

them and forcing their surrender. While disarming his prisoners, he was subjected to fire from two of the enemy Infantrymen hiding in a nearby bush. Unhesitatingly, he opened fire, killing one of the enemy and wounding the other. Pfc. Elmore's courageous actions and aggressive initiative were directly responsible for the capture of nine of the enemy and the killing of one, contributing materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class SALVATORE R. GIUNTA, 32591163, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Strodt Germany. While on duty at an Observation Post, Pfc. Giunta was subjected to an intense enemy snelling. When the vital lines of communication to the Command Post had been severed time and again by the enemy barrage, he repeatedly exposed himself to the heavy enemy fire to service them. After the lines had been damaged beyond repair, he then employed his radio set until it too was damaged by shrapnel. Realizing the importance of maintaining contact with the Regimental Commander, he voluntarily ran across three hundred yards of open, fire swept terrain on three occasions to a Battalion Command Post, from which point the information could be relayed by phone. Pfc. Giunta's devotion to duty, technical skill, and courageous actions in notifying the Regimental Commander of all enemy troop movements contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private CHARLES W. JAREMA, 32385212, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 April 1945 in the vicinity of Fredrichsbrunn, Germany. Seeing a man fall seriously wounded, Pvt. Jarema ran one hundred yards over open terrain to reach the casualty. With complete disregard for personal safety, he ignored the small arms fire directed at him, remaining in an exposed position to administer emergency medical treatment. Despite the increased intensity of the enemy fire, he carried the wounded man back over the open terrain to a point of safety. Pvt. Jarema's courageous actions, aggressive initiative, and technical skill contributed materially to the saving of a man's life. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD F. LAWLOR, 31343507, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notsched, Germany. During a fierce enemy aerial bombardment, Sgt. Lawlor's battery suffered direct hits, setting fire to a camouflage net and vital ammunition stores. Observing a bomb fall within five feet of a foxhole completely covering the occupant, Sgt. Lawlor and another man immediately rushed to his aid. Despite the continued intensity of the hostile attack and the danger from exploding ammunition, the two men remained in their exposed position until they had extracted the wounded man. Sgt. Lawlor's courageous actions and devotion to duty were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Corporal CARL H. BJORKLUND, 31005012, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 2 February 1945 in the vicinity of Hofen, Germany. During a fierce enemy artillery and mortar barrage, vital wire lines between the Observation Post and Firing Batteries were severed. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Bjorklund exposed himself on numerous occasions to the intense enemy fire to repair broken lines of communication. Cpl. Bjorklund's courageous actions and technical skill insured consistently efficient communications, enabling accurate supporting fire to be delivered on enemy targets. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Corporal JAMES A. CORNWELL, 1601527, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 23 April 1943 in the vicinity of Sedjane Valley, Tunisia. During a fierce enemy artillery and mortar barrage, vital wire lines between the Observation Post and Firing Batteries were severed. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Cornell exposed himself to the intense enemy fire to repair the broken lines of communications. While returning to his battery, Cpl.

Cornell observed a wounded man laying in an open field. Unhesitatingly, he crossed the open terrain, ignoring the continued enemy fire, to administer emergency medical treatment to the casualty and then evacuated him to an Aid Station. Cpl. Cornell's courageous actions and devotion to duty insured the constant flow of communications and were instrumental in the saving of a man's life. Entered military service from Michigan.

Corporal SIDNEY L. HENDREN, 16016169, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notscheid, Germany. During a fierce enemy aerial bombardment, Cpl. Hendren's gun section suffered a direct hit, setting fire to a camouflage net and vital ammunition stores. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Hendren, equipped with a shovel, proceeded to fight the growing blaze. Although wounded by fragments from a detonated fuse, he remained at his hazardous position until the fire had been completely extinguished. Cpl. Hendren's courageous actions and devotion to duty were instrumental in the conservation of vital ammunition and equipment, contributing materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal JOHN A. ZALEWSKI, 13045495, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notscheid, Germany. During a fierce enemy aerial bombardment, Cpl. Zalewski's gun section suffered a direct hit, setting fire to a camouflage net and vital ammunition stores. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Zalewski carried two boxes of fuses that were already burning to a point where none of the troops would be endangered. Cpl. Zalewski's courageous actions and devotion to duty contributed materially to the conservation of vital material and prevented casualties to the members of his unit. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade BENJAMIN F. HATCHER, 37121404, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 29 March 1943 in the vicinity of El Guettar, Tunisia. During a fierce enemy artillery and mortar barrage, communication lines between Cpl. Hatcher's gun and the Observation Post were severed. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Hatcher exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to hold the broken wire line together, thereby restoring communications and enabling his gun to fulfill all fire orders. Cpl. Hatcher's courageous actions and devotion to duty insured the assault elements of the Infantry of effective supporting fire and contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL W. WESSLER, 34260337, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 20 December 1944 in the vicinity of Kalterherberg, Germany. During a fierce enemy artillery and mortar barrage, vital wire lines between the Observation Post and Firing Batteries were severed. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Wessler exposed himself on numerous occasions to the intense enemy fire to repair broken lines of communication. Cpl. Wessler's courageous actions and technical skill insured consistently efficient communications, enabling accurate supporting fire to be delivered on enemy targets. Entered military service from Alabama.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. DAILYDAS, 6761677, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notscheid, Germany. During a fierce enemy aerial bombardment, Pfc. Dailydas' gun section suffered a direct hit, setting fire to a camouflage net and vital ammunition stores. Unhesitatingly, Pfc. Dailydas proceeded to fight the growing blaze but was badly shaken when a bomb landed nearby. With complete disregard for personal safety, he remained at his hazardous position until the fire had been completely extinguished. Pfc. Dailydas' courageous actions and devotion to duty contributed materially to the conservation of vital ammunition and equipment. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH J. HILL, 36684618, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Ordorf, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assaulting armored elements, Sgt. Hill's platoon was subjected to intense rocket fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he remained at his hazardous driving post, maneuvering his armored vehicle in an effort to dodge the fire directed at him. Despite the continued intensity of the enemy fire, Sgt. Hill successfully evacuated many casualties from the fire swept area. Sgt. Hill's courageous actions and technical skill were instrumental in the saving of many lives and were, at all times, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal CHARLES J. ALDIERI, (then Private First Class), 31379826 Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Ordorf, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assaulting armored elements, Cpl. Aldieri's platoon was subjected to intense enemy rocket fire. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he remained in his exposed position and delivered a heavy volume of cannon fire against the enemy rocketeers. Although under heavy enemy fire, Cpl. Aldieri continued to direct accurate cannon fire at the enemy, forcing the hostile units to remain at a distance. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in keeping his cannon in continuous operation at a critical time, contributing materially to his unit's successful attack. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class JOHN J. LACY, 38261371, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Ordorf, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assaulting armored elements, Pfc. Lacy's platoon was subjected to intense enemy rocket fire. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he remained in his exposed position and delivered a heavy volume of cannon fire against the enemy rocketeers. Although under heavy enemy fire, Pfc. Lacy continued to direct accurate cannon fire at the enemy, forcing the hostile units to remain at a distance. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in keeping his cannon in continuous operation at a critical time, contributing materially to his unit's successful attack. Entered military service from Louisiana.

**III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Staff Sergeant ALVIE L. GLASSCO, 34580378, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Alabama.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND G. HANSEN, 33407954, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 3 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade ROY BOLEN, 35106881, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN R. DONOHUE, 37123796, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN R. FOLEY, 33064758, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 11 June 1944 to 18 September 1944 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Maryland.

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Technician Fifth Grade ROY W. REIL, 35457796, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class LUTHER R. GENTRY, 34084879, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 10 March 1945 to 15 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class LEONARD N. GUYETTE, 32444934, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 10 March 1945 to 15 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class CLARENCE E. McDONALD, 39170200, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 December 1944 to 1 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class GEORGE R. McDONOUGH, JR., 32095816, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 April 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class FREDERICK T. SZLOSEK, 31347970, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class WILBUR A. WOLFCALE, 35349108, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 15 February 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

IV-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Staff Sergeant JAMES E. WESTFALL, 6947370, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notscheid, Germany. During a fierce enemy aerial bombardment, Sgt. Westfall's gun section suffered a direct hit, setting fire to a camouflage net and vital ammunition stores. Although badly shaken by the concussion of the explosions, Sgt. Westfall organized a group of men and proceeded to fight the growing blaze. Despite the continuous aerial attack and the extreme danger from exploding ammunition, Sgt. Westfall remained at his hazardous post until the fire had been completely extinguished. Sgt. Westfall's courageous actions were instrumental in the conservation of vital ammunition and equipment, contributing materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from West Virginia.

