawal of a large part of the company on the right flank and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Sergeant John A. Langione, 32603862, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Reconnoitering the area directly to the front of the attacking force, Sergeant Langione contacted entrenched enemy forces. Although severely wounded, he laid down a covering fire for the withdrawal of the members of his patrol. Then Sergeant Langione personally administered aid to the wounded

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before attempting to treat his own wounds. Upon returning to his company area, his information proved invaluable in the planning of the assigned mission. Such courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Sergeant Manjione and the military service. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant James J. Stinson, 35642864, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. His platoon was under heavy fire and a general withdrawal ordered. Knowing the danger of such an operations, Sergeant Stinson volunteered to keep up sustained fire with his light machine gun to occupy the attention of the enemy. Once a piece of enemy shrapnel cracked the steel jacket on his machine gun. Ordered to withdraw, Sergeant Stinson remained at his gun until personally convinced that the platoon had safely withdrawn. Still subjected to intense fire, Sergeant Stinson picked up his gun and successfully rejoined his outfit. This courageous act reflects great credit upon Sergeant Stinson and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal Claude W. Roberts, 14074035, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 April 1945, in Germany. When an enemy SP gun had his company pinned down, Corporal Roberts crawled over several hundred yards of exposed territory to within a few hundred yards of the gun. He then forced the enemy personnel to "button up" temporarily with a furious attack from his M-1, enabling his company to withdraw and make plans that eventually knocked out the gun. Still under observation of the SP gun, Corporal Roberts administered first aid to a wounded comrade and carried him to safety. The heroic action of Corporal Roberts is in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade Ernest W. Cole, 35675610, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Technician Fifth Grade Cole was given the assignment of maintaining wire communication between the battalion commander and the attacking echelons. He knew that it was of paramount importance that the wire lead move forward with the troops even though they met withering enemy fire on a sloping, reaching the top of a hill. Rather than risk the lives of his men, Technician Fifth Grade Cole personally layed the wire forward, often standing upright in order to climb the precipitous cliff with his heavy load. The perseverance and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Technician Fifth Grade Cole and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade Philip R. Goodnow, 33386564, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. To secure better radio contact with the Battalion Fire Direction Center, Technician Fifth Grade Goodnow traveled an unused route through enemy lines to deliver a radio to the Liaison Officer. While the latter made preliminary negotiations for the surrender of several thousand Germans, Technician Fifth Grade Goodnow provided protection and exposed himself to possible enemy fire. He aided in the actual capture of two hundred and fifty enemy soldiers and personally and unaided, collected and disarmed several hundred more. The courage and untiring devotion to duty of Technician Fifth Grade Goodnow reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class William M. Batson, 34966546, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Upon withdrawing to better positions in the face of a fierce enemy counter-attack, two men were seriously wounded on the open battlefield. Medics made brave attempts to reach them but were driven back by enemy fire. With the situation ostensibly hopeless, Private First Class Batson left the safety of his covered position, crawled through fire to the men, treated them and carried them back to safety. The heroic action of Private First Class Batson is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Carolina.

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Private First Class Clark L. Conley, 38525846, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Conley was the first scout of the first squad of the platoon given the mission of clearing his battalion's left sector. Without regard for his personal safety, Private First Class Conley dashed across an opening of two hundred yards under heavy sniper fire and cut off four ten enemy riflemen who were withdrawing into the woods. He shot and killed two of the enemy and brought in the remaining twelve as prisoners. Due to his initiative, the platoon made a hasty clearing of the sector, taking fifty prisoners in all. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class Conley reflected great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private Robert K. Hebert, 38617109, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. When the rifle company to which his machine gun section was attached was pinned down by intensive and unexpected anti-aircraft fire, first gunner Hebert without waiting for orders, immediately put his gun into action and opened fire on the enemy. On open terrain with no concealment whatever, he drew heavy fire upon himself. Finally wounded, he continued to fire until the gun was silenced. Then he was rendered unconscious. By disregarding his own safety, Private First Class Hebert greatly relieved the situation of the riflemen and the courage he exhibited is in keeping with the highest traditions of the service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class Norman B. Johnson, 35524618, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. While in the capacity of driver for the Artillery Liaison Section, Private First Class Johnson exposed himself to possible enemy fire while protecting the Liaison Officer. Then he aided in the actual capture, disarming and guarding of 250 German Soldiers, later marching them alone to the rear under enemy observation. The devotion to duty and unflinching courage of Private First Class Johnson aided in the capture of several thousand Germans and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Joseph Kovach, Jr., 35535786, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. His platoon was under heavy fire and a general withdrawal ordered. Knowing the danger of such an operation, Private First Class Kovach volunteered to keep up sustained fire with his light machine gun to occupy the attention of the enemy. Once a piece of enemy shrapnel cracked the steel jacket on his machine gun. Ordered to withdraw several times, Private First Class Kovach remained at his gun until personally convinced that the platoon had safely withdrawn. Still subjected to intense fire, Private First Class Kovach picked up his gun and successfully rejoined his outfit. This courageous act reflects great credit upon Private First Class Kovach and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class James W. Phillips, 35718977, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. On the opposite bank of an important river, Private First Class Phillips could observe enemy operations. In 24 hours he killed or wounded 23 Germans with his M-1 fire. Without sleep he stayed at his post on the river bank and picked off the enemy one by one with his accurate fire. Later, when the enemy counter-attacked, Private First Class Phillips gave his group invaluable assistance in breaking up this counter-attack by his excellent machine gun fire. This extreme vigilance and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Private First Class Phillips and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Juan Torrez, 38561579, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. As lead scout for his squad, Private First Class Torrez picked up the position of an enemy sniper and signaled the others to seek cover.

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Ignoring the fact that the sniper had already wounded two of his comrades, he employed all his scouting knowledge in endeavoring to outflank the enemy. In a final effort he dashed across open ground taking the sniper by surprise and causing an enemy machine gunner to surrender. This display of courage by Private First Class Torrez reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Private Warren McCoy, 38658051, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. At night and before territory heavily concentrated with enemy troops, acting first scout McCoy, with acute vigilance, spotted the enemy first on three occasions. Fearlessly and relentlessly he moved forward with the result that his company always enjoyed the element of surprise. His aggressive action was instrumental in the attainment of the upper hand over the enemy, and in pursuit of his difficult task he personally captured five German soldiers. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Private McCoy reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

IV. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section I, General Orders Number 12, dated 24 November 1944, this Headquarters, as reads: "SECOND LIEUTENANT JOSEPH F. DOUGHERTY, 0545147, 393d Infantry, United States Army", is amended to read: "SECOND LIEUTENANT JOSEPH F. DOHERTY, 0545147, 393d Infantry, United States Army".

V. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section IV, General Orders Number 59, dated 11 June 1945, this Headquarters, pertaining to the AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART to Staff Sergeant Freddie A. Ullmann, 37089181, 394th Infantry, is revoked.

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Leroy F. Smith, 01300406, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. The night following his company's participation in the capture of a town, the enemy launched an intense counter-attack with five tanks and infantry. During the confusion that set in, First Lieutenant Smith personally evacuated his wounded company commander although he himself was wounded. Then he reorganized the company and set up a defense to halt the enemy's advance. The following morning First Lieutenant Smith led his company in an attack on the town and succeeded in recapturing it. By his heroic actions, First Lieutenant Smith brought great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant Elmer T. Davis, 35718157, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 March 1945, in Germany. When the enemy had captured a six man outpost and threatened to drive to the CP itself, Staff Sergeant Davis killed one and wounded two other enemy soldiers, and with the help of another soldier, succeeded in pinning down the advance element of the enemy. By skillfully maneuvering one squad, he effected the capture of these troops. The main enemy force, fearing a similar trap, retreated in confusion. By his daring leadership, Staff Sergeant Davis succeeded in liberating four of the six American soldiers and saved the company many casualties. His personal bravery reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Lester Smith, 33652021, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Covering a road block at the entrance to a town with his BAR, Private First Class Smith was forced to withdraw to a nearby house when the bulk of an enemy counter-attack struck in his immediate vicinity. Dashing from window to window, firing his BAR with devastating accuracy, he succeeded in forcing the enemy to withdraw, killing two enemy machine gunners and wounding four riflemen. When the enemy attempted to reorganize for another assault, Private First Class Smith's harrassing fire effectively checked their movements until supporting armor arrived. Private First Class Smith's courage reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private John W. Clites, 33247978, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Private Clites treated five wounded soldiers under an artillery and mortar barrage which hit the company as they jumped off for an attack. Later, though advised by the platoon leader to wait until the mortar shelling subsided, he went again to the aid of several members of a machine gun crew who had been wounded, treated them and evacuated the most seriously wounded to a place of comparative safety from the continuing barrage. Private Clites' repeated gallantry at the risk of his life reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Captain Ernest F. Golden, 0423107, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. During a motor march of his regiment the leading vehicles were placed under fire by the enemy, completely routing an entire company. While everyone else took cover, Captain Golden made a dash for his jeep in a daring and most skillful maneuver, driving it 1200 yards through a mine field, before finding cover for it. This daring act removed the enemy's focus point and lifted the deadly fire from the company, enabling them to reorganize and neutralize the enemy strong point without sustaining a casualty. Captain Golden's good judgment and complete disregard for his own personal safety were above and beyond the call of duty. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Leonard G. Moorhead, 01302236, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944 to 18 December 1944, in Belgium. During a battle the enemy drove back the supporting unit on First Lieutenant Moorhead's left flank, creating a gap through which the enemy could penetrate. Immediately he maneuvered his platoon to keep constant contact with the enemy and by skillfully employing his fire power, led the enemy to believe that his force was considerably larger than it actually was. The next afternoon the company withdrew to rear positions and contact with the unit on the left was lost again. By excellent disposition of his men, the left flank of the battalion was constantly secured. First Lieutenant Moorhead's leadership reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant Randall G. Sammons, 02008574, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. In an attack on an enemy held town an adjoining platoon suffered five casualties including the platoon leader. When Second Lieutenant Sammons saw that the attack was in danger of being upset, he moved into the area, reorganized the platoon and led them on to their objective. He worked unceasingly at the almost impossible task of keeping contact with the units on the flanks and maintaining the lines on a solid front. The leadership and courage of Second Lieutenant Sammons aided materially in the success of the attack which drove the enemy from their positions. This act of Second Lieutenant Sammons' is in the highest tradition of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant Francis M. Harrold, 33400932, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Technical Sergeant Harrold, accompanied by two other men, was assigned the task of repairing a bridge so that our men and tanks could advance. Enemy entrenched in a nearby woods, opened fire on the trio with small arms and machine gun fire. Despite this fire, Technical Sergeant Harrold and his two men removed anti-tank mines from the road. Discovering that the bridge had been mined, Technical Sergeant Harrold worked his way forward and cut the wires leading to the explosive charges. By his courage, initiative and steadfast devotion to duty, he made it possible for the Battalion's tanks and men to advance along this route. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant Clare R. Bentzel, 33493203, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. When his company was halted by heavy machine gun and artillery fire, Staff Sergeant Bentzel deployed his squad and directed their advance in such a manner that two enemy machine gun nests were silenced. Staff Sergeant Bentzel then spotted a burp gunner and knocked him out with a single shot before the enemy could open fire on his squad. Due in large measure to his outstanding leadership, his squad suffered few casualties, dislodged the enemy from his positions and contributed greatly in the taking of the town which was the immediate objective. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Lorton C. Burns, 39257561, 535th AAA A/C Bn (Lb1), United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Staff Sergeant Burns gave valuable assistance to the Platoon Commander in organizing and moving the gun sections along with the retirement of the field artillery. While under intense enemy artillery fire, he moved among the men in the sections encouraging and directing the firing of the guns. Remaining behind with two gun sections, he successfully organized an anti-tank rear guard while under mortar and artillery fire, thus enabling the battalion to successfully complete its mission. The efficiency, courage and calm demeanor of Staff Sergeant Burns in the face of enemy assault, reflect great credit on his military service. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant Guillermo R. Camunez, 18147505, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 April 1945, in Germany. When his squad was fighting in a town almost constantly under heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, Staff Sergeant Camunez eliminated an enemy machine gun nest with his rifle. Exposing himself to the enemy, he brought his complete squad through the town, knocking out or forcing the enemy to abandon six machine gun positions and killing several of the enemy, without suffering a single casualty. Staff Sergeant Camunez's courageous action reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

Staff Sergeant Jay Taylor, 18148152, 374th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945 and 22 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Taylor volunteered to lead a patrol into enemy territory to secure information regarding enemy strong points and positions. Despite rugged terrain he accomplished his mission successfully. The following day Staff Sergeant Taylor led a patrol to contact an adjoining unit. Enroute, he gathered valuable information concerning the presence of enemy armor and troops. This information enabled this force to be neutralized before it could attack. Staff Sergeant Taylor's actions reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Sergeant James A. Griffin, Jr., 35458914, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945, in Germany. While crossing the Wolf River, Sergeant Griffin and his machine gun squad were pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. At this time he noticed a comrade helplessly wounded. Utterly defying the bullets from the enemy machine gun, he crawled forward and carried his comrade to a safe position, splined his broken leg and stayed there until medical aid arrived. Again risking his life, Sergeant Griffin dashed out to warn men from another platoon of the enemy machine gun. Sergeant Griffin's heroic actions prevented possible serious implications to the wounded man and five other men were saved from a probable worse fate. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Sergeant George C. Sneed, 6997194, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. While Sergeant Sneed was stationed in a house used as an outpost, an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and infantry was over running his platoon's positions. He stayed at his post although the enemy tanks fired directly at the now crumbling house. He repeatedly repulsed infantry attacks upon his post. His actions caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and greatly aided his platoon in restoring their original positions. Sergeant Sneed's courageous act