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I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

First Sergeant GEORGE A. DeDONATO, 31326743, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 April 1945 in the vicinity of Kothen, Germany. During an attack against strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. DeDonato's Company was subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar, and tank fire. Seeing his platoon leader fall fatally wounded, he unhesitatingly assumed command and quickly reorganizing the scattered elements of his unit, led them in an assault against the stubbornly resisting enemy troops. Routing the enemy, his men were preparing defenses around the newly secured objective when the enemy launched a vicious counterattack with a numerically superior force. Sgt. DeDonato, displaying complete disregard for his personal safety, exposed himself to the deadly rifle fire to direct and control the movements of his men. The accurate, concentrated fire of his platoon, neutralized two machine guns and forced the hostile force to withdraw in confusion. Sgt. DeDonato's devotion to duty, aggressive actions, and courageous leadership were instrumental in enabling his unit to retain their strategic position, contributing materially to the success of his organization's defensive operations. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH F. JARZYNSKA, (then Staff Sergeant), 33037015, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 March 1945 in the vicinity of Fussenich, Germany. While in a forward defensive position with his squad, Sgt. Jarzynka observed a hostile force consisting of two platoons, preparing to launch an assault through his position against the main body. Quickly grasping the seriousness of the situation, he sent half of his squad to intercept the infiltrating enemy and retained the remainder of his men to resist the impending attack. Although seriously wounded, Sgt. Jarzynka delivered a heavy volume of accurate BAR fire on the assaulting enemy, forcing them to withdraw in confusion. His devotion to duty, aggressive leadership, and courageous actions were instrumental in killing three, wounding five, and capturing eighteen of the enemy, contributing materially to the success of his platoon's defensive operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant EDWARD F. MATLOCK, 32066445, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 November 1944 in the vicinity of Gressenich, Germany. During a fierce attack against strongly defended hostile positions, Sgt. Matlock's machine gun section was subjected to intense fire from a well concealed enemy machine gun. With complete disregard for personal safety, Sgt. Matlock crawled to within twenty feet of the enemy position to throw two hand grenades that killed one and wounded two of the enemy, completely neutralizing the emplacement. Sgt. Matlock's courageous actions and devotion to duty enabled his unit to continue their advance and deliver supporting fire for the assault elements. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant NORMAN J. HYDE, 33611982, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. While engaged in fierce house to house fighting, with a strong hostile

force of parachute troops, Sgt. Hyde's Company was subjected to a furious enemy onslaught, supported by two tanks. The assaulting Infantry poured a devastating hail of small arms and tank fire at the building occupied by his squad, setting the barn on fire and seriously wounding two of the men. Realizing their position was no longer tenable, Sgt. Hyde directed his squad to secure positions in an adjoining building while he remained to administer emergency medical treatment to the casualties. Although under direct enemy observation and fire, he unhesitatingly made his way to procure a litter and with the assistance of another man proceeded to evacuate the men. Despite the withering and concentrated enemy fire, Sgt. Hyde succeeded in removing the men to the comparative safety of a nearby building. His devotion to duty, aggressive leadership, and courageous actions were directly responsible for saving the lives of both of the wounded men. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant NICHOLAS PALEGA, 32003117, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bruchhausen, Germany. While moving against strongly defended enemy positions, the assault elements of the Infantry encountered a numerically superior hostile force counterattacking in the immediate area. Displaying complete disregard for his personal safety, Sgt. Palega went with his Company Commander to deploy the men in advantageous firing positions, despite the concentrated enemy tank and small arms fire directed at them. With his Commander fatally wounded, Sgt. Palega unhesitatingly exposed himself to the deadly enemy fire and moved from position to position, reassuring the men by his calm exhibition and controlling their fire and movements. When a smoke screen was laid to permit the withdrawal of the men from untenable positions, he remained in open terrain subjected to the devastating fusillade until they had retired to more strategic positions. Sgt. Palega's devotion to duty, courageous leadership, and aggressive actions were instrumental in the successful repelling of the enemy thrust and contributed materially to his Company's outstanding achievement. Entered military service from New York.

Staff sergeant ROBERT POWELL, (then Private), 38059395, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. During an advance against strongly defended enemy positions, the assault elements of the Infantry were subjected to intense enemy artillery, machine gun, and small arms fire. Realizing the need for a rapid advance, Sgt. Powell immediately exposed himself to direct enemy observation and fire to singlehandedly assault the enemy strong point. Although his carbine was shot from his hands, he unhesitatingly secured a hand grenade and lobbed it into the positions. Sgt. Powell's bold and fearless actions resulted in the neutralization of the enemy, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Texas.

Sergeant WILLIAM R. SANDERS, 38500985, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Apperode, Germany. Armored vehicles moving forward to support the assault elements of the Infantry were subjected to concentrated fire from an enemy strong point, consisting of three fortified buildings, a road block, and entrenched riflemen. Seeing that the armored elements were unable to continue to their objective, Sgt. Sanders, with complete disregard for his personal safety, made his way to an abandoned tank and drove it toward the stubbornly resisting enemy troops. Although under intense fire, he delivered a heavy volume of devastating machine gun fire against the enemy emplacements until the guns jammed. He then left the tank in a hail of deadly rifle fire, rejoined his unit and assisted in subduing the scattered remnants of the hostile force. Sgt. Sanders' devotion to duty, aggressive actions, and courageous conduct under fire were instrumental in enabling the armored units to execute their mission, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Corporal JOHAN B. WILDAY, 16017136, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Mehlingen, Germany. During a fierce

enemy counterattack, Cpl. Wilday's squad was subjected to intense enemy fire from a hostile force of approximately two hundred men. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Wilday exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to deploy and direct the fire power of his squad. With the assistance of another man, Cpl. Wilday personally manned the squad's 57mm gun and delivered a heavy volume of accurate fire at enemy targets. Cpl. Wilday's aggressive leadership, devotion to duty, and intrepidity under fire contributed materially to the repulsing of the enemy thrust with a minimum of casualties and were instrumental in the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class THOMAS E. JACKSON, 34857316, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 March 1945 in the vicinity of Ohlenberg, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Jackson observed one of the men fall seriously wounded. Although wounded himself, he voluntarily left the security of his fox hole in order to go to the aid of the wounded man. Administering emergency medical treatment to the casualty and placing him in a position of comparative safety, he then worked his way back to the Battalion Aid Station in order to secure litter bearers. Pfc. Jackson's complete disregard for personal safety and courageous actions were instrumental in saving the life of the wounded man. Entered military service from North Carolina.

II-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to:

Sergeant SAM A. KLEIN, 37467016, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 March 1945 in the vicinity of Linz, Germany. During a fierce enemy counterattack, several hostile armored vehicles penetrated the forward Infantry defenses and subjected Sgt. Klein and the other member of the Forward Observation Party to deadly artillery and machine gun fire. Forced to take cover, Sgt. Klein and one other man unhesitatingly left their positions of comparative safety to move the radio to a more commanding point. Although exposed to the concentrated fire and under direct observation, they operated the radio, directing and adjusting the supporting fire, thereby enabling a concentrated barrage to be delivered against the enemy armor. They remained at their post, despite the intense fire brought to bear against the position, controlling the artillery fire until the hostile tanks withdrew. Sgt. Klein's devotion to duty, aggressive actions and courage under fire were instrumental in repelling the enemy armored thrust and contributed materially to the Infantry's success in regaining their strategic positions. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class GEORGE E. FAHRMAN, JR., 33208688, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 March 1945 in the vicinity of Linz, Germany. During a fierce enemy counterattack, several hostile armored vehicles penetrated the forward Infantry defenses and subjected Pfc. Fahrman and the other member of the Forward Observation Party to deadly artillery and machine gun fire. Forced to take cover, Pfc. Fahrman and one other man unhesitatingly left their positions of comparative safety to move the radio to a more commanding point. Although exposed to the concentrated fire and under direct observation they operated the radio, directing and adjusting the supporting fire, thereby enabling a concentrated barrage to be delivered against the enemy armor. They remained at their post, despite the intense fire brought to bear against the position, controlling the artillery fire until the hostile tanks withdrew. Pfc. Fahrman's devotion to duty, aggressive actions and courage under fire were instrumental in repelling the enemy armored thrust and contributed materially to the Infantry's success in regaining their strategic positions. Entered military service from Maryland.

**AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Captain **JAMES L. O'KEEFE**, (then First Lieutenant), 01284197, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 20 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettleschloss, Germany. One antitank platoon and one rifle platoon of the Company were assigned the mission of establishing a road block at a critical point. Realizing the importance of reconnoitering the surrounding area to secure the most advantageous firing positions, Capt. O'Keefe unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for his personal safety exposed himself to the intense enemy fire to do so. Although under direct enemy observation and fire, he completed his reconnaissance and insured the setting up of an effective road block. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in repulsing an enemy assault directed against the position, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Washington.

Staff Sergeant **JOSEPH F. MLAKAR**, 33437430, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 5 April 1945 in the vicinity of Oberkirchen, Germany. During the attack on this town, Sgt. Mlakar's platoon was fired upon heavily by the enemy. Despite the fact that a large area of fire swept ground had to be crossed before reaching the town, Sgt. Mlakar bravely led his men forward, inspiring them with his courage and determination to beat the enemy. Sgt. Mlakar's brave actions assisted in the securing of the objective and contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant **JOSEPH F. TROPEANO**, 32763538, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 11 March 1945 in the vicinity of Orsburg, Germany. During an attack in their locality, Sgt. Tropeano led his squad forward under an intense enemy mortar barrage. He succeeded in capturing a house used by the enemy as an outpost, together with twenty prisoners. During the action, one of his men was severely wounded. Despite the intense mortar and artillery fire which began falling on the newly won position, Sgt. Tropeano stayed in the exposed position, rendering first aid and calming the injured man until the barrage had lifted and he could be safely evacuated. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant **CHESTER S. WOFSEY**, 13105570, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. During a night attack against the strongly defended Frenzeberg Castle, Sgt. Wofsey's Mortar Squad was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. Despite the increasing intensity of the enemy fire, Sgt. Wofsey remained in an exposed position to direct the deployment and fire power of his squad. When a retrograde movement became necessary he unhesitatingly led his men through the interdicted area to a more strategic position. Learning that one of the mortars had been left behind, Sgt. Wofsey crossed the fire swept terrain and successfully returned the vital weapon. The courageous actions and aggressive leadership displayed by Sgt. Wofsey contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations and insured the assault elements of the Infantry of effective supporting fire. Entered military service from Washington, D. C.

Sergeant **TAYLOR G. JACKSON**, 34883596, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 19 September 1944 in the vicinity of Krewinkle, Germany. While in a defensive position, Sgt. Jackson's mortar emplacement was subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. Seeing several members of the mortar squad fall seriously wounded, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the enemy fire to go to their aid. Upon administering emergency medical treatment and removing the casualties to a place of safety, Sgt. Jackson returned to his mortar position and delivered accurate fire on enemy concentrations and assaulting riflemen, thereby providing effective supporting fire for



the defending units. Sgt. Jackson's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in repelling the enemy thrust, contributing materially to the success of his Company's defensive operations. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class PAUL COHEN, 32819415, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 1 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. During a fierce hostile artillery barrage, communications between the forward observer and Pfc. Cohen's Mortar Platoon were severed. With complete disregard for personal safety, Pfc. Cohen remained in an exposed position for almost an hour under the devastating enemy fire to relay fire orders from the forward observer to the Mortar Platoon. Pfc. Cohen's courageous actions and devotion to duty insured the assault elements of the Infantry of effective supporting fire, and contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class JOHN JACOBY, 33793806, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 9 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. In a defensive position, Pfc. Jacoby's unit was subjected to an extremely intense enemy artillery barrage. Busy at first keeping communication lines in order, Pfc. Jacoby also volunteered to act as a forward observer. Unable to use a radio, he lay in an exposed position, without regard for personal safety, in order to relay fire orders to the supporting Infantry. During this time, he killed one enemy soldier and wounded five others who attempted to take his position. Pfc. Jacoby's actions contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class RICHARD L. LAMONT, 35090677, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 August 1944 in the vicinity of Vernevil, France. While delivering effective supporting fire for the advancing Infantry, Pfc. LaMont's machine gun squad was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, Pfc. LaMont remained at his hazardous post, despite the increasing intensity of the enemy fire. Although three bullet holes were in the water jacket of his gun, he continued to deliver a withering hail of fire at enemy targets, inflicting numerous casualties. Pfc. LaMont's courageous actions insured the assaulting riflemen of effective supporting fire and contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class RICHARD E. SANTIMO, 36586334, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 1 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Pfc. Santimo's Company was subjected to intense enemy fire. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he quickly emplaced his mortar and delivered a heavy volume of accurate fire on the enemy gun positions. Although exposed and under continuous enemy fire, Pfc. Santimo remained at his post, providing effective supporting fire for the assaulting units. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions enabled his Company to resume the advance and to successfully complete its mission. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class RALPH W. KINNEY, 36677942, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 8 August 1944 in the vicinity of Chevalance Le Roussel, France. While assaulting strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Kinney and eight other men with three tanks lost contact with their unit. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, they launched an attack in an effort to break through the encircling hostile force. Although subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire, Pfc. Kinney and the other men boldly pressed their fierce onslaught and succeeded in breaking through. The enemy, disorganized and thrown into confusion, withdrew, enabling the group of men not only to rejoin their unit but also to take 20 prisoners. Pfc. Kinney's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of the isolated party's operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class ANTHONY J. FIORE, 31016577, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notscheid, Germany. During a fierce enemy aerial bombardment, Pfc. Fiore's battery suffered direct hits, setting fire to a camouflage net and vital ammunition stores. Observing a bomb fall within five feet of a foxhole completely covering the occupant, Pfc. Fiore and another man immediately rushed to his aid. Despite the continued intensity of the hostile attack and the danger from exploding ammunition, the two men remained in their exposed position until they had extracted the wounded man. Pfc. Fiore's courageous actions and devotion to duty were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class EDWARD P. LANGHAM, 32141068, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 8 August 1943 in the vicinity of Troina, Sicily. While laying wire from his battery position to an Observation Post, Pfc. Langham was subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he remained exposed to the heavy enemy fire to successfully complete his hazardous mission. Pfc. Langham's courageous actions and devotion to duty insured the constant flow of communications, enabling effective supporting fire to be delivered at hostile targets. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal L. A. JOHNSON, 33114226, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 11 March 1945 in the vicinity of Erpel, Germany. While displacing forward across the Ludendorf Bridge, spanning the Rhine River, Cpl. Johnson's truck was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. Observing several men fall seriously wounded when several shells landed near his vehicle, he voluntarily exposed himself to the heavy enemy concentration of fire to help carry the casualties to a place of safety. His courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of several of the wounded men and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class GEORGE R. AMSCHLER, 33276685, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 11 March 1945 in the vicinity of Erpel, Germany. While displacing forward across the Ludendorf Bridge over the Rhine River, Pfc. Amschler's truck was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. Although wounded himself when several shells landed near his vehicle, he refused all medical treatment but helped carry the other wounded men to a place of safety. His courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of several of the casualties and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOHN H. PHELPS, 31199199, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 11 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. While displacing forward across the Ludendorf Bridge over the Rhine River, Pfc. Phelps' truck was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. Although wounded himself when several shells landed near his vehicle, he refused all medical treatment but helped carry the other wounded men to a place of safety. His courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of several of the casualties and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Vermont.

Private T. M. TULLY, JR., 11020988, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 11 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. While displacing forward across the Ludendorf Bridge, spanning the Rhine River, Pvt. Tully's truck was subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire. Observing several men fall seriously wounded when several shells landed near his vehicle, he voluntarily exposed himself to the heavy enemy concentration of fire to help carry the casualties to a place of safety. His courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of several of the wounded men and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class JESSE O. TUCKER, 37515404, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 1 November 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. During an advance against strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Tucker's company was subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire. In the face of this murderous fire, Pfc. Tucker quickly set up his mortar and began to shell the enemy positions. Despite the exploding shells which oftentimes almost buried him with earth, he fired his weapon so accurately as to knock out several enemy machine guns and mortars within a very short time. Pfc. Tucker's bold and fearless actions contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Kansas.

Technical Sergeant LOREN C. WILSON, 37128309, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 9 September 1944 in the vicinity of Mariaweller-Hoven, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Sgt. Wilson's squad was subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to direct enemy observation and fire to direct the emplacing of an antitank gun in a strategic firing position. Under his aggressive leadership, the men of his squad delivered a heavy volume of accurate fire against the enemy troops and emplacements, preventing all enemy attempts to recapture the ground. Sgt. Wilson's devotion to duty, thorough knowledge of antitank tactics, and courageous actions enabled his squad to secure a sector of tactical importance, contributing materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Nebraska.

IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

First Lieutenant THOMAS M. LANG, 01294323, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant THURMAN W. LONGWELL, (then Corporal), 35410399, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade EARL P. MOSEL, (then Technician Fifth Grade), 16059157, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 20 July 1944 to 31 August 1944 in France. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal VINCENT M. HAGGERTY, (then Private First Class), 32791665, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class JOHN HANUSCIN, 33423006, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ROY F. SPENCER, 38373558, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Louisiana.

V-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Corporal ROBERT L. GREEN, 34606479, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Ordorf, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assaulting armored elements, Cpl. Green's platoon was subjected to intense enemy rocket fire. With complete disregard for his personal safety, he remained in his exposed position and delivered a heavy volume of cannon fire against the enemy rocketeers. Although under heavy enemy fire

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Cpl. Green continued to direct accurate cannon fire at the enemy, forcing the hostile units to remain at a distance. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions contributed materially to the successful operations of the 9th Infantry Division. A credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

**VII-AMENDMENT OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER IN CONNECTION WITH BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 28 September 1945, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following member of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished himself by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Lieutenant Colonel **LEWIS E. MAWES**, 0414382, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from South Carolina.

**VII-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS.** So much of Section I, General Orders 108, Headquarters, 9th Infantry Division, dated 28 June 1945 as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal for Merit to Corporal **PAUL MARION**, 32594903, Infantry, United States Army, is amended to read: "Corporal **PAUL MARION**, 32594903, Infantry, United States Army".

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I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

First sergeant PARKER C. WELCH, (then Technical Sergeant), 35830474, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 10 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Welch's platoon was subjected to an intense barrage from enemy mortars. Observing one of his men fall seriously wounded, Sgt. Welch fearlessly and with complete disregard for personal safety moved forward through the concentrated fire to the aid of the wounded man. Although completely exposed to the furious fusillade, he calmly placed the man across his shoulders and carried him to a point of safety while under the vicious fire directed at him. Rejoining his platoon, he immediately reorganized the scattered elements, skillfully maneuvered the men around to the enemy's flank, and then led a furious onslaught against the entrenched enemy. Completely surprised by the ferocity of the attack, the numerically superior hostile force fled in confusion, suffering severe losses in personnel and equipment. Sgt. Welch's inspiring leadership, tactical skill, and valiant actions enabled his company to secure a vital tactical area with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Kentucky.

II-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel DONALD C. CLAYMAN, 020866, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 July 1944 in the vicinity of Eglandes, France. Learning that several attacks on a strongly defended hostile pillbox had been unsuccessful, Lieutenant Colonel Clayman, Battalion Commander, personally reorganized a platoon that had suffered several casualties and led it in an assault against the enemy fortification. With complete disregard for personal safety, Lieutenant Colonel Clayman exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to direct the deployment and fire power of his men. Despite the devastating enemy fire, Lieutenant Colonel Clayman rushed the hostile emplacement, killing two of the enemy and wounding three others with his pistol. Lieutenant Colonel Clayman's courageous actions, aggressive leadership and devotion to duty enabled his unit to secure their objective, contributed materially to the success of the Battalion's operations, and were, at all times, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant JOHN J. MANGAM, 01996497, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 16 April 1945 in the vicinity of Kothen, Germany. While clearing a town of the remnants of a hostile force, Lt. Mangam's company encountered a heavily defended road block. Displaying complete disregard for his personal safety, he unhesitatingly led his men in an assault against the enemy positions. Hurling hand

grenades with deadly accuracy, Lt. Mangam silenced a machine gun and forced the surviving enemy to flee in confusion before his furious onslaught. His devotion to duty, aggressive leadership, and courageous actions were instrumental in neutralizing the road block and contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of Ar 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Staff Sergeant HAROLD C. GILBERT, (then Private), 42142638, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 in the vicinity of Notscheid, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Sgt. Gilbert's company was subjected to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. Seeing his squad leader fall seriously wounded, he voluntarily left his position of comparative safety to go to the aid of the casualty. Although under heavy enemy fire, Sgt. Gilbert administered emergency medical treatment and then placed the wounded man in a sheltered position. Rejoining his squad, he assumed command and led the men in an attack against the enemy. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in saving the life of his squad leader and contributed materially to the success of his company's operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS E. MULL, 16050810, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Nothberg, Germany. Learning that casualties were lying in a forward combat area Sgt. Mull voluntarily moved forward to go to the aid of the wounded men. Although under direct enemy observation and fire, he unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for personal safety aided in placing the casualties in a vehicle and then drove the vehicle to the nearest Aid Station. Repeatedly exposing himself to the enemy fire, he continued to evacuate the wounded until all the casualties in the area had been removed to safety. Sgt. Mull's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and fearless actions were instrumental in saving the lives of many of the wounded and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal TRUMAN R. DANIEL, 38433914, Infantry, United States Army who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Nothberg, Germany. Learning that casualties were lying in a forward combat area, Cpl. Daniel voluntarily moved forward to go to the aid of the wounded men. Although under direct enemy observation and fire, he unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for personal safety aided in placing the casualties in a vehicle and then drove the vehicle to the nearest Aid Station. Repeatedly exposing himself to the enemy fire, he continued to evacuate the wounded until all the casualties in the area had been removed to safety. Cpl. Daniel's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and fearless actions were instrumental in saving the lives of many of the wounded and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANCIS P. RYAN, 31297509, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettleschoss, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, the assault elements of the Infantry were subjected to intense enemy artillery, rocket, and small arms fire. Seeing several of the riflemen fall seriously wounded, Cpl. Ryan unhesitatingly rushed to their aid. Although under continuous enemy fire, he capably and swiftly administered effective emergency medical treatment and removed the casualties to a position readily accessible to the litter bearing squads. Cpl. Ryan's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of several of the wounded men. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class STANLEY CZERSKI, 32370386, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 1 April 1945 in the vicinity of Berleberg, Germany. In order to enable armored vehicles to move forward in close support of the assault elements of the Infantry, it was necessary to locate and remove mines which constituted a formidable road block. With complete disregard for personal safety, Pfc. Czernski and two other men unhesitatingly exposed themselves to the heavy enemy fire to uncover the mines. While doing so, one of the men was seriously wounded by the deadly rifle fire. Falling to the ground, the wounded man detonated one of the mines and caused several casualties among a nearby group of men. Although wounded and now under a concentrated enemy barrage, Pfc. Czernski remained in his exposed position and administered emergency medical treatment to the casualties until the arrival of the Battalion Aid Men. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of many of the wounded men. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class HAROLD W. NELSON, 31283687, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 8 April 1945 in the vicinity of Velmede, Germany. While advancing against stubbornly resisting enemy strong points with the assault elements of the Infantry, Pfc. Nelson observed several enemy emplacements on his squad's flank. Although wounded while indicating the enemy positions to the members of his squad, he unhesitatingly made his way around to the enemy's flank and rushed to machinegun position, firing as he ran. Only when all the enemy emplacements had been neutralized did he submit to evacuation for medical treatment. Pfc. Nelson's aggressive initiative, devotion to duty, and fearless actions enabled his company to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Maine.

Private SAMUEL F. PACHECO, 37706121, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Huchen, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Pvt. Pacheco's company was subjected to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. Realizing the urgent need for rapid advance, Sgt. Pacheco unhesitatingly moved forward to a point of vantage to provide supporting fire for his squad. Although wounded, he remained in his exposed position and continued to deliver a heavy volume of accurate fire against the enemy emplacements, enabling his squad to maneuver around to the rear of the enemy and successfully assault the intrenchments. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Colorado.

**IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following member of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished himself by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

First Lieutenant BOARDMAN F. LOCKWOOD, 0358305, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 15 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Connecticut.

**V-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES F. ALLGOOD, 0396529, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 in the vicinity of Netscheid, Germany. While attacking strongly defended enemy positions, the assault elements of the Infantry were subjected to intense enemy artillery fire which temporarily disorganized the units and halted their advance. Observing the existing critical situation, Lieutenant Colonel Allgood, with complete disregard for personal safety, made

his way under the deadly fusillade of rifle fire to his men. He quickly reorganized the scattered components, insured the prompt evacuation of the casualties and so inspired the men by his fearless exhibition that they vigorously renewed the assault. Lieutenant Colonel Allgood's devotion to duty, aggressive leadership, and courageous actions were instrumental in extricating his unit from a precarious situation, contributing materially to the success of his Battalion's operations. Entered military service from Oregon.

VI-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 23 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Pfc Jessie T. Lowery	38179665	Inf	6 Aug 44	Arkansas
Sgt George T. Hensel	31313099	Inf	17 June 44	Connecticut
T Sgt Jack Collins	33652065	Inf	6 Aug 44	Virginia

VII-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 23 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
T Sgt John M. King	34349082	Inf	24 July 44	Mississippi
T Sgt Jack Collins	33652065	Inf	9 Aug 44	Virginia

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1ST LT GEORGE F. SCHARFF	01182958	FA	20 Jan 45	New York
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Pfc Walter Griminger	36440432	Inf	18 Apr 45	Illinois
1ST LT THOMAS M. REUSCH	0411623	Inf	10 Feb 45	Texas

VIII-AWARD OF THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 23 September 1943, as amended, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

GERMANY

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
S Sgt Daniel V. Saulnier	31451906	Inf	8 Apr 45	Massachusetts

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I-AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to:

Staff Sergeant ANDY B. POPP, 32249713, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Einruhr, Germany. Quickly moving into an enemy occupied town with their tanks, Sgt. Popp and one other Tank Commander surprised the hostile force preparing defenses and captured several 75mm Antitank Guns with their crews. Although the aroused enemy subjected both armored vehicles to intense small arms fire and hurled hand grenades at them, the two Tank Commanders continued to assault the main pockets of enemy resistance until the supporting riflemen arrived. Sgt. Popp's devotion to duty, combative spirit, and courageous actions enabled the assault elements of the Infantry to secure the town with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New York.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Private First Class GEORGE S. VAXMONSKY, 42019026, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 12 April 1945 in the vicinity of Hartgarten, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Pfc. Vaxmonsky's Platoon was subjected to intense enemy fire, forcing the men to seek cover. Realizing the urgent need for rapid advance, he unhesitatingly crawled under the concentrated enemy fire to the flank of the entrenched enemy and delivered a heavy, accurate volume of BAR fire against the emplacements. He remained at his strategic position and continued to fire his weapon despite his exposed situation, neutralizing one machine gun and routing the gun crew. Pfc. Vaxmonsky's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in enabling his unit to take its objectives with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant PETER P. ANTHONY, 3738 187, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Einruhr, Germany. Quickly moving into an enemy occupied town with their tanks, Sgt. Anthony and one other Tank Commander surprised the hostile force preparing defenses and captured 75mm Antitank Guns with their crews. Although the aroused enemy subjected both armored vehicles to intense small arms fire and hurled hand grenades at the two armored vehicles, the two Tank Commanders continued to assault the main pockets of enemy resistance until the supporting riflemen arrived. Sgt. Anthony's devotion to duty, combative spirit, and courageous actions enabled the assault elements of the Infantry to secure the town with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Minnesota.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Captain JOHN K. MOORE, 01287218, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 26 September 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Captain LUKE J. OUSKA, 0529500, Corps of Chaplains, United States Army, during the period 20 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Lieutenant ROBERT P. DENGHAUSEN, 01293925, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH J. LAROCO, 0466844, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Warrant Officer (Junior Grade) DONALD L. HAWKINS, 72109384, USA, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD G. CORCORAN, 38887104, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Staff Sergeant HERMAN J. DAVIES, 32056179, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 11 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant GIRLIE J. RAGAN, 34406704, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Staff Sergeant REYNOLD J. VIENNEAU, 20119274, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 8 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD H. LEIN ROER, 36823401, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant JAMES A. FREELY, 36367659, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 15 January 1945 to 15 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade PETER N. BECKER, 34086254, Medical Department, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade VILBURN M. BISHOP, 34088483, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade ANTHONY J. JASKOLSKI, 36124656, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 25 December 1944 to 25 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH N. VANDERNOETH, 32014236, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 23 February 1945 to 15 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT F. MELENDREZ, 39288622, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class EMILIO DeLAURENTISS, 13052051, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class THEODORE R. DENNON, 37356635, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 March 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Nebraska.

Private First Class FREDERICK A. KRAFT, 37624731, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 November 1944 to 28 February 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class WILLIAM J. KREISCH, 32000273, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class MICHAEL M. RUDNICK, 32622437, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 6 July 1944 to 8 October 1944 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class THEODORE J. SAFRAN, 32749184, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 15 September 1944 to 15 December 1944 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class ROBERT J. VAN VLANDREN, 32760401, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 20 November 1944 to 1 February 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private WILLIAM J. SCUDELLA, 36714227, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 10 June 1944 to 1 April 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class ANTHONY R. CIPRIANO, 32793342, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 December 1944 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. ALEXANDER, 31298809, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade HENRY D. BARRON, JR., (then Corporal), 38286274, Medical Department, United States Army, during the period 17 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade RAYMOND M. SMITH, 38333604, Armored, United States Army, during the period 8 June 1944 to 31 December 1944 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Corporal PHILIP L. BUSQUE, 31123498, Armored, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Connecticut.

IV-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

NORTH AFRICA

			<u>DATE OF FOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
Cpl Charles K. Doble, Jr.	32268831	Inf	29 Mar 43	New Jersey

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF FOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
1ST LT WARREN W. BOWEN	01316523	Inf	26 June 44	Florida
Pfc Fred C. Detty	36619741	Inf	18 June 44	Illinois
S Sgt Joseph E. Reedy	33309502	Inf	17 July 44	Pennsylvania
Tco 4 Lawrence W. Chute	32618002	Inf	10 Aug 44	New York

GERMANY

			<u>DATE OF FOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
S Sgt Roy E. Boehmer	33024027	Inf	9 Oct 41	Pennsylvania
S Sgt William S. Jones	34124119	Inf	6 Apr 45	North Carolina
S Sgt James W. Overton	36893733	Inf	1 Apr 45	Michigan
Tec 3 Carl F. Leavens	12056378	MD	17 Feb 45	New York
Tec 5 Earl Duncan	34714118	MD	8 Oct 44	Tennessee
Pfc Lloyd D. Coates	37370427	Inf	1 Mar 45	Missouri
Pfc Harvey A. Dittmer	37600395	Inf	15 Feb 45	Minnesota
Pfc William A. Foster	33707293	Inf	1 Mar 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Maynard F. McFadden	35235453	MD	5 Jan 45	Ohio
Pfc Anthony Massa	32916799	Inf	2 Apr 45	New Jersey
Pfc Elmer C. Merklinger, Sr.	32948906	Inf	10 Oct 44	New York
Pfc J. T. Robinson	34737836	MD	8 Mar 45	Tennessee
Pfc Emet U. Walker	38568286	Inf	8 Dec 44	Oklahoma
Sgt William H. Lindenberg	36600321	Inf	13 Feb 45	Illinois
Tec 4 Emil Baumgartner	32056125	Inf	7 Apr 45	New Jersey
Cpl Truman R. Daniel	38433914	Inf	9 Mar 45	Texas
Tec 5 Donald J. Bradley	33571901	Inf	28 Feb 45	Pennsylvania
Pvt Donald R. Neuhart	37744677	Inf	13 Apr 45	Missouri

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			<u>DATE OF</u> <u>WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED</u> <u>MIL SV FR</u>
Sgt Austin W. Atkins	34984041	Inf	13 Mar 45	Tennessee
Pfc Richard L. Cochran	37832483	Inf	17 Apr 45	Missouri
Pfc William F. Leahy	31350414	Inf	13 Mar 45	Massachusetts
Pfc Charles W. Minshew	38478588	Inf	23 Mar 45	Texas
Pvt Joseph A. Bell, Jr.	36486923	Inf	18 Apr 45	Michigan
Cpl Wiley C. Millard	34922511	CAV	24 Dec 44	Tennessee
2ND LT DANIEL P. CAHILL	02045912	MAC	14 Mar 45	New York

V-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders 108, Hq, Ninth Infantry Division, dated 28 June 1945 as pertains to the Award of Bronze Star Medal, for Merit to Captain CRAIG W. LARIMER, 0475031, Medical Corps, United States Army, is amended to read: "Captain CRAIG W. LARIMER, 0475031, Medical Corps, United States Army."