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reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Corporal Berlin A. Lagle, 35713990, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. During an enemy counter-attack, Corporal Lagle saw that his squad leader was severely wounded and needed medical attention immediately. He ran and crawled under intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to the command post. Aid was dispatched to the squad leader but he had been wounded mortally. Corporal Lagle reorganized the squad and kept his mortar in action to help turn back the German counter-attack. By his courageous action, Corporal Lagle reflected much credit on himself and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Karl S. Schlogel, 39552511, 535th AAA AT Bn (12cl), United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. While proceeding on a routine message run, the jeep in which Technician Fifth Grade Schlogel was riding was suddenly knocked out by an enemy tiger tank. Although badly wounded and under heavy enemy machine gun fire, he began the seventeen hundred yard crawl to the Battery CP. Reaching the CP he gave the battery commander accurate information as to the location of enemy machine gun and tank positions. Refusing to be evacuated, Technician Fifth Grade Schlogel gathered valuable statistics regarding planes shot down by the battery gunners, in bombing and strafing attacks that followed. The courage and efficiency of Technician Fifth Grade Schlogel reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class William E. DeVrieze, 37578595, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class DeVrieze was on an outpost when he detected a number of men advancing toward him. Realizing they were the enemy, he fired his rifle, killing three and wounding others. His continuous firing was so rapid that the enemy platoon fled in confusion without firing a single shot in return. His action played a large part in the defense of a town during an enemy counter-attack. His courageous act reflected great credit upon himself and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Richard H. Gorby, 35839169, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. While Private First Class Gorby was stationed in a house used as an outpost, an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and infantry, was over running his platoon's positions. He stayed at his post although the enemy tanks fired directly at the now crumbling house. He repeatedly repulsed infantry attacks upon his post. His actions caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and greatly aided his platoon in restoring their original positions. Private First Class Gorby's courageous act reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Harold B. Gordon, 33528506, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. While fighting in a town that had been turned into a fortress by its defenders, each window from every house was a potential sniper position. This began to prove very hazardous as the firing of the machine guns drew sniper fire from all windows. However, Private First Class Gordon gave an answering burst to each sniper as he located them one by one, drawing the enemy fire in order to allow the foot troops to locate and silence their positions. By doing this, Private First Class Gordon gave new courage to his comrades. This heroic action reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class James H. Quillory, 38438253, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 January 1945, in Belgium. Private First Class Quillory installed and maintained a communication line between the rear and forward observation post of the mortar

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platoon, a distance of three thousand yards. Disregarding the extreme cold and continuous artillery fire, he patrolled the wire line all night, repairing fifteen wire breaks caused by enemy artillery. When heavy concentrations of enemy artillery fell in his immediate vicinity, he crawled out of his foxhole, disregarding his personal safety and repaired the ruptures. Private First Class Guillory's actions reflect greatly upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class Calvin Holstein, 35641890, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. Being the first man to enter a town, Private First Class Holstein fired his BAR so effectively that twenty-five of the enemy came out and surrendered. Later when his squad leader and several of his comrades were wounded by enemy machine gun fire, Private First Class Holstein fired upon the enemy making it possible for the remaining comrades to reach cover. After firing all his ammunition, he withdrew under heavy enemy fire. Because of his personal bravery and coolness under concentrated enemy fire, Private First Class Holstein undoubtedly saved the lives of the remaining men in his squad and enabled the evacuation of the wounded. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class William H. Huggins, 39914321, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945 and 17 March 1945, in Germany. During an attack on the enemy, Private First Class Huggins, disregarding his own life, crawled out into full view of the enemy and intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire to administer first aid to a wounded man. He then dragged him back through a hail of enemy fire, to safety. The following night Private First Class Huggins gave aid to another man while under fire, staying with him to prevent excessive bleeding until it was possible to have him evacuated. His actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class James A. Taylor, 34998800, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Taylor was assisting a litter squad evacuate a wounded man when he spotted a German patrol of five men setting up their machine gun to fire upon them. Before the enemy could open fire, Private First Class Taylor fired, killing the gunner and causing the rest of the patrol to retreat. This quick action undoubtedly saved the litter team and enabled them to continue with the wounded man to the rear. Private First Class Taylor's action reflects great credit upon himself and on the military service. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Junior L. Willis, 36902389, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. While Private First Class Willis was stationed in a house used as an outpost, an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and infantry was over running his platoon's positions. He stayed at his post although the enemy tanks fired directly at the now crumbling house. He repeatedly repulsed infantry attacks upon his post. His actions caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and greatly aided his platoon in restoring their original positions. Private First Class Willis' courageous act reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class George H. Windisch, 33412102, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Windisch led his litter bearer squad through a heavy barrage of enemy artillery and mortar fire to evacuate six casualties. With disregard for his own personal safety he went to the aid of the casualties, when two aid men were pinned down by heavy artillery fire. Private First Class Windisch rendered emergency medical treatment to the casualties. During the course of treating the men, he was slightly wounded and refused treatment until he had led his litter squad on six trips under heavy enemy fire. Private First Class Windisch's courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Private George Cimba, 33776346, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. While Private Cimba was stationed in a house used as an outpost, an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and infantry was over running his platoon's positions. He stayed at his post although the enemy tanks fired directly at the now crumbling house. He repeatedly repulsed infantry attacks upon his post. His actions caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and greatly aided his platoon in restoring their original positions. Private Cimba's courageous act reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private James P. Martakos, 31264739, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. While Private Martakos was stationed in a house used as an outpost, an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and infantry was over running his platoon's positions. He stayed at his post although the enemy tanks fired directly at the now crumbling house. He repeatedly repulsed infantry attacks upon his post. His actions caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and greatly aided his platoon in restoring their original positions. Private Martakos' courageous act reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private Arnulfo L. Quintero, 39592697, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Private Quintero volunteered to man the fifty calibre machine gun on one of the supporting tanks. Later the gun jammed and when advised to leave the tank, he set to work with his trench knife and in a few minutes had repaired the gun and pinned down the enemy. By his calm courage and ability to act under extremely dangerous conditions, the platoon was able to advance and to its objective. Entered military service from Arizona.

Private Harry M. Sandbergen, 36844431, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. While Private Sandbergen was stationed in a house used as an outpost, an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and infantry was over running his platoon's positions. He stayed at his post although the enemy tanks fired directly at the now crumbling house. He repeatedly repulsed infantry attacks upon his post. His actions caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and greatly aided his platoon in restoring their original positions. Private Sandbergen's courageous act reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private Emory Wrinkles, 37625859, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Private Wrinkles was given the task of leading a patrol to establish contact with a unit believed to be on the left flank. Private Wrinkles led his patrol to two villages and through the terrain in front of them; finding that the whole area was in control of the enemy. The patrol proceeded back to the company over the dangerous route, made more difficult by darkness. The information Private Wrinkles acquired enabled the company to secure its exposed flank from attack. His action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

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Lieutenant Colonel Thomas S. Bishop, O4C3542, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant John T. Holdene, O1B22874, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Bronze Star medal:

Lieutenant Colonel William E. Skinner, Jr., O313618, 736th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in the United Kingdom, Belgium, France and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Captain Emanuel M. Almes, O549320, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain Bradlee F. Clarke, O341406, 736th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 February 1945 to 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Captain Francis H. Forrette, O1013679, 736th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 30 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in the United Kingdom, France, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

Captain Andrew Gray, Jr., O317503, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain Gregory H. Lcuty, O333776, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain Geodon H. Pederson, O1296251, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

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Captain John W. Ruc, 01295606, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Captain Albert L. Waldron, Jr., 01012265, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain Malcolm C. Webber, 01010755, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 February 1945 to 25 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant William E. Currie, 01045059, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 8 January 1945 to 18 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant Walter R. Melford, 0555152, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 15 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant Henry F. Rauch, 01017801, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 4 March 1945 to 3 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant Stephen D. Sheppard, 02048780, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 January 1945 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

First Sergeant John E. Terry, 38243375, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 10 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Technical Sergeant Lynn V. Kampfer, 39335876, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Oregon.

Technician Fourth Grade Ronald Galler, 37499268, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 27 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Missouri.

Corporal Melano Tarbuck, 33430622, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Glenn Gardner, 37534343, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Walter S. H. ..., 36676763, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 November 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Sergeant Jack Strickland, 38039825, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Technical Sergeant Heinz S. Burkert, 33471955, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant James C. McMurtry, 33402842, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Kenneth I. Franks, 34871723, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 December 1944 to 30 January 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Staff Sergeant Anthony M. Goder, 36821153, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 12 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant Rudolph E. Vetter, 36206089, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 December 1944 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant James W. Westcott, 35535978, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 19 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Third Grade Morris A. Brahms, 35594051, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant George L. Mohrke, 35524270, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 December 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Walter Haefner, 36695568, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 November 1944 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class Milton G. Heinz, 35523565, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Charles E. Le Blanc, 32857673, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 November 1945 to 12 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section J, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart Medal:

Sergeant Robert C. Miller, Sr, 33404451, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Staff Sergeant John A. Helbling, 33412307, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Robert C. Gauselmann, 35676206, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Ralph V. McCulley, 33473055, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 14 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Lester L. Girton, 33456750, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class John J. Kokoszka, 31143741, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 20 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Jack T. Lambiase, 33593201, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 3 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Donald K. Moeller, 36907386, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Earl H. Smith, 34973463, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Private Charlie Hood, 34949358, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. As the platoon neared its objective, a volley of fire from a factory building stopped the advance. Without hesitation, Private Hood jumped to his feet, rushed the building, firing his BAR as he ran. Though mortally wounded, Private Hood's gallant action so distracted the enemy that the platoon was able to maneuver to the flank and resume the advance toward its objective. Private Hood's devotion to duty as demonstrated by his gallant action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Charles F. Neibert, 33493515, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. When the assault boat to which Staff Sergeant Neibert was assigned reached the middle of the river, it was caught in a deadly cross fire from enemy automatic weapons. Many of the crew were wounded and the boat drifted downstream helplessly. Staff Sergeant Neibert entered the water and struggling ceaselessly against the current, succeeded in grounding the boat on a sand bar near the shore. For six hours under heavy fire, Staff Sergeant Neibert remained in the water anchoring the boat against the current until darkness provided cover for the evacuation of the wounded. Staff Sergeant Neibert's gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Joseph M. Thilmany, 37164302, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Thilmany's company was pinned down by heavy sniper fire. Placing a helmet on the end of a rifle, he drew fire and found the position of a sniper whom he killed with his M-1. Then, under constant fire, he covered the men who were setting up a machine gun in the street. He killed two more Germans from his exposed position. By his intrepid action, he enabled the machine gunners to place heavy fire on the enemy and drive them from their positions. The gallant action of Sergeant Thilmany reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

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Technical Sergeant Gilbert H. Life, 35744882, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945 and 17 March 1945, in Germany. In the bitterly contested battle for an enemy town, Technical Sergeant Life's platoon leader was killed. Without hesitation and with great aggressiveness he took command of the platoon and continued the attack. At one time he exposed himself to enemy fire to direct a small group of men out of a dangerous position. The aggressive action of Technical Sergeant Life is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Donald J. Morris, 35535898, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Morris was leading his squad across a small river in a surprise attack on a town when the enemy concentrated heavy fire upon the group. The men jumped into the water to gain protection. Staff Sergeant Morris swam quickly to the bank nearest the enemy and maneuvered a boat back out to his men to enable them to cross safely. Staff Sergeant Morris then led his squad to the enemy positions and destroyed them, enabling the rest of the company to gain entrance to the town. Staff Sergeant Morris' act reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Edward L. Tighe, 31026054, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Tighe was leading two squads in an attack on an enemy town when they were pinned down by machine gun fire. He maneuvered his men to the flank where the terrain afforded cover. At this time he sighted a group of 80 Germans coming toward him to surrender. From them he learned the exact location of the machine guns. Staff Sergeant Tighe led his squads forward and destroyed them, enabling the company to move on to its objective. The foresight and aggressive action of Staff Sergeant Tighe reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant Edward J. Breiter, 33259407, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. When the advance of his company was stopped by concentrated enemy fire, Sergeant Breiter worked feverishly to get his machine gun into action. Then with utter disregard for his personal safety, he exposed himself to the enemy to direct the fire of his gun. The enemy was driven from his positions and the company continued the advance. By his aggressive and heroic action Sergeant Breiter brought credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Eugene R. Heckathorne, 33407300, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945, in Germany. When the attack on an enemy held town was halted at a railroad embankment, Sergeant Heckathorne, without hesitation, placed his gun on the exposed embankment. This drew the direct fire of a tank and rocket fire from a factory building, but Sergeant Heckathorne ignored it and poured a deadly hail of fire into the main enemy strong point. The enemy's position soon became untenable and the attack moved forward. This heroic act of Sergeant Heckathorne is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Frank B. Lucas, 35675411, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. Sergeant Lucas was ordered to take his squad forward to hold a position against an expected counter attack. While enroute to the area the squad was subjected to intense artillery and rocket fire but Sergeant Lucas did not hesitate until the designated position was reached. He himself took the machine gun and set it up for operation and selected positions for his men while still under artillery fire. Sergeant Lucas continued to direct the organization of his squad and successfully defended his sector of the front. The action of Sergeant Lucas reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Sergeant Richard A. Mauz, 35673771, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Mauz started forward with a truckload of ammunition to replenish the dangerously depleted supply of the battalion. When enemy fire forced the truck into a ditch and made it necessary to abandon it, Sergeant Mauz walked forward to secure a jeep and trailer. Unable to use the road, he drove through the woods, improvising a road as he went. At the regimental ammunition dump, Sergeant Mauz loaded the trailer and returned over the road he had constructed. The additional ammunition enabled the battalion to continue the attack. The devotion to duty and ingenuity shown by Sergeant Mauz reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant George S. Sams, 35676244, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. When the battalion assault troops were pinned down by flak and machine gun fire, Sergeant Sams set up his machine gun on level ground and from this exposed position, engaged the enemy in a fierce fire fight. He succeeded in knocking out a machine gun nest and a mortar position. This intrepid action enabled the troops to advance and take their objective. Sergeant Sams's heroic action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Ford James, 35642764, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. When an extremely heavy artillery and rocket barrage destroyed much of his mortar ammunition, Corporal James sent his crew after a new supply and continued to man his mortar single handed. Under the continued enemy fire, he received fire orders, prepared the ammunition and fired the mortar until his crew returned with additional ammunition. By his courageous action Corporal James reflected great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade Earl W. Moore, 35462324, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944 and 19 December 1944, in Germany. Technician Fifth Grade Moore's battalion was forced to withdraw during a German counter-offensive. As the first company moved through a draw it was subjected to an intense mortar barrage. Technician Fifth Grade Moore moved into the area when the call for medics came back. He administered aid to wounded men as all companies of the battalion moved through the gap, undaunted by the extreme danger to himself. Technician Fifth Grade Moore then assisted a walking casualty to get to the destination with his unit. The unselfish devotion to duty shown by Technician Fifth Grade Moore is in keeping with the highest tradition of the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Samuel Adams, 37643762, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. When the battalion assault troops were pinned down by flak and machine gun fire, one machine gun was set up to engage the enemy. Private First Class Adams as second gunner braved the intense fire to help place the gun. Then when one ammunition bearer was wounded and required the aid of the second, Private First Class Adams made two trips through the murderous hail of bullets to the rear to replenish the ammunition supply. The courageous action of Private First Class Adams reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Daniel R. Fitzgerald, 19164637, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945 and 24 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Fitzgerald discovered the enemy preparing to blast trees across an important road. In the ensuing fire fight he continually exposed himself to divert the enemy's attention from several comrades who executed a flanking movement to gain a position from which fire could be brought on the enemy. Two days later when his squad was

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reluctant to move because of a terrifying artillery barrage, Private First Class Fitzgerald inspired them to action by his daring example. His courageous action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Jesse Reyna, 18116915, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 December 1944, in Germany. While standing guard with another soldier, an enemy artillery barrage wounded both Private First Class Reyna and his comrade. He administered first aid to his comrade, carried him to safety in the basement of a house and ran through the falling shells to get litter bearers. Only after this was accomplished did the intrepid soldier collapse from loss of blood from his own wounds. Private First Class Reyna's courageous action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Gordon G. Williams, 34464678, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. When radio communication between the battalion commander and an attacking company suddenly failed, Private First Class Williams volunteered to lay a wire line to the company commander. He raced across 800 yards of open terrain under complete observation of the enemy, miraculously escaped being wounded and gained cover in the woods where the fighting was taking place. He delivered the telephone to the company commander and then re-established the battalion commander's control over his unit at this critical time. Private First Class Williams' devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

IV. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

First Lieutenant Edward L. Brady, 0386770, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Ransom P. Fanks, 20903243, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant Thomas W. Lewis, 34591407, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 25 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class David S. Anderson, 33258968, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Max Aronson, 32006789, 924th Field Artillery Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from New York.

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Captain Joseph W. Nelson, 0409759, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 March 1945, in Germany. In extending the Remagen Bridgehead, it was necessary for the battalion to take several fortified towns to the east. Moving down a deep, wooded draw which ran through the woods separating the unit from its next objective, a surprise attack by heavy enemy tank and infantry forces cut the battalion in two. Captain Nelson, commander of "H" Company, completely disregarding his personal safety, made a quick reconnaissance of the situation. Reorganizing his platoons he led a successful attack on the high ground overlooking the draw. Then concentrating all available fire power on the main German strong point, Captain Nelson succeeded in turning what appeared to be certain defeat into a decisive victory. Captain Nelson's superior leadership and gallant action reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Second Lieutenant Robert H. Hunter, 02026280, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 April 1945, in Germany. Second Lieutenant Hunter's platoon of tanks was entering an enemy held town with the infantry when the tank upon which he was riding was hit and disabled by a Panzerfaust. Second Lieutenant Hunter was thrown to the ground but he unhesitatingly got to his feet and moved toward the enemy, firing his sub-machine gun as he ran. Second Lieutenant Hunter's example inspired his comrades to such a degree that the town was quickly stormed and cleared of all resistance. The gallantry and aggressive leadership displayed by Second Lieutenant Hunter are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Second Lieutenant Clyde A. Thomas, 02005610, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Given the task of taking some important high ground, Second Lieutenant Thomas led his platoon in a brilliant assault. Two enemy machine guns were firing on his platoon as it advanced. Second Lieutenant Thomas maneuvered his men into a defiladed position and when certain open ground had to be negotiated, purposely drew the enemy fire on himself in order to enable his men to safely cross. Calling for a bazooka, Second Lieutenant Thomas personally knocked out one machine gun emplacement with a direct hit. The other enemy machine gun crew surrendered upon seeing this action. By his superior leadership and splendid courage, Second Lieutenant Thomas brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private First Class John C. Tobin, 36866625, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. As radioman for the mortar observer, Private First Class Tobin was in one of the lead boats attempting to cross the Danube River. When the enemy opened up with an intensive small arms and mortar barrage, his boat was overturned, spilling the occupants into the water. Several of the men were able to get on to the overturned boat, but one wounded man had to be towed to shore. Private First Class Tobin, who then swam back to the boat and towed it, along with the men clinging to its sides, back to shore. Again reaching the shore-line, Private First Class Tobin administered first aid to the wounded man and remained in the icy cold water for 6 hours, waiting for darkness to descend and cover his movements of evacuation. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Paul J. Woods, 37691986, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. When an attempt was made to cross the Danube River on the morning of 27 April 1945, the first boat to clear the edge of the woods was met by heavy enemy small arms fire. Private First Class Woods immediately rushed out under the fire and proceeded to give aid to the wounded. Later he advanced with his platoon to a small island where they were pinned down by enemy fire. Staying in the water for several hours, he rendered aid to seven wounded men, after which he dug foxholes to give them shelter. For outstanding bravery and devotion to duty, Private First Class Woods deserves high commendation. Entered military service from Iowa.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 20 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Nathan F. Thompson, 37082242, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Two of Staff Sergeant Thompson's comrades were pinned down by an enemy machine gun. Recognizing their predicament, he placed six men to cover his advance and began crawling up on the flank of the enemy emplacement. A sniper fired upon him causing the machine gun crew to see him and open fire also. Staff Sergeant Thompson kept moving and returned the fire, killing one of the crew. The two remaining members then surrendered to him and the threat to his comrades was lifted. Staff Sergeant Thompson's act reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Paul Etheridge, 34582658, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. When the platoon to which he was attached as medical aid man was subjected to heavy enemy fire, Private First Class Etheridge was among the first to be wounded. Although in great pain and unable to walk, he did not seek shelter but crawled to two wounded comrades to administer first aid while the enemy barrage continued. The high sense of duty and heroic action demonstrated by Private First Class Etheridge reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Ronald M. Furno, 36726490, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. While with the lead elements of his battalion, Private First Class Furno used his sketchy knowledge of German to persuade two enemy machine gun crews to surrender at a time when it was important to avoid any delay. Moving to the left flank of the lead element, Private First Class Furno was in several instances the first to fire upon enemy groups with his BAR. His fire was so effective in driving the enemy off that the movement of the troops was never delayed. The ingenuity and aggressiveness displayed by Private First Class Furno reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private First Class Edwin H. Gunn, 33856832, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. As his platoon approached its objective, Private First Class Gunn noted enemy troops on commanding ground to the front. After halting the platoon, Private First Class Gunn moved forward alone and undaunted by the prospect of almost certain death if discovered, he gained information on the number and disposition of the enemy. On the basis of this information the platoon maneuvered into position where its full fire power could be directed effectively, and quickly drove the enemy from the commanding ground. This action of Private First Class Gunn reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class Andrew N. Hebert, 31463135, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Hebert's platoon was ordered to withdraw from the town which it had been outposting. While doing so, the group came under intense enemy fire that wounded several men and scattered the group. Upon reorganizing outside the town, it was found that six men were absent. Private First Class Hebert volunteered to attempt to find them. By taking advantage of all possible cover he safely re-entered the town and located the missing men. The intrepid soldier then led them back over the covered route to the platoon and safety. The heroic act of Private First Class Hebert reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Nelson Trahan, 38567548, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Trahan, as first scout led his company over mountainous and wooded terrain under constant artillery and small arms fire to their objective. He repeatedly exposed himself to enemy observation and fire in order to determine the best route to pursue. Private First Class Trahan's keen sense of direction, superb scouting ability and loyalty to his unit aided materially in the company's securing its objective without a casualty. The high sense of duty demonstrated by Private First Class Trahan reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private Leon C. Levy, 38657488, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. The advance of his battalion was held up by flak and machine gun fire and the machine gun for which Private Levy was ammunition bearer was set up to engage the enemy. During the vicious fire fight when the second ammunition bearer was wounded, Private Levy administered first aid and assisted him to a covered position. Then he crawled under the relentless hail of fire to secure ammunition in order that the fight could continue, to the ultimate destruction of the enemy positions. Private Levy's courageous action reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Second Lieutenant Wesley L. Roberts, 02005436, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Second Lieutenant Roberts' mortar platoon was pinned down by flak guns when the riflemen were in critical need of his support. When tanks arrived, he ignored the grave danger to himself and walked ahead of the first tank to draw the fire of the enemy guns. Miraculously escaping injury, he disclosed the positions of the emplacements and the tanks proceeded to destroy them. Second Lieutenant Roberts then led his platoon forward to give badly needed support to the rifle troops. The heroic action of Second Lieutenant Roberts reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Curtiss W. Booher, 33217968, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Booher's anti-tank platoon was fired upon by an enemy machine gun and simultaneously by friendly riflemen as it moved over a front line trail toward its new area. With utter disregard for personal safety, Staff Sergeant Booher worked his way through a mine field and halted the fire of the friendly troops. Then directing fire upon the enemy emplacement, he caused the crew to surrender. This enabled the gun convoy to proceed to its designated area. The heroic action of Staff Sergeant Booher reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Leeman C. Chastain, 38512503, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 April 1945, in Germany. In the attack on an enemy-held town, Staff Sergeant Chastain led his machine gun section with such skill that heavy enemy fire had little effect. His choice of positions resulted in the greatest possible concentration of fire on the enemy. When an artillery barrage approached his positions, Staff Sergeant Chastain quickly displaced his men to already chosen alternate positions, thus preventing casualties among his own men and maintaining close support of the riflemen. The high degree of efficiency and heroic leadership displayed by Staff Sergeant Chastain reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant Benedict J. Brendal, 36006304, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Brendal's tank was the target of heavy fire and had been hit twice in its mission of giving support to riflemen, when a separate round of ammunition became lodged in the tube of the gun. Staff Sergeant Brendal unhesitatingly dismounted his tank amid the hail of enemy fire and with the aid of one of his crewmen removed the round from the gun. Resuming vicious firing, Staff Sergeant Brendal aided the infantry materially in reaching their objective. The heroic action of Staff Sergeant Brendal reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Staff Sergeant Carl E. Saxton, 35642197, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 March 1945, in Germany. When his squad was ordered to clear a barn that was being used as a strong point, Staff Sergeant Saxton worked his men under heavy fire to within 400 yards of the building. Then, refusing to subject his men to the murderous fire and with utter disregard for his personal safety, he advanced 100 yards alone. Shooting tracer ammunition into the hay, he set the barn afire and the enemy were forced to surrender to the intrepid squad leader. Staff Sergeant Saxton's heroic act reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant Richard D. Shrimplin, 35592553, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. During heavy action when communication was severed between his battalion and the supporting artillery, Sergeant Shrimplin and his assistant undertook to re-establish the vital link. Continuously exposed to heavy artillery fire, Sergeant Shrimplin never wavered in his task and succeeded in laying over 1000 yards of wire by hand to enable the artillery to continue its close support mission. Sergeant Shrimplin's heroic action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Frank H. Cammel, 35593771, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. During heavy action when artillery severed communication between his battalion and the supporting artillery, Corporal Cammel and a comrade undertook to repair the rupture. While constantly exposed to heavy artillery fire, he laid wire by hand for over 1000 yards, enabling the artillery to resume its close support. Corporal Cammel's courage and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade William D. Griffiths, 39404294, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. The radio operator with the forward observer reported through infantry channels that his antenna had been shot away and the infantry would not be able to advance until artillery fire could be placed on their objective. Technician Fifth Grade Griffiths set out through the hail of enemy fire that constantly endangered his life and kept moving over the rugged terrain until the antenna was delivered. The artillery support came and the troops moved on. The indomitable spirit of Technician Fifth Grade Griffiths reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Baptista P. Colpo 33404808, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 March 1945, in Germany. In the attack on a factory building, Private First Class Colpo, as second gunner, placed his machine gun on a high railroad embankment to secure a good field of fire. An enemy tank opened fire and rockets were shot from the factory directly at the machine gun. Private First Class Colpo and his comrade were undaunted by the extreme danger and sprayed such a deadly hail of lead into the factory that it was soon neutralized. The courageous action of Private First Class Colpo reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class James E. Rister, 34381606, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. When two tanks were fired upon by a hidden "88" and machine guns, Private First Class Rister, an assistant driver, left his position inside the tank and manned the machine gun on the turret. Private First Class Rister disabled the first vehicle in an approaching enemy convoy and caused the rest to retreat. He kept tracer fire on the original

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point of resistance until the tanks could get their guns into position to fire, thus saving them from destruction and enabling them to complete their mission. The heroic action of Private First Class Rister reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class Pale L. Stevens, 35237571, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945 in Germany. The attacking riflemen were to seize a portion of highway and establish a road block, but before this could be accomplished, they were pinned down by sniper fire from several roadside houses. Without hesitation and with utter disregard for personal safety, Private First Class Stevens moved into full view of the enemy and fired several rounds of white phosphorous ammunition with extreme accuracy into his targets. The spreading flame quickly drove the snipers from their positions and the riflemen proceeded with their mission. Private First Class Stevens' heroic action reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Oscar Wells, 35672911, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. A separate round of ammunition became lodged in the tube of the gun of his tank when the infantry was pinned down and desperately needed the tank's support. Private First Class Wells and his tank commander dismounted the tank, which was the target of heavy fire, and with disregard for personal safety, removed the round from the tube. Then with vicious and accurate fire, the tank aided the infantry to secure its objective. The heroism displayed by Private First Class Wells reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Hubert Yelton, 34592389, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 31 January 1945, in Germany. Moving over a front line trail in the lead vehicle of a convoy, Private First Class Yelton and his comrades were fired upon by both friendly and enemy troops. Undaunted by the vicious crossfire, Private First Class Yelton crawled through an enemy mine field to halt the other vehicles. Then when the friendly troops had been contacted by his squad leader, Private First Class Yelton took command of the convoy and led it to its destination. The heroic action of Private First Class Yelton reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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I. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-47, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted man are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel Glenn Cole, O19917, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 22 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant Gerald L. Stoll, 35424833, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant D. W. Snyder, O1173088, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

First Lieutenant William J. Tepsin, O359328, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant William E. Vacha, O1320080, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant Norman C. Michelson, O2C05473, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Chief Warrant Officer Bernard C. Albers, Jr., W-2113394, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Master Sergeant Christian Hartman, 6536437, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

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Technical Sergeant Zack H. Hendry, 34356678, Headquarters Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant Gale M. Burrington, 39195662, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 February 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

Staff Sergeant Benjamin I. Gease, 35616432, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Howard D. Kuhn, 16151209, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 23 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Ralph G. Maurer, 35675366, Headquarters Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Salvadore Troiani, 33456815, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Third Grade Arnet E. Rollins, (then Technician Fourth Grade), 35744705, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 October 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant Dale P. Hadley, 33472109, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant William G. Kraemer, 35358615, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade Michael L. Strollo, 33471702, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Technical Sergeant William H. Denhard, 35688407, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technical Sergeant Willard O. Nelson, 35616639, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 31 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Technician Fourth Grade Michael Garmella, 33472087, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Joe P. Hallman, 37036067, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Robert L. Fisher, 35616024, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Donald W. Gangway, 35349413, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Andrew C. Cokay, 42005235, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class Luther C. Haywood, 33247912, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 22 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Ralph V. Montello, 35633453, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Stuart P. Place, 31223755, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class Konrad Neident, 35349266, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

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I. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel William H. Francis, 017693, 535th AAA (AW) Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Delaware.

Captain Charles D. Clement, 01296171, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain William L. Muncaster, 01011163, Headquarters Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain Wayne E. Shannon, 0388966, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant Alfred F. Johnson, 01013931, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

First Lieutenant Jackson F. Moses, 01322579, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

First Lieutenant Kenneth R. Wipff, 0509300, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 February 1945 to 31 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Colorado.