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BATTLE HONORS

As authorized by Executive Order No. 9396 (Section 1, Bulletin 22, WD, 1943), superseding Executive Order No. 9075 (Section III, Bulletin 11, WD, 1942), and under the provisions of Section IV, Circular No. 333, War Department 1943 and as approved by the Commanding General, Third United States Army, 19 July 1945, the 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry is cited for extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in action during the period 2 April 1945 to 5 April 1945 in Germany. The citation reads as follows:

CITATION OF 2ND BATTALION, 47TH INFANTRY

The 2nd Battalion (Reinforced), 47th Infantry, is cited for conspicuous battle action and outstanding performance of duty during the period 2 to 5 April 1945. The town of Oberkirchen, Germany, one of the key points in the enemy escape route, and so situated that it controlled the road-net so vital to the enemy communications and supply, was assigned as an objective to the 2nd Battalion (Reinforced) and at 0800 hours, 2 April 1945, the battalion jumped off to seize this objective. Advancing over seven (7) miles of difficult, hilly and exposed terrain, and under intense small arms and mortar fire along the entire route, the battalion, Company "G" leading, passed through Welminghausen and ran into heavily fortified positions, and, after an extremely bitter and aggressive hand to hand fight, cleared the woods with the following results: Thirty (30) enemy dead, eight (8) enemy wounded, and fifty-two (52) captured. The battalion continued onward with supporting machine gun and tank fire from the 2nd Platoon, 746th Tank Battalion, though still under intense enemy small arms, and now artillery fire, and entered Vewald, where Company "G", under direct fire from three (3) Mark IV Tanks and artillery, drove the enemy from the town, and caused the tanks to withdraw, after a hand to hand, house to house struggle, which caused the enemy the following casualties: Ten (10) enemy dead and forty (40) captured. The advance which now came under heavy artillery and self-propelled gun fire, continued to the objective, where, after an intense artillery barrage, Companies "E" and "F" advanced over exposed terrain, which was under deadly small arms, mortar, artillery, self-propelled, and point blank fire, from five (5) enemy tanks, entered the town at 1500 hours, and by 1800 hours had completely cleared the town of enemy after a bloody hand to hand encounter. An enemy counterattack composed of two hundred (200) infantrymen and six (6) tanks was launched at 1900 hours, which overran part of Company "E" and penetrated two-thirds (2/3) through town, isolating two (2) platoons of Company "E". At this point the battalion called for, and received, all available artillery fire from the 84th Field Artillery Battalion and Cannon Company 47th Infantry, on its own positions, which inflicted many casualties upon the enemy. Company "F" then launched a vigorous attack which succeeded in making contact with Company "E". The lines became very fluid, with enemy remaining in scattered groups in the town. Preparations were made for expected counterattacks, including the laying of mines by the 1st Platoon, Company "E", 15th Engineer Battalion. At 0630 hours the following morning, the enemy launched another attack consisting of two hundred (200) infantrymen and five (5) tanks, in a last desperate effort to drive the battalion from the town. Three platoons were overrun in this attack and enemy tanks penetrated to the center of town. Bazooka teams destroyed three (3) of the enemy tanks from a range of twenty (20) yards and Tank Destroyer fire from the 2nd Platoon, 899th Tank Destroyer Battalion, accounted for one (1) more. Fierce and vicious hand to hand fighting and the extreme aggressiveness of the men of the battalion caused the enemy to withdraw in wild disorder, leaving

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seventy-eight (78) captured and many wounded, and the town safely in hand. During the period 2 to 5 April 1945, the 2nd Battalion (Reinforced), 47th Infantry, assaulted and captured three (3) towns, took two hundred and seventy (270) prisoners and hundreds of small arms and automatic weapons, destroyed four (4) enemy tanks, completely annihilated one battalion of infantry and elements of two other battalions. During this period, the battalion operated without flank protection on either flank, suffered numerous casualties which were evacuated by Company "B", 9th Medical Battalion, and crossed more than thirteen (13) miles of heavily defended and difficult terrain, engaged and annihilated a fanatical stubborn enemy by a magnificent display of gallantry, courage and devotion to duty.

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1. Under the provisions of paragraph 5a (2)b, Army Regulations 605-145, dated 6 May 1943, as amended, ~~LIEUTENANT COLONEL~~ COLONEL REGINALD L. RILEY, 0330209, General Staff Corps (Infantry), is relieved from detail in the General Staff Corps.
2. MAJOR WENDELL C. COMPTON, 0340285, Ordnance, 709 Ordnance Company, is announced as Division Ordnance Officer, Ninth Infantry Division, vice MAJOR WILLIAM H. WAIKART, 0399288, Quartermaster Corps, reassigned.
3. MAJOR GEORGE G. SPIESS, 0243495, Signal Corps, 9 Signal Company, is announced as Division Signal Officer, Ninth Infantry Division, vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL FRANK E. HEIKKILA, 0261211, Signal Corps, reassigned.
4. MAJOR CHARLES D. MONSSON, 0242569, Field Artillery, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, is announced as Division Special Service Officer, Ninth Infantry Division, vice CAPTAIN CHARLES W. FISHER, 01290921, Infantry, reassigned.

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**I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

First Lieutenant LOUIS O. DeVALL, 01297006, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Eschweiler, Germany. After successfully assaulting his initial objectives, Lt. DeVall immediately deployed his men and mortars in strategic positions and then boldly exposed himself to fierce enemy fire to secure a mortar abandoned in the fireswept areas in order to increase the fire power of his unit. Successfully crossing the open terrain through a vicious fusillade, he emplaced his mortar and delivered a heavy volume of mortar fire at enemy targets and, at the same time, controlled and adjusted the fire of his men. Lt. DeVall's courageous actions while in extreme peril, inspiring leadership, and exemplary daring secured a vital tactical sector against a numerically superior enemy force. Entered military service from South Carolina.

First Lieutenant CHESTER H. JORDAN, 0533450, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Eschweiler, Germany. Leading his Platoon in an assault against strongly defended enemy positions across open terrain and through intense enemy fire, Lt. Jordan's men gained the comparative safety of nearby woods. While reorganizing them for the final attack, he saw his Company Commander fall seriously wounded and unhesitatingly assuming command of the company, continued to lead the advance. Although subjected to the full fury of the concentrated enemy fire, Lt. Jordan's men routed the enemy and under his inspiring leadership secured their objective. Lt. Jordan's courageous leadership, devotion to duty, and fearless actions resulted in the securing of a vital sector essential for continued operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant WILSON E. LANGLEY, 01304082, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bruchhausen, Germany. While defending a section of the Rhine bridgehead, Lt. Langley's company was subjected to a violent counterattack by a powerful enemy force. Skillfully maneuvering his platoon in an effort to isolate the hostile force penetrating the defenses, Lt. Langley's men encountered deadly machine gun fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the concentrated fusillade and delivered a heavy volume of automatic fire against the attacking enemy with devastating accuracy, routing the assailants and neutralizing the machine gun emplacement. Lt. Langley's courageous leadership, exemplary daring, and valiant actions during this engagement were instrumental in preserving the bridgehead and contributed materially to the success of his battalion's operations. Entered military service from Missouri.

First Lieutenant JESS A. NUNN, 01288784, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of St. Jean De Day. During a powerful enemy counterattack, the vital lines of communication between Lt. Nunn's company and adjacent defending elements were severed.



Quickly realizing the seriousness of the situation, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the intense enemy fire to contact the platoon which was in a position to render assistance to the resisting elements. Although subjected to the concentrated and endangered by the infiltrating hostile forces, Lt. Nunn moved forward, delivered the plans of operation and thereafter the units to launch a furious coordinated attack which routed the enemy. Lt. Nunn's devotion to duty and courageous actions were instrumental in repulsing the enemy thrust and securing commanding terrain. Entered military service from Oregon.

First Lieutenant ERNEST W. SMITH, 0118838, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945 in the vicinity of Wolseifen, Germany. Ordering his men to remain behind, Lt. Smith fearlessly and with complete disregard for his personal safety assaulted an enemy pillbox through the devastating enemy fire. Although completely exposed to the vicious enemy fire, he unhesitatingly made his way over open terrain and placed hand grenades in the apertures of the pillbox, knocked out the fortification, captured three machine guns and eliminated all opposition. Lt. Smith's courageous actions and inspiring achievement enabled his unit to make a rapid advance to the Roer River and to secure control of vital dams along the river. Entered military service from Colorado.

Second Lieutenant ARTHUR J. INGRAM, 01125394, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of Eschweiler, Germany. After contacting the hostile force, Lt. Ingram fearlessly led his platoon in an assault against the stubbornly resisting enemy, forcing their withdrawal by the fury of his onslaught. Observing several supertank armored vehicles unknowingly enter the field of fire of an enemy antitank gun, he unhesitatingly rushed forward through a hail of deadly enemy fire to a point of vantage from where he delivered a heavy volume of accurate fire against the gun crew. The ferocity of his single handed attack stunned the enemy, resulting in the routing of the crew. Lt. Ingram then remained in his exposed position to secure it until joined by his men. Lt. Ingram's courageous leadership and valiant actions saved the tanks from certain destruction and were at all times a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class NICHOLAS J. LANZA, 42016513, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 21 November 1944 in the vicinity of Mothberg, Germany. While transporting vital supplies to forward combat elements, Pfc. Lanza observed a Tank Destroyer subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire burst into flame. Unhesitatingly, he made his way to the furiously blazing vehicle to help a seriously wounded tank crew member. Despite the devastating enemy fire and the intense heat created by the blazing gasoline, Pfc. Lanza extinguished the man's burning garments, carried him to a place of safety and capably administered emergency medical treatment. His devotion to duty, display of courage under fire, and valiant actions undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man and reflected credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain ROBERT W. YOUNG, 0334305, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 11 July 1944 in the vicinity of St. Jean De Daye, France. While in a defensive position, the assault elements of the Infantry were subjected to a fierce counter-attack by an enemy Panzer Division in an effort to split the units holding the Normandy beachhead. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Capt. Young organized a task force, skillfully deployed part of it to prevent further enemy incursions and with the remainder, launched an assault against the enemy tanks and Infantry. By fearlessly exposing himself to the intense enemy fire, he so inspired his men that their furious onslaught combined with their destructive fire against the enemy, forced the superior hostile force to withdraw. Capt. Young's courageous leadership, exemplary and bold actions under fire resulted in inflicting severe losses among enemy personnel and equipment, contributing materially to repulsing the enemy thrust. Entered military service from California.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

First Sergeant CHARLES E. PEPPER, 14028759, Infantry, US Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 22 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Sgt. Pepper's Battalion was subjected to intense enemy fire. Seeing that the concentrated enemy fire was imperiling the success of the operation, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the fire to organize the units of his company and to assist in evacuating casualties to places of safety. Sgt. Pepper's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in enabling the wounded to receive prompt emergency medical treatment and inspired the men to resume their attack, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant ARLIS E. GRILLS, 38510349, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettleschoss, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Sgt. Grills' company was subjected to intense enemy rocket, artillery, and small arms fire. Seeing several of the men fall seriously wounded, he unhesitatingly made his way through the concentrated enemy fire to help them. Despite the hazards created by the continuous enemy shelling, Sgt. Grills successfully evacuated four casualties to places of safety. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were, at all times, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Private First Class SOMERS E. CARTER, 33888947, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of Grounberg, Germany. While moving ahead of the leading elements of his platoon to reconnoiter the surrounding area, Pfc. Carter was subjected to intense enemy rifle fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly continued to move forward, delivering a heavy volume of deadly fire at the entrenched enemy as he ran. Routing the enemy by the ferocity of his onslaught, Pfc. Carter enabled his platoon to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties. Pfc. Carter's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous action contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations during its engagement with the enemy. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class ROBERT J. DeSANDY, 36889012, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 16 August 1944 in the vicinity of Bellanay, France. While advancing against strongly defended positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Pfc. DeSandy's company was subjected to intense enemy mortar and small arms fire. Observing several of his comrades fall seriously wounded, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the vicious fire to go to their aid. With complete disregard for personal safety, Pfc. DeSandy remained in his exposed position, capably administering effective emergency medical treatment and then removed the wounded men to places of safety. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were directly responsible for saving the lives of the wounded. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class ELLIOT M. OLIVER, 35708359, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 14 March 1945 in the vicinity of Kalon, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Oliver's company was subjected to intense artillery and mortar fire. Realizing that supporting fire was necessary in order to complete the advance, he moved forward with his Platoon Leader to assist in directing artillery fire. His Platoon Leader was fatally wounded and though seriously wounded himself, Pfc. Oliver remained at his post, exposed

to the concentrated enemy fire, correcting and adjusting the fire until the enemy withdrew. Pfc. Oliver's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions enabled his Company to reach their advanced, contributing materially to the success of the operation. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class RONALD E. OLDS, 31404298, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement against the enemy on 3 April 1945 in the vicinity of Obkirch, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, assault elements of the Infantry, Pfc. Olds' company was subjected to intense enemy fire. Learning that both scouts of his squad were seriously wounded, he voluntarily assumed the duties of scout and moved forward in the face of withering machine gun fire to a commanding position, leading the remaining members of his squad. Pfc. Olds' devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, leadership, and courageous actions enabled artillery observers to utilize the position gained in directing supporting fire against enemy armored targets, forcing the enemy to withdraw, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class VIRGIL B. LYNCH, 38279911, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettelschöss, Germany. While transporting vitally needed supplies to his unit, located in a forward combat area, Pfc. Lynch was subjected to heavy enemy fire. Realizing the importance of delivering the supplies, he unhesitatingly drove his vehicle over the shell-torn road, constantly exposed to direct enemy observation and fire. Pfc. Lynch's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions enabled the armored vehicles of his unit to continue their advance, thereby contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Texas.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Staff Sergeant VICTOR J. CHUCK, 35281946, Inf, United States Army, during the period 15 June 1944 to 1 April 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant FRANK LAUTAUER, 20221179, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 31 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Delaware.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. HAZZ, (then Sergeant), 32161316, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 15 October 1944 to 15 December 1944 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant CHARLES G. BERGGA, 33370232, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant ROBERT L. NEDELL, 32117204, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 15 June 1944 to 1 April 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant FRANK E. TOMARE, (then Private First Class), 31043899, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 25 July 1944 to 1 November 1944 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class AMELIA A. ANDERSON, 37372317, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 September 1944 to 1 December 1944 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private First Class GEORGE J. SCHAEFF, 36043765, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class FRANK E. SMITH, 36982325, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class LLOYD W. WILLIAMS, 45429883, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class LESTER E. WOODARD, 38665308, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 30 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Second Lieutenant HENRY A. SAMUEL, (then Master Sergeant) 02011868, Military Intelligence, United States Army, during the period 13 September 1944 to 27 March 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant CLARENCE J. BARNETT, 02047560, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Missouri.

IV-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

First Lieutenant JOHN T. BONNETT, 01325368, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 20 September 1944 in the vicinity of Krunkle, Germany. While in a defensive position, Lt. Bonnett's battalion was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack, supported by armored vehicles and artillery. Realizing the need for accurate counterfire, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the full fury of the concentrated enemy fire to establish a Forward Observation Post. Although under direct enemy mortar, artillery, and small arms fire, Lt. Bonnett remained at his hazardous post, adjusting the fire of the supporting tanks and enabling a heavy volume of effective fire to be brought on enemy targets. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in preventing the enemy from penetrating the defenses, contributing materially to the success of his Battalion's operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant CLAYTON R. TAYLOR, 13185515, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettlachers, Germany. While transporting vitally needed supplies to his unit, located in a forward combat area, Sgt. Taylor was subjected to heavy enemy fire. Realizing the importance of delivering the supplies, he unhesitatingly drove his vehicle over the shell-torn road, constantly exposed to direct enemy observation and fire. Sgt. Taylor's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions enabled the armored vehicles of his unit to continue their advance, thereby contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Connecticut.

V-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR AWIT. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

First Lieutenant WILSON E. LANGLAY, 01404082, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Major FRANKLIN G. ALLEN, 01578102, General Staff Corps, United States Army, during the period 14 February 1945 to 4 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

VI-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

	<u>NORTH AFRICA</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV CR</u>
Pfc James E. Hill	15382296 Inf	6 July 43	Ohio

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			<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV BR</u>
Pfc Andrew D. Jamerson	33651039	Inf	26 Nov 44	Virginia
Pvt Curtis L. Sayer	34730645	Inf	5 Nov 44	Tennessee
S Sgt Edward F. Sisko	32573598	Inf	3 Apr 45	Pennsylvania
Tac 5 Richard A. Lawson	22670766	Inf	17 Sep 44	Iowa
Pfc John A. Bojorquez	49048180	Inf	28 Sep 44	California

VIII-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV BR</u>
Sgt Arthur Flanchette	31349611	Armd	8 Aug 44	Massachusetts

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Tac 5 Bruce A Harrington	37579168	MD	2 Mar 45	Minnesota
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IX-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 108, Hq, Ninth Infantry Division, dated 28 Jun 1945, as pertains to the Award of the Bronze Star Medal for Merit to Captain RICHARD S. TOUGHERTY, 01332430, Infantry, United States Army, is amended to read: "Award of Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star Medal for Merit".