Second Lieutenant James W. Stenglein, 02008597, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 6 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Second Lieutenant Joseph I. Waskiewicz, 02008472, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 6 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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First Sergeant Delbert W. Long, 37037895, Headquarters Company, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

Staff Sergeant John H. Hill, 35593846, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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*Staff Sergeant William F. Johnson, 35348956, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 13 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade Robert W. Adams, 33559935, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade Samuel J. Wise, 35524832, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade John R. Johnson, 33404443, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Paul A. Barger, 33407191, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 5 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Joseph W. Boland, 33457104, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Rae V. Cullings, 33384655, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 January 1945 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

II. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal:

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*Private First Class Harold H. Bonham, 20901501, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on ~~20 December 1944~~, in Belgium. Entered military service from California. *16 Feb. 1945*

III. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Staff Sergeant Earl C. Faull, 15377595, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Corporal Ford James, 35642764, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade Paul D. Brett, 34464501, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Technician Fifth Grade William J. Yanko, 33687673, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class James J. Lyle, 37083667, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Albert A. Mikulan, 36907387, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Earl R. Sthrome, 35909719, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private Wesley R. Synell, Sr., 35247216, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 23 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private Paul A. Fretz, 3016515, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 15 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private Aaron M. Linn, 42182450, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Paul A. Fretz
1025 Horton Avenue
Akron 6, Ohio

So much of General Orders 69, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, dated 23 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Paul A. Fretz, 35 926 515, which reads "Private" is amended to read "Private First Class."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

H. H. Newman
Adjutant General

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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Captain Robert G. Fowler, O1169962, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. Going to the top of a hill for better radio reception Captain Fowler observed many German troops and equipment in a village. Convinced that the Germans could be persuaded to surrender, he entered the town amid great confusion and utilizing a French soldier as an interpreter, contacted the enemy commander and arranged for their surrender. Through Captain Fowler's initiative and courageous action the 130th Panzer Lehr Division surrendered without the loss of an American or German life. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant Park W. LeRoy, 20902151, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 April 1945, in Germany. When the rifle company to which Technical Sergeant LeRoy's machine gun section was attached, was pinned down by heavy enemy sniper and small arms fire, Technical Sergeant LeRoy led his section to a commanding position and directed heavy fire on the enemy position. So intense was his fire that 38 officers and men, all Storm Troopers, emerged to surrender. Later that day, our units were again stopped by enemy fire so well concealed as to defy detection. Technical Sergeant LeRoy purposely presented himself as a target and so learned the location of the enemy. His section's fire silenced the enemy guns and 50 Germans surrendered in this action. Technical Sergeant LeRoy's initiative and indomitable spirit brought great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant Ike Stone, 34575095, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Stone's heavy machine gun section was attached to a rifle company in an attack which led over a 1,000 yard expanse of open ground, at the far side of which was the Althmuhl Canal. As soon as the forward elements of the assault detachment started over the open ground, they were pinned down by intense enemy mortar, artillery and machine gun fire. Realizing that the only chance for success lay in constant movement, Sergeant Stone went from man to man, urging them onward. By keeping the men well dispersed and constantly moving, the attack was carried out with complete success and with a minimum of casualties. Sergeant Stone's ability to cleverly maneuver men under intense fire and his complete disregard for personal safety is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade Alvin A. Cooper, 36656200, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 March 1945, in Germany. When the platoon to which Technician Fifth Grade Cooper was assigned as aid man were unexpectedly fired upon by enemy rifles and automatic weapons, immediate cries for aid arose. Without hesitation, Technician Fifth Grade Cooper unmindful of the danger involved, administered first aid and pulled the wounded to cover, to await evacuation. Time after time he repeated this performance until all the wounded were cared for. His personal bravery and gallantry in action earned for Technician Fifth Grade Cooper, the profound respect of all who depend upon him. Entered military service from Michigan.

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II. AWARD OF SOLDIERS MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Soldiers Medal:

Technician Fifth Grade George Soltis, 35523902, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, while serving in the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. While the battery was in position and receiving heavy counter-battery fire, one round landed within three feet of an ammunition truck containing 200 rounds of ammunition. A fragment from the exploding shell hit one of the rounds of ammunition, detonating the primer and setting the powder afire. The fire quickly spread and Technician Fifth Grade Soltis, completely disregarding the great hazard, left his foxhole, grabbed a fire extinguisher and fought the fire, finally extinguishing it. By his quick thinking and instantaneous action, Technician Fifth Grade Soltis saved the prime mover, 198 rounds of ammunition and the lives of at least two soldiers. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Olney D. Alderman, 35524429, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, while serving in the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 7 April 1945, in Germany. While the battery was in position and receiving heavy counter-battery fire, one round landed within three feet of an ammunition truck containing 200 rounds of ammunition. A fragment from the exploding shell hit one of the rounds of ammunition, detonating the primer and setting the powder afire. The fire quickly spread and Private First Class Alderman completely disregarding the great hazard, left his foxhole, grabbed a fire extinguisher and fought the fire, finally extinguishing it. By his quick thinking and instantaneous action, Private First Class Alderman saved the lives of at least two soldiers. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private Monroe I. Crawford, 37007352, 99th Reconnaissance Troop, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, while serving in the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy, on 12 May 1945, in Germany. While participating in an organized athletic program, Private Crawford heard cries for help coming from a nearby stream. A member of another unit had ventured beyond his depth and the swift current was carrying him rapidly downstream. Without hesitation, Private Crawford, well trained in the art of life saving, located this man after he had gone down the third time. Swimming to shore with his heavy burden, Private Crawford applied artificial respiration for well over an hour until finally the man regained consciousness. Private Crawford's ability to think and act promptly, coupled with his efficient knowledge, saved the life of a fellow soldier. Entered military service from California.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Technical Sergeant Douglas E. Bowen, 35642879, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 April 1945, in Germany. When his company was held up by heavy fire from flak guns, Technical Sergeant Bowen displayed superior leadership and heroism in maneuvering his platoon into a position where it could place effective fire on the enemy positions. Under cover of the murderous fire of Technical Sergeant Bowen's men, the rest of the company advanced to and captured the objective. By his aggressive leadership and exemplary conduct before the enemy, Technical Sergeant Bowen reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Technical Sergeant Benjamin V. Davis, 35642444, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 April 1945, in Germany. When the platoon leader and several men of an adjacent platoon were wounded and the safety of the whole platoon jeopardized by heavy enemy fire from positions to their flank, Technical Sergeant Davis quickly grasped the situation and maneuvered his platoon into a position to cover the reorganization of the unit. Though under heavy fire, he maintained control of his unit in the difficult position until all units were redispersed and ready to attack. By his heroic leadership under heavy fire, Technical Sergeant Davis reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Harold M. Jones, 32583789, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Jones led two men into enemy territory along the Weid River to find a suitable crossing for tanks. Once, while testing the depth of the water he was forced to stay partially submerged for 15 minutes due to enemy patrolling along the bank. It was due to Staff Sergeant Jones' able reconnaissance and suggestion that logs be cut and carried on each tank to provide footing on the marshy banks, that all tanks crossed on schedule. The initiative and courage displayed by Staff Sergeant Jones reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant LaMoyné O. Wiedman, 37038950, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 April 1945, in Germany. While in a defensive position, protecting the flank of his attacking company, Sergeant Wiedman immediately directed fire upon menacing forces. Though the enemy attacked fanatically, Sergeant Wiedman employed his fire power so effectively that the counter-attack was soon disorganized and routed. By his alert, aggressive leadership, Sergeant Wiedman reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade Ralph B. Hopper, 32589380, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Technician Fourth Grade Hopper, with two mechanics and the motor officer, went unhesitatingly to the aid of two tanks stuck at an approach to the Weid River. Undaunted by the heavy mortar and artillery fire which the armor drew, Technician Fourth Grade Hopper labored for two hours until the tanks were extricated and sent into the attack. By his determined conduct in the face of heavy fire, Technician Fourth Grade Hopper reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade Chester H. Mollon, 32585386, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Upon hearing that two tanks were stuck at an approach to the Weid River, Technician Fourth Grade Mollon went immediately to the disabled tanks with two other mechanics and the motor officer. He worked unceasingly and with utter disregard for his personal safety, in the heavy mortar and artillery fire which the armor drew. After two hours of hard work in the face of heavy fire, the tanks were extricated and out into the attack. By his unflinching devotion to duty, Technician Fourth Grade Mollon reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Irwin A. Bergman, 36654009, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 April 1945, in Germany. When Private First Class Bergman's platoon was moving forward through heavy undergrowth, they were caught in surprise enemy fire, resulting in four casualties, including the platoon leader. In the subsequent reorganization, Private First Class Bergman acted with great initiative and with utter disregard for his own safety in carrying out the instructions of his wounded platoon leader. In the same spirit he helped the wounded to protected positions to receive medical aid. Private First Class Bergman's devotion to duty and aggressive initiative reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

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Private first Class Frederick H. Jurgen, 31410440, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 April 1945, in Germany. While in a defensive position protecting a flank of his attacking company, Private First Class Jurgen observed an enemy group approaching the opposite flank. He did not change his position however, but remained on the alert for any advance on his own flank. Soon, detecting the approach of an enemy force, he opened fire. Though his rifle was shot from his hands, Private First Class Jurgen remained in position and directed the fire of his comrades until the attack was repulsed. Private First Class Jurgen's calm courage and alert spirit reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

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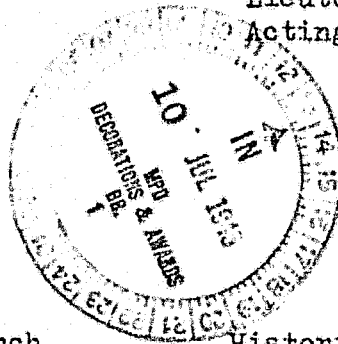
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I. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Corporal James I. Boggs, 35673240, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 April 1945, in Germany. Corporal Boggs, as acting Section Sergeant of a section of 81mm mortars, was following in direct support of a rifle company. Suddenly the enemy opened fire with machine guns and rifles, pinning down both the mortar section and the leading rifle elements. Corporal Boggs immediately put the mortars in firing position. Then he took a telephone and began laying wire forward in an attempt to reach a point from which he could get observation on the enemy machine guns. Halfway to his goal he was observed and concentrated small arms fire came his way. Disregarding this, he continued and upon reaching his OP, began to adjust the fire of his two mortars. Within a few minutes, the two enemy guns were silenced and the support rifle platoon was able to maneuver into a position from which they could flank the enemy resistance. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class Jimmie R. Driskell, 37635028, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 May 1945 in Germany. Upon learning of a group of SS Troopers operating in the vicinity, Private First Class Driskell volunteered to lead an investigating party. Spotting two SS Troopers crossing an open field, he fired several shots and succeeded in forcing their surrender. Continuing his search, Private First Class Driskell and his small group were suddenly pinned down by enemy automatic fire. Creeping and crawling under this enemy fire, Private First Class Driskell outflanked the enemy and his resulting withering fire forced an additional 8 SS Troopers to surrender. In the completion of this task, Private First Class Driskell displayed great initiative and courage. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Nuel A. Ellsworth, 39592695, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 1 February 1945, in Belgium. During an American attack on the Siegfried Line, Private First Class Ellsworth, leading scout of his platoon, was breaking a trail through several feet of snow for the other members of his platoon to follow. When he reached a point nearly three-fourths of the way across an open field, an enemy machine gun opened fire and pinned down his platoon. He crawled approximately fifty yards into the edge of the woods and from there maneuvered himself into a position to attack the gun from the rear. Firing as he advanced, Private First Class Ellsworth killed the three Germans on the machine gun and thus enabled his platoon and the company to continue the attack. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Normand C. Schrader, 37670789, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 April 1945 and 30 April 1945, in Germany. Although painfully wounded, Private First Class Schrader heroically continued to man his automatic weapon in support of his platoon, thereby enabling it to continue its advance. Shortly thereafter he attacked and destroyed an enemy machine gun nest, killing its four man crew. Later he again gave much needed fire power to his platoon in repelling a German counter-attack, even though badly shaken by the explosion of a grenade at his very feet. By his display of courage and his unselfish devotion to duty, Private First Class Schrader brought great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

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II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star medal:

Second Lieutenant John C. Mace, 01180595, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Second Lieutenant Mace, acting as Forward Observer, was with an infantry company when the enemy launched a severe counter-attack. He left his position of cover and under heavy tank, automatic weapons, bazooka and small arms fire, advanced to a point of observation 50 yards from the enemy. By relaying signals to his radio operator, he brought concentrated artillery fire upon the tanks and personnel, forcing them into a disorganized withdrawal. By his devotion to duty and unwavering courage before the enemy, Second Lieutenant Mace reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class Lawrence A. Martz, 35618114, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. When his platoon encountered an enemy road block covered by a strong force, Private First Class Martz went forward under heavy fire to gain information on the strength and disposition of the enemy. With utter disregard for his personal safety, he crawled into the hail of fire to within 15 yards of the hostile positions and obtained the information needed to overpower the enemy with a minimum cost. By his unwavering courage and devotion to duty, Private First Class Martz reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Robert A. Pulsifer, 42074501, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Pulsifer placed his machine gun on the second story of a house to cover the road assigned him. After destroying several enemy vehicles from his position, a tank located him and fired point blank at the house. Though whole sections of the house collapsed, Private First Class Pulsifer ignored the extreme danger and continued to fire at enemy vehicles until reinforcements arrived, forcing the tank to withdraw. By his heroic action before the enemy, Private First Class Pulsifer reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class C. W. Storey, 34966411, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 4 March 1945, in Germany. While his platoon was pinned down by unexpected enemy fire when entering a town, Private First Class Storey, acting as platoon messenger, was required to make several trips along routes under heavy sniper and artillery fire, first to call for smoke and then for tanks and tank destroyers. Later, he made several trips between the forward observer and the machine gun positions, thus keeping the action of all units coordinated. Private First Class Storey's disregard for his own safety in the execution of his duty reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class Willard A. Toney, 38590619, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. When his first gunner was wounded, Private First Class Toney immediately took over the machine gun and poured fire into the German positions. Disregarding his completely exposed position, he continued his fire until he had destroyed an enemy machine gun and crew, thereby greatly aiding the riflemen in their advance. By his heroic action and determined spirit, Private First Class Toney reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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Private First Class Raymond A. Traves, 33827679, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. The mortar firing crews had used the ammunition nearest them in an attempt to neutralize an enemy observation post which was directing a heavy artillery barrage on their area. Private First Class Traves left his cover to replenish the supply. When one mortar was knocked out, he ran to help the crew get under cover. Then he carried their ammunition to the mortar which was still firing. His heroic action aided materially in the ultimate destruction of the enemy observation post. Private First Class Traves' courage before the enemy is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private Wilfred H. Glidden, 39574169, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. Private Glidden was acting as first scout as his squad led the company forward. When heavy enemy fire was placed on the group from a roadblock, the intrepid soldier did not pause but opened fire as he walked. Private Glidden's aggressiveness and utter disregard for his personal safety inspired his company to similar action and the enemy force was quickly overwhelmed. Private Glidden's exemplary conduct before the enemy is in keeping with the highest tradition of the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Sergeant Stanley Mizerny, 15354780, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Mizerny, a squad leader, led his squad under heavy fire to the right flank of his company, to be used as security so as to enable the company to take its objective. Despite repeated attacks by the enemy, Sergeant Mizerny and his squad doggedly held their ground until the company could advance. His fighting spirit and complete disregard for personal safety gave his squad the added courage necessary to hold off the enemy. Sergeant Mizerny's superb leadership and unselfish devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant David M. Russell, 01015826, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Acting as Maintenance Officer, First Lieutenant Russell went to the aid of two tanks which were stuck while attempting to ford the Wald River. Every available tank was needed to support the infantry attacking across the river. Paying no heed to the enemy mortar and artillery fire directed on them, First Lieutenant Russell and his crew worked all night freeing these tanks. After both tanks had been pulled out of the mud, First Lieutenant Russell personally reconnoitered and located another ford and guided the tanks across. This heroic act performed under heavy enemy fire reflects great credit upon First Lieutenant Russell and the military service from New Mexico.

Staff Sergeant Grville Catlett, 35689696, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Catlett was assigned the important mission of taking a 30 man patrol to secure and hold a town until the rest of the battalion could move forward. Eliminating an outpost, he and his group continued on, meeting various and scattered resistance. Under Staff Sergeant Catlett's supervision, the town was systematically searched, house by house, several of the enemy were killed, 36 prisoners were taken as well as two flak guns and several vehicles. His superior leadership, alertness and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon Staff Sergeant Catlett and the military service. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant James F. Crumlish, 33100890, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Crumlish and his squad were assigned the difficult task of clearing houses on the edge of a town. They were progressing favorably although under heavy enemy fire, when Staff Sergeant Crumlish spotted a German artillery piece going into position. He led his squad in a vicious fire fight and succeeded in overrunning the position, taking 15 prisoners. Staff

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Sergeant Crumlish's complete disregard for personal safety, his superior leadership and tactical efficiency as well as his unselfish devotion to duty, are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant Jimmie E. Nelson, 35753993, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Nelson was a squad leader of the platoon faced with the task of spearheading the attack on an enemy held town. The platoon was delayed from entering the town by a heavily mined field and a heavy enemy artillery barrage but Staff Sergeant Nelson's squad fought their way down the main street of the town, spotting and eliminating enemy snipers and gun emplacements. The squad was pinned down near the center of town by withering fire of an enemy automatic weapon. Staff Sergeant Nelson crawled under the intense fire and eliminated the enemy gun position with hand grenades, enabling the squad to complete their mission. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Louis J. Stupack, 33388080, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 January 1945, in Belgium. During the German Ardennes offensive, Staff Sergeant Stupack led a patrol to gather information as to enemy strength and position. He found an enemy task force dug in, in preparation for a dawn attack. Relaying his information to supporting artillery, this enemy position was eliminated and the attack forestalled. The courage, resourcefulness and splendid leadership of Staff Sergeant Stupack reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant Olan G. Walters, 18186130, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an enemy held town, Staff Sergeant Walters's company were pinned down by intense enemy fire. A forward element of which he was a squad leader, attempted to reach a covered vantage point from where they could direct fire on the enemy positions. The small group met devastating machine gun and direct anti-aircraft gun fire and the radio man as well as the platoon sergeant were injured. Staff Sergeant Walters directed their evacuation, and made three additional attempts to locate the enemy. On his third attempt, he spotted their positions and artillery and mortar fire, based on his directions, neutralized them. Staff Sergeant Walters's splendid leadership and unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant William E. West, 38057755, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant West was assigned the task of clearing a town of snipers but he and his squad were effectively pinned down by a hidden enemy group. Staff Sergeant West moved ahead alone, to reconnoiter the strength and deployment of the enemy. After spotting the enemy position he took advantage of the element of surprise and attacked it single-handedly. Firing as he ran, he killed one German and two others surrendered. Staff Sergeant West's daring maneuver, his complete disregard for his personal safety, and his unselfish devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant Gornie L. VanGorp, 37673892, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Sergeant VanGorp and his squad were assigned the difficult task of finding a route to, and if possible, capture a small village overlooking a river crossing. Under his skillful leadership, the patrol succeeded in locating a covered route to the village. Going cautiously forward they surprised the enemy, knocking out an enemy machine gun nest, killing eight and wounding seven enemy soldiers; and capturing an enemy command post intact with five officers, one forward artillery observer and seventy enemy riflemen. Sergeant VanGorp's superior leadership, his ability to take full advantage of a favorable situation and his unselfish devotion to duty, reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Iowa.

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Technician Fourth Grade Glen W. Looney, 37245666, 786th Tank Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 23 March 1945, in Germany. Technician Fourth Grade Looney, a member of the maintenance section, went to the aid of two tanks which had become mired in the mud in an attempt to ford the Weid River. Realizing the need for every available tank to support the infantry attacking on the opposite shore, Technician Fourth Grade Looney worked all night under enemy mortar and artillery fire and finally freed the two tanks. Technician Fourth Grade Looney's complete disregard for personal safety and his unselfish devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

III. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal:

Staff Sergeant Richard D. Mills, 38553332, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Staff Sergeant John T. Trimble, 33432599, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private Ray M. Stockwell, 37747976, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 6 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

IV. AWARD OF PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

First Lieutenant Robert E. Freed, 02005268, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Utah.

Master Sergeant Simmie J. Hilliard, 39151179, 99th Signal Company. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 February 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Thomas Cavalier, 31313335, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 29 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class Joseph M. Ferreri, 42030529, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 60C-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Corporal Russell P. Brown, 35617661, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 December 1944, in Belgium. Corporal Brown acted as wire corporal with a liaison section of the 924th Field Artillery Battalion, attached to an infantry regiment launching an attack on an enemy held town. His was the sole responsibility for wire communications between the forward elements and its supporting artillery. When other wire crews failed to keep up, Corporal Brown, with determination, struggled forward with his drum of wire on his shoulder. When the leading company was pinned down by intense enemy fire, Corporal Brown advanced through this fire and brought wire communication to the infantry battalion commander and artillery liaison officer. His wire line was the only means of communication between the forward unit and the rest of the division. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Smith Eads, Jr, 38431668, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. While in a forward observer party, Corporal Eads volunteered to adjust artillery fire for another company which was pinned down by heavy enemy small arms fire. He established an observation post forward of the infantry and called for artillery fire on the enemy position, only 150 yards in front of his observation post. Corporal Eads was wounded by this close fire but his heroic and courageous action enabled the company to advance to their objective. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade Morris P. Ramoska, 33439333, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. While working as a radio operator in a forward observer party, Technician Fifth Grade Ramoska volunteered to act as radio operator in adjusting artillery fire for another unit which was pinned down by intense enemy small arms fire. When told to withdraw to a safer position because artillery fire would be brought down very close to his observation post, Technician Fifth Grade Ramoska refused to leave his post. He continued to direct fire until wounded, but his courageous and heroic act enabled the company to advance to their objective. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Charles B. Tachau, 35689289, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Technician Fifth Grade Tachau was a radio operator on a reconnaissance patrol. It was of paramount importance that a line of communications be established and maintained between the battalion and the regimental command posts. In order to reach the battalion, the patrol had to travel under constant enemy fire and because of the deep snow, cover and concealment was difficult to find. Technician Fifth Grade Tachau repeatedly had to operate his radio in an exposed position in order to report the progress of the patrol. Finally reaching the battalion, he remained as the only means of communications which was responsible in a great measure for the success of the regiment in preventing a complete enemy breakthrough. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Technician Fifth Grade James W. Whiteside, Jr., 34591831, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 10 March 1945, in Germany. In a dawn attack on an enemy held town, Technician Fifth Grade Whiteside, a platoon runner with the forward assault units, had to return to the platoon to guide them to positions picked by the rifle company commander. This was done by crossing a field swept by enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Time and again, though pinned down by enemy fire, Technician Fifth Grade Whiteside succeeded in relaying messages and orders, giving no thought to the hazards involved. By his courageous action, Technician Fifth Grade Whiteside reflected great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

*Private First Class ^{J.N.L.} ~~John M.~~ Johnson, 14013766, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 February 1945, in Germany. When the regiment was advancing through the Monschau Forest, the forward elements of the attacking forces halted when they came to an enemy fortification. Withering enemy fire effectively pinned down the riflemen. Private First Class Johnson was assigned the task of leading a squad to knock out the obstacle. Ordering the rest of the squad to lay down a concentration of covering fire, he moved around to the flank of the fortification and at an opportune moment, dashed forward and hurled two hand grenades into an embrasure on the right side of the fortification. The enemy surrendered after Private First Class Johnson's action and the elimination of the pillbox allowed the advance to continue. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Wayne S. Stewart, 39411428, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 May 1945, in Germany. While standing guard at the company command post, Private First Class Stewart saw a large number of enemy approaching. Immediately alerting all the other guards, he in turn alerted the personnel sleeping in the house before returning to his post to take up the fire fight with the enemy. Private First Class Stewart's quick thinking and aggressive action prevented the enemy from having the element of surprise in their attack, thus saving the company command post and preventing heavy casualties among his comrades. Entered military service from California.

II. REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section III, General Orders Number 62, dated 16 June 1945, this Headquarters, pertaining to the AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL to Technical Sergeant Lynn V. Kampfer, 39335876, 393d Infantry, is revoked.

So much of Section III, General Orders Number 63, dated 17 June 1945, this Headquarters, pertaining to the AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL to Private First Class Jack T. Lambiase, 33593201, 394th Infantry, is revoked.

III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section II, General Orders Number 62, dated 16 June 1945, this Headquarters, pertaining to First Lieutenant Walter R. Melford, 0555152, 394th Infantry, as reads "from 14 November 1944 to 15 May 1945", is amended to read "from 14 November 1944 to 8 May 1945".

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I. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel Charles J. Hendricks, 0360370, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Captain Roy C. Lueders, 0382926, 99th Reconnaissance Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 4 April 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Citation amended by No 104 - Aug 22, 1945

* Technical Sergeant Harry L. Spriggs, 6833622, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 February 1945 to 8 APRIL 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

III. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Ben W. Legare, 0351045, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Major John W. Lundberg, Jr., 0452550, 99th Division Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Major Louis J. Manus, 0294621, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Captain Martin L. Cadin, 01822531, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 July 1944 to 30 April 1945, in France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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First Lieutenant Willard T. Adcox, 02005337, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

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* First Lieutenant Ray Brown, Jr., 0540736, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant Luther L. Hill, Jr., 0552560, Headquarters, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 29 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Iowa.

First Lieutenant Richard A. Halston, 0538629, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from California.

Second Lieutenant Frederick H. Gerdes, 02005311, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Chief Warrant Officer Theodore W. Donaldson, W-2108623, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

First Sergeant George H. Jenkins, 33395985, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Fred M. Guitteau, 33402450, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Cecil R. Humphrey, 6664619, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant James H. McClain, 33493316, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant Oliver A. Sacco, 35642614, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 February 1945 to 16 March 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Sam Benincosa, 35744695, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant Ignatius N. Natuseczyk, 33052431, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 18 February 1945 to 7 May 1945, in France and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant Joseph L. St. George, 33406983, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operation against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Philip E. Cruse, 39151698, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 March 1945 to 26 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade William C. Birch, 3344829, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade James A. Hudac, 15354706, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade Ralph M. Levy, 33588338, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade Kenneth J. McWhorter, 35744653, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Roland E. Foru, 33456884, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Lloyd M. Richardson, 34464481, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class William Anderson, 34495334, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Howard J. Cowan, 36879810, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class Carl M. Glen, Jr., 37483361, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class Woodrow T. Lett, 35204173, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Boyd M. Sheffield, 39926907, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Utah.

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IV. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Technician Third Grade Charles J. Hughes, 33396323, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Warner H. Anthony, 18171703, 395th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 26 December 1944, in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class Edward W. Campbell, 37455308, 324th Medical Battalion. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

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TO: Mr. Charles J. Hughes
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Perry, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania

1. So much of General Orders 74, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, dated 29 June 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Technician Third Grade Charles J. Hughes, 33 396 323, for wounds received in action on 12 March 1945, is withdrawn.

2. The Purple Heart has previously been awarded to above-named individual for wounds received on that date by General Orders 13, Headquarters 156th General Hospital, dated 22 March 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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I. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant William Y. Blasdel, 18148219, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Blasdel was in charge of an outpost of Company K, 395th Infantry when an enemy counter-attack supported by five tanks and an unknown number of infantry succeeded in over-running the platoon position. Although he knew the outpost was surrounded, Staff Sergeant Blasdel and his men stayed at their post repulsing infantry attacks and narrowly escaped destruction when enemy tanks fired point blank into the house in which the outpost was located. At the end of four hours, the enemy was completely thrown back from the position, the outpost having caused a great deal of confusion among the enemy and aiding greatly in restoring original positions. The superior leadership of Staff Sergeant Blasdel reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant Floyd W. Robb, 37555638, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 March 1945, in Germany. When Staff Sergeant Robb became separated from his company near Ellinger, Germany he decided to enter a nearby village. After a heavy artillery barrage, Staff Sergeant Robb and his men started searching the houses and took fourteen prisoners. Five enemy soldiers were discovered at a road block with automatic weapons and rifles. Staff Sergeant Robb and his men engaged the enemy and meanwhile, by himself, he charged the right flank of the enemy with fixed bayonet. His actions confused the enemy troops and they surrendered. The courage displayed by Staff Sergeant Robb reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Sergeant Eugene R. Heckathorne, 33407300, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 6 April 1945, in Germany. While crossing an open field covered by enemy machine gun and mortar fire, Sergeant Heckathorne's first gunner was killed. There still remained half of his squad and another squad to get across the field. Sergeant Heckathorne continued to lead his men across, when more heavy fire was encountered. Without regard for his own personal safety, Sergeant Heckathorne seized his heavy machine gun and firing from the hip, delivered such a withering and accurate fire that the opposing machine gun was effectively silenced. The courageous action displayed by Sergeant Heckathorne, reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Leonard W. Tomcho, 35059767, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. During the crossing of a footbridge at Kirchenhausen, Germany, the enemy laid down a heavy mortar barrage, exposing Sergeant Tomcho's squad to murderous fire. One of the men was rendered unconscious by a piece of "almost spent" shrapnel in the center of the bridge. As he ran along, Sergeant Tomcho urged his men to keep moving forward to remove them from this more dangerous position. He then returned to the center of the bridge, at great risk to his own life, and carried the unconscious rifleman to safety. The gallantry displayed by Sergeant Tomcho reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private First Class Joseph L. Allsbrook, 33886320, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. When his company attempted to cross the Danube River, unexpected opposition was met. Private First Class Allsbrook was in one of the two boats that succeeded in landing against a slippery precipitous bank. The enemy attempted to eliminate the small landing force with hand grenades and by clipping the top of the shoulder-high bank with heavy rifle fire. By caring for wounded men, and calling mortar fire upon the enemy positions, Private First Class Allsbrook aided in bringing all men to safety when the two boats returned under cover of darkness. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class Ralph L. Lammers, 37449700, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Following a withdrawal under heavy enemy fire it was discovered that a wounded soldier had been left behind. Private First Class Lammers volunteered to try to bring the wounded man to safety. Under intense fire he succeeded in reaching the side of the wounded man. Placing the helpless soldier over his shoulder, he began making his way back, still under fire and at great risk to his own life, and finally reached the safety of his own forces. The gallantry displayed reflects great credit upon Private First Class Lammers and the armed forces. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class James A. Ravencraft, 35417193, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 April 1945, in Germany. When Private First Class Ravencraft sighted a German Mark IV Tank firing at his position, he opened fire with his heavy machine gun to enable a bazooka team to take action against it. Although heavy enemy small arms fire was directed at him, and the bazooka team was knocked out, Private First Class Ravencraft continued to fire so effectively that the tank was set afire. He then picked off the crew as they left the tank. The gallantry of Private First Class Ravencraft reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Thomas H. Winchester, 38352069, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. During the height of the fighting for the Town of Hennigen, Germany, the 3d Platoon of Company "C", 394th Infantry, was pinned down by enemy fire. Private First Class Winchester voluntarily, while exposed to enemy fire, reached a tank destroyer and manned the turret machine gun. Raking the enemy position with this weapon he inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy, forcing them to withdraw. As a parting barrage, the enemy fired on the turret of the tank destroyer, seriously wounding Private First Class Winchester. The personal bravery displayed reflects great credit upon Private First Class Winchester and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Mexico.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Second Lieutenant Albert T. Brainard, (then Technical Sergeant), 34, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. During an attack on an enemy held area, Second Lieutenant Brainard's platoon met the bulk of the resisting force. Second Lieutenant Brainard was materially responsible for the organization and deployment of the platoon while under heavy fire to occupy the total attention of the enemy force, thus enabling the rest of the company to move quickly to the objective and consolidate positions. By his demonstration of superior leadership and tactical skill, Second Lieutenant Brainard reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Technical Sergeant Mason J. Bennett, (then Staff Sergeant) 35718953, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 April 1945, in Germany. When Technical Sergeant Bennett observed a tank moving toward his machine gun section, firing as it came, he ignored the grave danger to himself and ran from man to man gathering anti-tank mines which were to be used later for a road block, and moved quickly into the path of the oncoming threat to his men and guns and installed a hasty mine field. The advance of the tank was stopped entirely through the heroic action of Technical Sergeant Bennett. His devotion to duty and courage under fire reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant Leonard T. Sharek, (then Private First Class) 33457064, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1945, in Belgium. When friendly guns placed a round directly on the large dugout which his squad occupied, Technical Sergeant Sharek began immediately to drag the wounded to a position where they could receive treatment. Though the barrage continued, he did not hesitate but directed the further movement of all casualties to an aid station. Upon returning it was found that a second round had fallen directly into the dugout and had the men not been evacuated they would have been killed. Technical Sergeant Sharek's calm courage under fire reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Third Grade Gregory F. McNulty, Jr., 35593325, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. When a bazooka round killed two and wounded 14 others in an infantry company, Technician Third Grade McNulty led medics to the scene. A heavy artillery barrage followed, increasing the casualties to 35. Technician Third Grade McNulty suffered a hand wound but ignored it and the continued shelling, so administer plasma and first aid wherever needed until all casualties were evacuated. By his complete and unselfish devotion to duty, Technician Third Grade McNulty reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant John R. Leonard, 12095856, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945 and 28 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Leonard led a reconnaissance patrol into enemy territory to discover that one bridge across the river which presented the next terrain barrier, was not blown. His company quickly sent troops and vehicles across and overwhelmed enemy resistance. Three days later a member of Sergeant Leonard's squad was hit and bleeding badly. He crawled under intense fire for 150 yards, to locate a litter team, then helped them remove the wounded man from the area being shelled. Sergeant Leonard's unselfish devotion to duty reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Prather H. Pitts, 34574480, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 December 1944 and 18 March 1945, in Germany. Hit by shrapnel just prior to an attack, Sergeant Pitts was ordered to the rear for treatment. He refused to be evacuated however and led his squad successfully in the attack. After reorganizing, a terrific artillery barrage dazed and temporarily blinded him. Again he refused evacuation and remained with his squad, constantly an inspiration to his men by his determination to close with the enemy, regardless of odds or circumstances. The intense devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Pitts is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

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Technician Fourth Grade Almon V. Gibbs, 35349788, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945 and 18 March 1945, in Germany. When a number of casualties were suffered in an attack, Technician Fourth Grade Gibbs disregarded the fierce enemy mortar, artillery and small arms fire and drove his jeep forward. With complete disregard for his own safety, and by giving his total energy, he collected and evacuated all the casualties that he could locate. Technician Fourth Grade Gibbs' skill, zeal and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade Rudolf Sommerhalder, 32131944, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. A bazooka round had exploded in the midst of a group of riflemen preparing to attack. Technician Fourth Grade Sommerhalder was among the medics who rushed to the scene. Almost immediately an artillery barrage came in causing many more casualties. A man on each side of Technician Fourth Grade Sommerhalder was killed but he ignored the grave danger to himself and feverishly administered aid to the wounded until all were evacuated. By his high sense of duty, Technician Fourth Grade Sommerhalder reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Paul H. Chisolm, 34842732, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Private First Class Chisolm was ordered to drive to front line positions which were under heavy siege, to withdraw needed equipment. On the return journey, enemy action forced him to follow a strange road where his vehicle finally bogged down. For four hours under the constant threat of enemy penetration, Private First Class Chisolm labored to free his jeep and succeeded finally with the help of a friendly tank. He continued to drive throughout the night to accomplish his mission. His determined devotion to duty reflects credit upon Private First Class Chisolm and the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class Kenneth L. Gillenwater, 35770492, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Gillenwater's platoon had suffered four casualties who needed immediate medical attention. He volunteered to make the hazardous trip to obtain that aid. Under grazing machine gun fire, Private First Class Gillenwater reached his goal by alternately crawling and running. Then he led the medical personnel back over the same dangerous route, again subjected to vicious fire. The journey was completed safely and the wounded men received desperately needed care. By his heroic courage and unselfish spirit, Private First Class Gillenwater reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Malcolm H. Kendall, 20903003, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 March 1945, in Germany. During a vicious nine hour battle for a German village, it became evident that someone would have to replenish the supply of ammunition. Private First Class Kendall volunteered to make the dangerous dash. He ran 400 yards across an open field under observation all the way. Shrapnel tore his clothes but he never paused. On the return trip rifle fire knocked an ammunition box from his grasp. He hesitated only long enough to regain it and ran on, reaching his gun in time to keep it in action. By his exemplary conduct before the enemy, Private First Class Kendall reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class Steve Kovachovich, 35349708, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Kovachovich, while manning his machine gun, caught sight of a German truck escaping with two officers and radio equipment. Headless of intense machine gun and artillery fire, he opened fire, causing it to crash and burn. Then he traversed his gun and silenced a

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machine gun. When shrapnel wounded a rifleman, Private First Class Kovachevich ran into the deadly fire, dragged him to safety and administered first aid. By his high sense of duty, Private First Class Kovachevich reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Seymour M. Motin, 36958723, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 April 1945, in Germany. An intense bombardment of heavy tank fire wounded Private First Class Motin and a comrade. The heavy fire necessitated a withdrawal of his company and subsequent flank attack. Private First Class Motin who was able to walk, was ordered to return to the aid station. He ignored the great danger to himself however and stayed with his wounded comrade and the aid man attending him. Later, when a mortar barrage fell in their area, Private First Class Motin dug a slit trench for the more seriously wounded man to enhance his safety. His unselfish sense of duty reflects great credit upon Private First Class Motin and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class John S. Motto, 36917900, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Motto's mission was to provide overhead fire to cover the movement of riflemen across an open field. He placed his machine gun at the edge of a shell crater and near a tree. Though shrapnel flew dangerously close, he climbed into the tree from where he directed his fire so effectively that the enemy was forced to withdraw and the riflemen attained their objectives without a casualty. By his initiative and leadership, Private First Class Motto reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Karl A. Newhart, 33456758, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Newhart led four truckloads of ammunition over treacherous roads under hostile observation. Time after time, the convoy was forced to halt while the drivers took cover from the enemy barrage. Each time, Private First Class Newhart was the first to leave his cover and get the vehicles under way. Twice the vehicles were hit by shrapnel and stopped, but skillful repairs made by Private First Class Newhart kept the ammunition moving. By his devotion to duty, Private First Class Newhart reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Thomas P. Reilly, 33457119, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 April 1945, in Germany. On 29 April 1945, Private First Class Reilly assumed command of his heavy machine gun squad after his squad leader was wounded. From a nearby building, he located the source of fire. Under fire, he proceeded to a mortar section with the information concerning the target. He then returned to his observation point and observed fire on the enemy gun, and although the house from which he was observing was hit several times by mortar fire, he stayed and directed the fire until the enemy gun was silenced. His courageous action reflects great credit upon Private First Class Reilly and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Willie B. Taylor, 34464359, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 19 December 1944, in Belgium. During a particularly dark night, Private First Class Taylor and other men of his unit were subjected to an extremely heavy artillery barrage. When he heard the man in a nearby slit trench moan that he was hit, Private First Class Taylor left his cover and made his way to the aid station, 75 yards distant, in the blind darkness and amid flying fragments of shrapnel, to get a litter team. He then helped them evacuate his wounded comrade and several other casualties he had encountered. By his unselfish spirit and devotion to duty, Private First Class Taylor reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

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Private First Class John O. Thompson, 35238640, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10, 25, and 27 April 1945, in Germany. When Private First Class Thompson observed an enemy command car approaching on a nearby road, he deliberately walked into its path and opened fire with his automatic rifle. The vehicle left the road and crashed into a tree. Later, he saw an enemy group approaching an exposed flank. He crawled 50 yards and trained his weapon on the enemy, killed two and routed the rest. By his initiative and aggressive fearlessness, Private First Class Thompson reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class James C. Walker, 39723697, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 20 March 1945, in Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by sudden and intense sniper fire, Private First Class Walker ignored the hail of bullets about him and crawled 100 yards to an advantageous position. From his point of vantage, he opened fire, killing one sniper and wounding several more. With the initial pressure relieved, his platoon flanked the enemy and overcame all opposition. By his initiative and great courage under fire, Private First Class Walker reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class James H. Wilkinson, 35232796, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 April 1945, in Germany. When his company sustained eight casualties, Private First Class Wilkinson volunteered to secure medical aid for the wounded men. While enroute to the aid station, he was observed by the enemy and subjected to heavy mortar fire. He never paused, however, until he had reached his goal and secured two litter teams. Private First Class Wilkinson then led them safely through a mine field to avoid being observed and later killed two enemy riflemen who fired upon the group while in a wooded area. Private First Class Wilkinson's devotion to duty and exemplary conduct before the enemy reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Charles E. Youngblood, 34831413, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Youngblood was acting as first scout when his platoon was pinned down by machine gun fire. A withdrawal to attempt a flanking maneuver was deemed advisable. Private First Class Youngblood volunteered to remain as a base of fire to cover the platoon's movement. He was obliged to remain in a position with little cover while firing upon several snipers and a machine gun. After completion of the withdrawal, the platoon successfully outflanked the opposition and attained its objective. Private First Class Youngblood's actions reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Laverne A. Yoke, 33877035, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. When his assault boat touched the enemy shore, Private First Class Yoke assisted the wounded from the boat. Thus occupied, his automatic rifle was pushed into the water. Diving quickly, he retrieved the weapon, then proceeded to alternately care for the wounded and fire with devastating accuracy at the enemy. By his heroic bravery and unselfish concern for the wounded, Private First Class Yoke reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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III. AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDERS: So much of Section I, General Orders Number 73, dated 27 June 1945, this Headquarters, as reads, "Private First Class John N. Johnson, 14013766, 394th Infantry, United States Army", is amended to read: "Private First Class J. N. I. Johnson, 14013766, 394th Infantry, United States Army".

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Sollie E. Womack, Jr., 01295639, 3931 Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 February 1945, in Germany. When his platoon approached the first of three pillboxes, First Lieutenant Womack picked three men [to continue with him and placed the rest to cover their advance. The three men and their intrepid leader crawled to the objective under a withering hail of fire. First Lieutenant Womack directed the placing of the charges so effectively that the dazed enemy was forced to surrender. There amid flying steel and bullets, he gallantly led his men on to take the remaining two objectives. The superior tactics and gallant leadership displayed by First Lieutenant Womack reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

II. AWARD - MISSING IN ACTION - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man - Missing In Action - is awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant William E. Lewis, 35616746, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 December 1944 and 17 December 1944, in Germany. The positions of Staff Sergeant Lewis' platoon were attacked by vastly superior forces. One by one the defenders were overwhelmed. Finally only Sergeant Lewis and his machine gun section were left. By his personal gallantry and heroic leadership, he inspired his men to turn back wave after wave of fanatical Nazis. The courageous sergeant finally fell before the onslaught but not until the bulk of the battalion had been able to withdraw and set up new defenses. Staff Sergeant Lewis' unwavering devotion to duty and gallantry in action reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

III. AWARD OF SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Sergeant Joseph J. Charney, 33493604, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 February 1945, in Germany. As a machine gun nest supporting a counter-attack on our rifle units pinned down our troops with heavy fire, Sergeant Charney crawled over hazardous terrain and under observation to a stream that led to a supply dump. There a sniper spotted him but was killed by his M-1. Moving to the rear of the enemy, Sergeant Charney wiped out the machine gun nest with one grenade, thus enabling our riflemen to capture the remaining enemy and the supply dump. By his aggressiveness and unselfish devotion to duty, Sergeant Charney brought great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class John Hanchar, Jr., 33414928, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 April 1945, in Germany. When the battalion to which Private First Class Hanchar was attached as a litter bearer was crossing the Danube, one of the assault boats was forced to stop at an island due to heavy casualties aboard. Acting on his own initiative, Private First Class Hanchar twice waded 40 yards through the water under heavy and observed fire to bring medical supplies to the wounded. After giving first aid he dug shelters for them to enhance their safety and comfort. Private First Class Hanchar's gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Private First Class Russell J. Gilley, 33218032, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. When his platoon was surrounded by overwhelmingly superior forces, Private First Class Gilley and a comrade volunteered to attempt the seemingly impossible task of piercing the enemy's ring of steel to contact friendly units. By utilizing every bit of cover and concealment, both men made the trip safely. After reporting his valuable information on the disposition of hostile forces, Private First Class Gilley resumed the fight against the enemy. By his heroic action, Private First Class Gilley reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

V. AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal.

Captain Frank A. Arnoldy, 01299283, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 6 March 1945 and from 13 April 1945 to 12 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

VI. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Captain William B. Coke, 0294948, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 6 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Captain Vincent W. Herberholt, 01541794, Headquarters, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Captain Charles P. Roland, 01296262, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Second Lieutenant Paul O. Gandell, 01022552, 629th Tank Destroyer Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 March 1945 to 6 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

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Second Lieutenant Mark A. Smith, 02008797, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Master Sergeant Max B. Hartman, (then Technical Sergeant), 35349645, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Sergeant James R. Van Allen, 6862725, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 2 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant Clarence F. Flynn, 39150711, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant John A. Neely, 35536106, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Harley D. Harlow, 36752839, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 3 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant Melvin A. Lemke, 37178465, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 20 January 1945 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant William Masterlee, 33411727, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Lacy R. Reed, 38235361, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Sergeant Edward J. Ezop, 36316339, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 4 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Arthur G. Kirschbaum, 36003025, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant Thomas D. McDermott, 33259101, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant Irving S. Rosen, 35643005, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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Technician Fourth Grade Jack G. Stewart, 13072876, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 13 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

Corporal Frank Hay, 18083584, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal Kenneth L. Lee, 37281224, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 26 February 1945 to 3 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade Howard N. Dahlgren, 37571930, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade Everett R. Taylor, 33402667, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 December 1944 to 1 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade Odis B. Tucker, 34582178, 393d Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 2 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class Otis A. Barnes, 38671917, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class William J. Conroy, 33394635, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 5 January 1945 to 15 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Joseph P. Hartley, 34464345, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class William B. Ragland, Jr., 38652749, 394th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class Glenn J. Reynolds, 33401052, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 4 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Earl J. Wiseman, 33537408, 395th Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 5 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

VII. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Air Medal:

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First Lieutenant Melvin W. Sterling, 01167237, 924th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 17 March 1945 and 15 April 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

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I. AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Major Henry H. Farrar, Jr., 0376617, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 December 1944 to 15 March 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kansas.

Major Harold J. Maier, 01687253, Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 25 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Captain Robert E. Mannheim, 0322385, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. When the tide of the Ardennes counter-offensive struck his area, Captain Mannheim conducted a personal reconnaissance under intense fire to determine where his weapons could most effectively be used. When the strength of the hostile force was seen, Captain Mannheim assembled his company and led his men toward friendly lines. During the bloody march, under devastating artillery barrages, he moved up and down the column encouraging his men to carry on. By his heroic leadership, Captain Mannheim reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Arizona.

Private First Class Robert A. Nye, 35617109, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. When his platoon was surrounded by an overwhelmingly superior force, Private First Class Nye and a comrade volunteered for the seemingly fatal task of attempting to pierce the enemy's ring of steel and contact friendly units. By utilizing every bit of cover and concealment, both men made the trip safely and after reporting their information on the disposition of enemy forces, resumed the fight. By his courageous action, Private First Class Nye reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

II. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Technical Sergeant Robert S. Lipsey, 33296126, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Technical Sergeant Lipsey and his bazooka team-mate proceeded on their own initiative to clear the right section of the squad's area. Encountering fire from a well concealed position, the team sought out and eliminated the hazard by killing two snipers with one bazooka round. A second sniper post was dealt with and accounted for the third dead enemy. Observing a group of twelve riflemen, Technical Sergeant Lipsey and his comrade pursued and captured the group with an empty bazooka. By his unwavering courage, Technical Sergeant Lipsey reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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Technical Sergeant Edward H. McClure, 34575083, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. In a night attack on a well defended high ridge, the company was pinned down and the attack stalled by a murderous machine gun cross fire. Technical Sergeant McClure's platoon was ordered to try to outflank the enemy position. It too was met with withering small arms fire which killed the platoon leader and another soldier. The platoon started to break formation and became confused. At this point, Technical Sergeant McClure took over command, rallied and organized the men, and eventually outflanked the enemy position and eliminated it. Because of Technical Sergeant McClure's capable leadership and aggressive action, the company were able to continue their advance. Entered military service from Georgia.

Staff Sergeant Murray Arnold, 33471553, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. When the Regimental CP was almost surrounded by the enemy, Staff Sergeant Arnold guarded the main crossroads of the area for a 14 hour period, maintaining hourly contact with the CP, 500 yards away, though the road was under constant and intense fire. When a call came for desperately needed bazookas and ammunition, Staff Sergeant Arnold covered the extremely dangerous three miles to deliver them. By his complete devotion to duty, Staff Sergeant Arnold reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Daniel W. Burns, 35349423, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 March 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Burns' company was pinned down by a large concentration of enemy fire power. By amazing courage and leadership, he held his squad in place to allow the rest of the company to reach protection in a draw. When our aircraft and artillery had worked to neutralize the enemy's weapons for 30 minutes, Staff Sergeant Burns led his men forward at seemingly the precisely correct moment and seized the objective. By his courageous leadership and devotion to duty, Staff Sergeant Burns reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant William H. Goik, 36401311, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 21 March 1945, 22 March 1945, and 7 April 1945, in Germany. While leading his squad in an attack on a high ridge, heavy enemy resistance was met and the attack stalled. Staff Sergeant Goik moved alone to the flank and made his way forward until he could deliver flanking fire on the enemy machine gun, neutralizing it and enabling his squad to move forward. Later, after leading his squad on a patrol, the mission was complete. The patrol was returning to the company when several mortar shells fell in their area. The squad withdrew hurriedly to safety, but it was noted that one member was missing. Staff Sergeant Goik returned to find the missing member. Upon locating him and finding him wounded, he carried him back over hazardous terrain, to safety. By his complete disregard for personal safety and his unselfish devotion to duty, Staff Sergeant Goik brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Donald L. Kay, 35572727, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 18 January 1945, in Belgium. A large enemy patrol attacked a rifle unit before communications had been installed and the defending force called for mortar fire. Staff Sergeant Kay determined to string a wire to the gun positions. Enroute he was forced to scale the under side of a bridge to avoid observation and further on killed a two man patrol, but the task was rapidly completed and the mortars quickly zeroed in on the attackers. By his aggressive action under fire, Staff Sergeant Kay reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

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Technician Third Grade Keith G. Seymour, 17085928, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 April 1945, in Germany. During an extremely heavy artillery barrage, Technician Third Grade Seymour heard cries for help coming from the basement of a house a short distance away. Disregarding the great danger to himself, he ran through the fire to the aid of five wounded colored soldiers. He gave first aid and successfully evacuated the men to an aid station before the shelling ceased. The bravery and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Third Grade Seymour reflect credit upon himself and the Medical Corps. Entered military service from Missouri.

Sergeant Stuart A. Been, 38469048, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. A bridgehead operation was being planned in the area of Sergeant Been's unit, hence all information as to enemy positions, strength and armor was of great importance. This necessitated uninterrupted communications. Sergeant Been and his assistant laid the wire between platoons though at many times they were pinned down by enemy fire that made further effort appear impossible. Sergeant Been's heroic action was materially responsible for the success of the subsequent assault operation. By his heroic courage in the face of heavy fire, Sergeant Been reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Sergeant John D. Tiller, 33218882, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Sergeant Tiller and a comrade volunteered to carry a seriously wounded comrade to a medical corps litter jeep. They courageously made the trip over a narrow bridge constantly under heavy artillery and mortar fire and across open field, 1,000 yards wide, also under direct enemy observation. The first half of the journey completed and the life of the wounded man saved, Sergeant Tiller and his comrade unhesitatingly started back to their unit to proceed with the original mission. By his unselfish heroism, Sergeant Tiller reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Corporal Bernard D. Frost, 35616666, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Corporal Frost volunteered to accompany a patrol to destroy two anti-aircraft guns which had been delivering intermittent fire from an advantageous position overlooking the company. Enroute the men were subjected to heavy sniper and mortar fire, but with great determination, Corporal Frost led them on. When the objective was reached, the guns were found in excellent condition but temporarily unmanned. Quickly placing explosives, the men withdrew and the guns were destroyed. By his courageous devotion to duty, Corporal Frost reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Corporal Milton E. Hild, 18232780, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 17 March 1945, in Germany. When Corporal Hild saw his company Executive Officer shot down in the middle of an intersection by withering fire, he unhesitatingly and without regard for his personal safety, crawled into the open street and dragged the officer to a protected position. There he administered first aid to his wounds while the company withdrew from the deadly fire. Corporal Hild's heroic action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal Harvey H. Otto, 37290204, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 14 March 1945, in Germany. In a large bridgehead operation, Corporal Otto observed an enemy gun emplacement which had pinned down advancing troops. Realizing the necessity for quick action, he boldly ran to the front of a tank destroyer and directed the armored vehicle to a position where it could fire on the hostile position. Corporal Otto remained in his dangerously exposed position until he had adjusted the fire of the tank destroyer and the

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gun emplacement was destroyed. Corporal Otto's indomitable courage reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Technician Fifth Grade George F. Wharton, 35592850, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 April 1945, in Germany. Technician Fifth Grade Wharton, a truck driver, after discharging his load of men, was maneuvering his truck in order to turn about. His was the lead truck of three who were reversing their directions, about 800 yards from the detrucking point. Suddenly and without warning, these three trucks were ambushed by the enemy. One driver and assistant driver were killed, two trucks damaged and one truck with its driver captured. Technician Fifth Grade Wharton, seriously wounded, was shoved from his truck into a ditch and left for dead. A short time later, the convoy officer with additional trucks were about to enter the same trap, but Technician Fifth Grade Wharton, lying in the cover of the ditch, called out in time to stop them. By crying out his warning and exposing his position to the enemy, Technician Fifth Grade Wharton nevertheless prevented nine trucks and 16 drivers from falling into the hands of the enemy. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Tim Babcock, 39331664, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 March 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Babcock braved murderous automatic weapons fire in his determination to secure the aid of the adjacent squad in freeing his own unit, pinned down by withering fire. Upon reaching the unit, he quickly acquainted them with the situation and led them to the enemy's flank and directed the annihilation of the hard fighting group, enabling his men to proceed to the objective. By his heroic execution of duty, Private First Class Babcock reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Montana.

Private First Class John V. Compton, 33662281, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. A bridgehead operation was being planned in the area of Private First Class Compton's unit, hence uninterrupted communication was imperative. Private First Class Compton volunteered to help lay wire from the CP to the outposts. Though often pinned down by fire so intense that any further advance appeared impossible, he inched forward until the tedious task was done. By his unwavering heroism in the face of heavy fire, Private First Class Compton reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class James P. Crewdson, 39465981, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 26 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Crewdson and a comrade volunteered to carry a seriously wounded comrade to a medical corps litter jeep though the trip entailed crossing a narrow bridge under heavy artillery and mortar fire and a field 1,000 yards wide also under direct enemy observation. The intrepid soldiers completed the first half of their journey, turned the wounded man over to medical personnel and unhesitatingly started the hazardous trip back to their unit. By his unwavering courage, Private First Class Crewdson reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class Malton Hood, 35528501, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 16 December 1944, in Germany. The enemy attacked the unit to which Private First Class Hood was attached as medical aid man, with overwhelming forces. During the height of the battle, Private First Class Hood ignored the relentless fire and went from dugout to dugout aiding those men who were wounded. Finally captured, he did not stop for rest but continued to aid both friendly and enemy troops through the night. By his skill and heroism under fire, Private First Class Hood reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

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Private First Class Willis A. Katz, 39212219, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 15 December 1944, in Belgium. While on a patrol to the Siegfried Line, heavy enemy fire pinned down the first scout and halted the patrol. Private First Class Katz maneuvered himself into a position whereby he could bring fire on the enemy, thereby enabling the first scout and the rest of the patrol to withdraw. His report on enemy positions later enabled the company to destroy several pillboxes with a minimum of casualties. Again, on another patrol, when his squad were pinned down by deadly enemy fire, his covering fire enabled the patrol to withdraw and he silenced one of the enemy machine guns. Private First Class Katz, by his complete disregard for his personal safety and his unselfish devotion to duty, reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class Alex M. Leban, 32994486, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 29 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Leban and his bazooka team-mate proceeded on their own initiative to clear a section of the squad's area. Encountering fire from a concealed position, the team sought out and eliminated the hazard with one bazooka round, killing two snipers. A second sniper post was dealt with and accounted for a third dead enemy. Observing twelve riflemen, Private First Class Leban and his comrade pursued and captured the group with an empty bazooka. By his exemplary conduct before the enemy, Private First Class Leban reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Ova B. Lewis, 37642417, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Lewis, leading a patrol to knock out a flak gun, repeatedly exposed himself to deadly fire in an attempt to find a route of approach over which to lead his men. Having chosen the route, he led the group with great skill to a controlling position and opened fire on the enemy. The accurate fire killed four of the gun crew and the troublesome weapon was captured. By his aggressive leadership, Private First Class Lewis reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class Burton G. Lund, 31013215, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 6 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class Lund's platoon was halted by vicious enemy fire. Sighting the source of the fire, Private First Class Lund crawled forward, unmindful of the extreme danger to himself. When he reached a point close to the emplacement, he opened fire with his automatic rifle. The platoon moved forward and found seven dead enemy, the result of Private First Class Lund's accurate fire. By his intense devotion to duty, Private First Class Lund reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Private First Class Larion McKinney, 34572513, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 April 1945, in Germany. The platoon scouts were seriously wounded by withering machine gun fire and lay 200 yards in front of the platoon. In full view of the enemy, Private First Class McKinney dashed forward across the open ground. He reached the wounded men, gave first aid and started back. Despite his Red Cross markings, the enemy opened fire. He was painfully wounded in the stomach, shoulder and thighs. By sheer determination he crawled to his unit. Private First Class McKinney, true to the Medical Corps code, gave aid when aid was needed, without regard for his personal safety. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Morris J. Mills, 33717767, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 25 April 1945, in Germany. As the platoon crossed flat terrain 1,000 yards north of an enemy-held town, it was fired upon by a numerically superior

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force, well dug-in and supported by automatic weapons and mortars. Several of the platoon were wounded and Private First Class Mills, unhesitatingly volunteered to return for aid men. Creeping, crawling and rushing, he crossed the open terrain, secured medical aid and led them again under fire to his wounded comrades. By his heroic actions, made with total disregard for his own safety, Private First Class Mills undoubtedly saved the lives of several of his comrades. His unselfish devotion to duty reflects credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class William Woo, 39472412, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 3 January 1945, in Belgium. When Private First Class Woo saw the first scout of his combat patrol cut down by fire from a machine gun position, he swung into instant and determined action. He crawled under the intense fire to the flank of the enemy, threw a well-aimed hand grenade, killing the three man crew. Private First Class Woo then ran to the wounded scout, administered first aid and carried him to safety. By his exemplary conduct before the enemy, Private First Class Woo reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Washington.

Private Thomas Lesker, 38408002, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 13 March 1945, in Germany. Private Lesker, a radioman, was accompanying the lead platoon when their advance was halted by the withering fire of two machine guns. He could not contact the company 200 yards to the rear because a shell fragment had damaged his radio. With utter disregard for his safety he inched his way backward to the Command Post. There he directed firing, a smoke screen to allow his platoon to withdraw and firing of mortars to destroy the machine guns. By his bravery and devotion to duty, Private Lesker reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

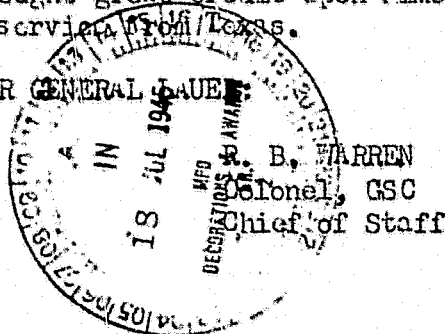
Private Milton M. Moerbe, 38680105, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 1 March 1945, in Germany. Private Moerbe performed his duties of ammunition bearer to a heavy machine gun squad, fearlessly and efficiently. While under heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, he attempted to return to the supply dump for much needed ammunition. Threading his way through the town which was still under enemy fire and not yet cleared of the enemy, he was fired upon by a sniper. Maneuvering himself so that he could draw fire from the enemy, he located the sniper's position and eliminated him. Private Moerbe then continued on, finally reaching the ammunition dump and eventually returning to his waiting crew. Private Moerbe's complete disregard for his personal safety and his unselfish devotion to duty brought great credit upon himself and the military service. Entered military service from Texas.

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I. AWARD OF THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE (SERVICE BATTERY, 370TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION)--Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the Service Battery, 370th Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945.

Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Unit Plaque is awarded to the Service Battery, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks during the period 1 September 1944 to 1 March 1945.

II. AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 27 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star Medal:

Colonel Robert B. Warren, 019380, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945, in Germany. On making a map study of an impending attack, Colonel Warren visualized the possibility of failure because the plan did not contemplate capturing high ground dominating the Weid River. Colonel Warren proceeded with a regimental commander to the forward elements to make a daylight reconnaissance. In direct view of the enemy and under intermittent shelling, Colonel Warren made his way fearlessly along a half mile of the front line area. Upon the basis of his observation, the entire corps plan of attack was altered. By his gallant action before the enemy, Colonel Warren undoubtedly caused American lives to be saved. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Colonel James K. Woolnough, 018709, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945, in Germany. When the division had orders to force a crossing of the Weid River, only tentative boundaries between divisions was given. On making a map study of the attack, Colonel Woolnough foresaw the possibility of failure because the plan of attack did not include the capturing of high ground dominating the Weid River. Colonel Woolnough made a personal daylight reconnaissance of the area to study the terrain. To maintain secrecy, no guard or security measures were taken and the reconnaissance was made under enemy fire and observation. As a result of this gallant and fearless action, an eye-witness estimate was given the Corps Commander and the entire Corps plan of attack was altered, undoubtedly resulting in the saving of many American lives. Entered military service from Virginia.

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IV. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 3, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

Captain Lawson D. Hedrick, 01549289, 799th Ordnance Company (LM), United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 16 December 1944 to 15 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain Harry D. Phillips, 01001212, Headquarters 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 15 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Colorado.

Captain Richard Henry Smoot, 0545098, 324th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 7 January 1945 to 12 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Captain Carl S. Swisher, 01294749, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Captain John E. Veneklasen, 01299328, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Lieutenant James H. Deese, 02005349, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant Fred Mitchell, 01319310, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Chief Warrant Officer Willis R. Betz, W-2108693, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 7 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade William J. Hervey, Jr., W-2135369, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945 in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade Anthony S. Montgomery, W-2129358, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 12 November 1944 to 7 May 1945 in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from California.

First Sergeant Clinton F. Rasmussen, 36130040, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Sergeant Arthur F. Koepke, 6863696, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 28 January 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Technical Sergeant Herman Hensley, 33450978, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 17 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Technical Sergeant Alex Wertz, 37072461, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant Harold S. Keller, 15104780, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant William G. Schiming, 35524793, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Harry W. Strohm, 35617587, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade Walter T. Morrison, 35745647, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Douglas E. Mesco, 33627746, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade Howard S. Showalter, 35616528, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 1 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Richard F. Brunner, 35630072, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Silas Diviney, 34495364, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Dwight S. Williams, 18194701, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Robert C. Yost, 33582026, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Abraham E. Ytuarte, 18154499, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

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Staff Sergeant Harold S. Keller, 15104780, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 10 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant William G. Schiming, 35524793, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 20 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Harry W. Strohm, 35617587, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade Walter T. Morrison, 35745647, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 14 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Douglas E. Mesco, 33627746, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 9 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

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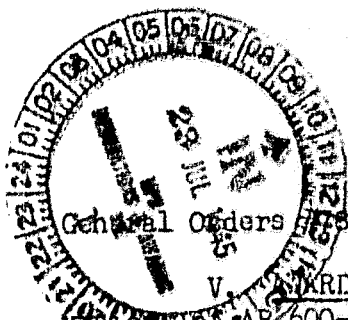
Private First Class Richard F. Brunner, 35630072, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Silas Diviney, 34495364, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class Dwight S. Williams, 18194701, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 11 November 1944 to 8 May 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Private First Class Robert C. Yost, 33582026, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Abraham E. Ytuarte, 18154499, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy from 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945, in Belgium and Germany. Entered military service from Texas.



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V. AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers are awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal:

First Lieutenant Birkhead Jackson, O1172924, 372d Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 2 March 1945 and 27 March 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Arkansas.

First Lieutenant Wayne T. Shull, O1178540, 371st Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight between 25 January 1945 and 10 April 1945, in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Michigan.

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I. AWARD - POSTHUMOUSLY - SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is posthumously awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Staff Sergeant Merle A. Wright, 32832614, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 30 April 1945, in Germany. Staff Sergeant Wright encountered a machine gun position and was seriously wounded. Lying in the open, he directed his squad to safety and stayed in this position, guiding the whole company past the machine gun until he was wounded a second time by a sniper and rendered unconscious. Had it not been for his gallant action the company would have suffered untold casualties and would have been delayed in taking their objective. Staff Sergeant Wright later died from wounds received in this action. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from New York.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officers and enlisted man are awarded the Silver Star Medal:

Colonel John R. Jeter, 016342, 394th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 April 1945, in Germany. When Colonel Jeter's regiment reached the Danube, the troops were physically exhausted from the gruelling four day fighting march. By his personal example of bravery under the shell fire, Colonel Jeter inspired his men to the supreme effort of preparing the necessary security measures and to plan a crossing of the river in the event that relief was not available. Colonel Jeter's gallant and courageous leadership is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin R. Davis, 0350992, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 April 1945, in Germany. After fighting through heavily fortified positions to the approach of Ihmert, Germany, the battalion commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Davis found itself facing a strongly defended town. He decided on a night attack even though the men had been attacking continuously for many days. When he had completed his personal reconnaissance of the terrain under enemy fire, he led his men in the plan he had devised. With two companies he attacked from the West and South and used the remaining rifle company to make a wide envelopment, thereby cutting the enemy's routes of withdrawal to the West. This plan was so successful that the battalion had captured 1400 prisoners and considerable enemy equipment by daylight. The courageous action displayed by Lieutenant Colonel Davis on this occasion is in the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

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Second Lieutenant Frank C. Smith, 02005475, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945, in Germany. After leading his platoon through heavy fire to capture an enemy held town, Second Lieutenant Smith immediately organized a superior defense against a counter-attack. Then he remained throughout the night with the men who had been wounded in the initial assault. The following morning, the enemy attacked with infantry and three tanks, but Second Lieutenant Smith calmly directed his men to the end that 15 enemy soldiers were killed, two tanks destroyed and the remaining force retreating in confusion. Second Lieutenant Smith's gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Richard A. Sharp, 35718829, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. When the rifle troops which he was following were pinned down, Staff Sergeant Sharp crawled to the front of the halted column and located the enemy machine gun. He then made his way back to his section and directed fire on the gun and silenced it. As the troops again moved forward, they were met by incessant mortar barrages. Staff Sergeant Sharp moved out alone across an open field under the withering stream of automatic fire and located the mortar. He then diverted the fire of his section on the designated spot and four German mortar men raised a white flag and surrendered. By his aggressiveness and gallantry in action, Staff Sergeant Sharp brought credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Kentucky.

III. AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal:

Lieutenant Colonel Warren W. Simpson, 0342203, Headquarters Special Troops, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 9 March 1945, in Germany. Lieutenant Colonel Simpson's leading the Advance Division CP across the Ludendorf Bridge, spanning the Rhine River, will go down in history as the famous "Remagen Bridgehead". Lieutenant Colonel Simpson here demonstrated every quality necessary to meet all exigencies of a leader participating in a difficult combat mission. His coolness and personal leadership demonstrated at a crucial time was in keeping with the glorious examples carried down throughout the history of our Army. His ability to fully realize seriousness of a situation and the will to complete a mission are superb. Entered military service from Texas.

IV. AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Bronze Star Medal:

First Lieutenant Edwin A. Schweiger, 02005346, 393d Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 11 April 1945, in Germany. When his company was pinned down on the attack, First Lieutenant Schweiger, with one volunteer, set up a machine gun in the open under constant enemy fire and succeeded in eliminating one German flank gun. Then, crawling 50 yards more and setting up his gun again, still under heavy fire, he drove the enemy from another gun position. Through this courageous action, the company was released from the deadly fire and allowed to proceed to their objective. First Lieutenant Schweiger's exemplary conduct before the enemy reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Nebraska.

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Technical Sergeant Guy L. Callahan, 35570460, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 24 April 1945, in Germany. While crossing the Danube River, Technical Sergeant Callahan's company was held up by small arms and machine gun fire from an adjacent woods. Technical Sergeant Callahan cleverly deploy his men and advanced into the woods. Although seriously wounded in the back, he continued to give orders and direct his platoon so successfully that the enemy was finally forced to withdraw, thus allowing his company to continue. Technical Sergeant Callahan's splendid leadership ability, even while seriously wounded and unable to continue to fight, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Leo Torokhanian, 31364610, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 5 March 1945, in Germany. As first scout of his company, Sergeant Torokhanian detected the presence of a large number of enemy. He returned to his platoon and personally led them in a flanking movement. By exposing himself and drawing the enemy fire, he succeeded in distracting the enemy's attention to such an extent that the platoon was able to outflank, surprise, and capture the two enemy companies. Sergeant Torokhanian's courage and foresight reflect great credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade John R. Floyd, 34574983, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 28 April 1945, in Germany. His company's advance had been halted by intense and observed enemy fire when Technician Fifth Grade Floyd saw a man wounded by sniper fire. He sprang from his shelter, braved the withering fire of the enemy and reached the injured man. Still under intense fire, he treated his wounds and then, with the assistance of a soldier nearby, carried the wounded man back to a defilade position. The intense devotion to duty exhibited by Technician Fifth Grade Floyd reflects great credit upon himself and his unit. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class Francis H. Cunningham, 37691334, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. While constructing a road block and defensive position, Private First Class Cunningham's company was placed under such intense fire that a withdrawal became necessary. When it was found that two desperately needed mortars and ammunition had been left behind, Private First Class Cunningham and two comrades volunteered to return to the position upon which the enemy was advancing to retrieve them. Though constantly under intense fire, the dauntless soldiers successfully completed the mission. By his intense devotion to duty, Private First Class Cunningham reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class John D. Huckabee, Jr., 34464672, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. While constructing a road block and defensive position, Private First Class Huckabee's company was placed under such intense fire that a withdrawal became necessary. When it was discovered that two desperately needed mortars and ammunition had been left behind, he and two comrades volunteered to return to the position upon which the enemy was advancing to retrieve them. Although under the murderous fire, the intrepid soldiers accomplished the mission successfully. By his heroism under fire, Private First Class Huckabee reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class Russell E. Krueger, 37776091, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 7 April 1945, in Germany. While preparing a road block and defensive position, Private First Class Krueger's company was placed under fire so intense that a withdrawal became necessary. When it was found that

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two desperately needed mortars and ammunition had been left behind, Private First Class Krueger and two comrades volunteered to return to retrieve them. The intrepid soldiers moved forward under relentless fire until the mission was accomplished. By his heroism under fire, Private First Class Krueger reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class Robert G. McNally, 42175108, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Private First Class McNally and a comrade were to support Company "B" with machine gun fire. When the riflemen were met with heavy sniper fire, he retaliated by spraying the area with heavy fire. At once, enemy anti-aircraft guns fired directly at the machine gun and its brave crew. While others took cover, Private First Class McNally remained at his machine gun and continued to deliver accurate fire until all the anti-aircraft guns were silenced and Company "B" was able to move forward to accomplish its mission. The intense devotion to duty displayed by Private First Class McNally reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private Wesley C. LaCosse, 35909617, 395th Infantry, United States Army, for heroic action in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 April 1945, in Germany. Private LaCosse and a comrade were to support Company "B" with machine gun fire. When the riflemen were met with heavy sniper fire, he retaliated by spraying the area with heavy fire. At once, enemy anti-aircraft guns fired directly at the machine gun and its brave crew. While others took cover, Private LaCosse remained at his machine gun and continued to deliver accurate fire until all the anti-aircraft guns were silenced and Company "B" was able to move forward to accomplish its mission. The intense devotion to duty displayed by Private LaCosse reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

V. AWARD OF THE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following enlisted man is awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal:

Private First Class Sandy Conklin, 32943645, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 28 June 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

VI. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL: Under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and in accordance with authority contained in Paragraph 2, Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, 26 April 1944, the following officer and enlisted men are awarded the Purple Heart Medal:

Second Lieutenant Clinton F. Rasmussen, 02026225, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant Earl D. Bowman, 33456761, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 16 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Third Grade Guy W. Thomas, 35689517, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade Leonard J. Buckner, 35689120, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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Technician Fourth Grade Phil F. Lyle, 35535725, 99th Signal Company, 99th Infantry Division. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 2 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade Harry H. Singer, 35918396, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 11 March 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Robert B. Underhill, 35406145, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 17 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Clinton K. Clark, 35782549, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 12 April 1945, in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class Joseph C. Voight, 19134796, 393d Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 18 December 1944, in Belgium. Entered military service from Oregon.

Private Fred H. Winston, 34798379, 394th Infantry. For wounds received as a result of enemy action on 1 January 1945, in Belgium. Entered military service from Florida.

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