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I-AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, dated 23 August 1944, as amended, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following units for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks:

Medical Detachment, 9th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945.

709th Ordnance Company, United States Army, during the period 18 June 1944 to 18 August 1944.

II-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to;

Second Lieutenant DAVID E. GILLESPIE, 01326836, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Ohlenberg, Germany. While moving through the town of Ohlenberg with assault elements of the Infantry, Lt. Gillespie's Company was subjected to the concentrated fire of enemy artillery and mortars. Realizing that an enemy counterattack was imminent, he unhesitatingly made his way across exposed terrain through a deadly hail of fire to secure two abandoned machine guns to increase the fire power of his unit. Quickly emplacing the guns, Lt. Gillespie's section was able to deliver a fierce and heavy volume of effective fire when the enemy assault materialized, resulting in severe losses among enemy personnel and the repulsing of their furious onslaught. Lt. Gillespie's courageous leadership, inspiring combative spirit, and fearless actions secured a vital strategic sector against a numerically superior force. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Captain JOHN W. MACINDOE, 025407, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Friedrukbrunn, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Capt. MacIndoe's Company was subjected to deadly enemy machine gun, rifle, and rocket fire. Realizing the need for rapid advance, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the full fury of the concentrated fire to guide a supporting tank to a position of advantage and then personally manned the tank's machine gun to deliver a heavy volume of devastating fire against the enemy emplacements. Although twice knocked from his exposed position on the tank by rocket fire, he continued to fire until the ammunition was exhausted. He then left the tank and led his men through withering fire in a frontal assault, overrunning the enemy defenses, killing many and capturing seventy nine enemy personnel. Capt. MacIndoe's courageous leadership and valiant actions enabled his Company to take its objectives with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Captain JOHN H. WHITMORE, 0313223, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 September 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. While in a defensive position, Capt. Whitmore's Battalion was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack, supported by artillery, mortars, and armored vehicles. Quickly taking a position in a nearby pillbox with his driver, they both delivered a heavy volume of intense fire against the assaulting enemy troops. After delaying the advance as long as possible, Capt. Whitmore then left his position to inform adjacent supporting units of the attack. Although seriously wounded, he refused to be evacuated. Reorganizing a scattered platoon, he led the men in a furious onslaught against the numerically superior force, routing the enemy troops and forcing their armor to withdraw. Despite the incessant mortar fire, Capt. Whitmore assisted in evacuating the casualties from the shell raked area until all had been removed. His courageous leadership and valiant actions, saved the lives of many of the wounded, crushed the enemy thrust and secured his Battalion's positions. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Lieutenant AUBREY J. PHILLIPS, 0130270S, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Mariaweller Hoven, Germany. Learning of unusual enemy activity on the east bank of the Roor River, Lt. Phillips made his way to a nearby building to establish an Observation Post. Although subjected to deadly enemy fire and in full view of the hostile force, he unhesitatingly negotiated the interdicted area to reach the building. Quickly securing contact with the Fire Direction Center, Lt. Phillips adjusted and directed supporting artillery fire on the enemy positions. The building suffered a score of direct hits from heavy enemy counter fire but he remained at his post until the severe casualties inflicted among enemy personnel forced them to withdraw in confusion. Lt. Phillips' devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and valiant actions were, at all times, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to;

Sergeant GERALD M. LINDNER, 36361313, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 19 Dec 1944 in the vicinity of Obergeich, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, Sgt. Lindner's Platoon was subjected to intense enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Seeing the Platoon Leader fall seriously wounded, he unhesitatingly assumed command and led the men forward under the concentrated enemy fire and at the same time, carried out his mission as Radio Operator. Through his aggressive leadership and courageous actions, the attacking units again launched a vicious attack against the stubbornly resisting enemy troops and succeeded in securing their objective. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade FRED E. RINALDI, 39A 10006, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 13 March 1945 in the vicinity of St. Katherine, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions with assault elements of the Infantry, the enemy launched a vicious counterattack, subjecting Cpl. Rinaldi's Company to intense artillery, mortar, and small arms fire. Seeing his Platoon Leader fall fatally wounded, he immediately assumed command, reorganized and effectively deployed the men, preventing further enemy penetration. With complete disregard for personal safety, Cpl. Rinaldi again exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to assist in removing the wounded from the fire swept area. His devotion to duty, aggressive leadership, and courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of many of the wounded and contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from California.

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Private First Class DONALD J. FISCHER, 37541740, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of St. Katherine, Germany. While in a defensive position, Pfc. Fischer's Antitank Squad was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. Seeing the building sheltering a half-track vehicle burst into flames from a direct hit, he unhesitatingly left his position of comparative security to save the vehicle. Although under constant enemy fire, Pfc. Fischer, displaying complete disregard for personal safety, entered the furiously burning building and drove the vehicle through the concentrated enemy shelling to a position that afforded protection. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were instrumental in saving a vitally needed vehicle, contributing materially to the success of his Platoon's operations. Entered military service from Minnesota.

Private First Class RALPH D. HASLAM, 39917639, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 14 October 1944 in the vicinity of Germeter, Germany. While in a defensive position, Pfc. Haslam's Battalion was subjected to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire. Learning that vital lines of communication had been severed, he voluntarily exposed himself to the heavy enemy fire to locate and repair the breaks. Although wounded and under direct enemy observation, Pfc. Haslam continued to work until communication was restored. While returning to his unit through the heavy enemy shelling, he came upon a number of casualties and assisted in evacuating them to places of safety. Pfc. Haslam's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were, at all times, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Utah.

IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR FOR MERIT. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Captain REECE H. WENGENROTH, 0448674, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, during the period 1 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant BLAIR M. WARDROPE, 01102527, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant JOHN A. BFNW, 31018995, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, during the period 10 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant WALTER MUTCHLER, 33010309, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 31 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class KENNETH E. SPENCER, 35648242, Medical Department, United States Army, during the period 24 February 1945 to 30 March 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

V-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

ITALY

DATE OF ENTERED  
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Pfc Charles J. Sophy 13129743 Inf 29 Jan 44 Pennsylvania



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			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>	
Pfc Clinton B. Caskey	34590943	Inf	25 Jul 44		North Carolina
Pfc Christopher Evangelista	31172899	Inf	25 Jul 44		Rhode Island
Pfc Bernard A. Lattyak	36652181	Inf	9 Aug 44		Illinois
T Sgt Michael Ros	16002552	Inf	12 Jul 44		Illinois
Tec 5 Frank Hodick	33111891	CE	4 Aug 44		Pennsylvania

BELGIUM

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>	
S Sgt Lloyd Dyer	34920272	Inf	5 Sep 44		Tennessee

GERMANY

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>	
1 Sgt J. C. Shirley	C971285	Inf	29 Feb 45		Alabama
Sgt James H. Byrd	34975320	Inf	1 Apr 45		Georgia
Tec 5 Thomas H. Kolucki	32206754	MD	3 Apr 45		New York
Pfc James A. Askew	18194640	MD	9 Apr 45		Oklahoma
Pfc Joseph R. Christiansen	37128965	Inf	5 May 45		Iowa
Pfc Henry G. Hanson	36640252	Inf	5 Apr 45		Illinois
Pfc Jesus G. Martinez	30526918	Inf	5 Feb 45		Texas
Pvt Jack Siopal	42182420	Inf	1 Apr 45		New York
Pvt Robert M. Wright	36960576	Inf	11 Dec 44		Illinois

VI-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

ITALY

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>	
Tec 3 Harold H Meyers	33909505	MD	31 May 44		New York

FRANCE

T Sgt Michael Ros	16002552	Inf	13 Jul 44		Illinois
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S Sgt William J Wolf	33367116	Inf	29 Sep 44		Pennsylvania
Pfc Elmer P Fatz	36309214	Inf	12 Mar 45		Illinois
Pfc John M Sulaski	16069092	MD	15 Dec 44		Rhode Island
Pfc Ernest K Ryan	34850859	Inf	1 Feb 45		North Carolina
Pvt Patsy P Malagisi	42120984	Inf	20 Feb 45		New York
T Sgt Daniel E Shea	36955704	Inf	7 May 45		Illinois
S Sgt George D Sillars	36288043	Inf	4 Apr 45		Wisconsin
Pfc Malcolm E Farris	35734231	Inf	3 Mar 45		Ohio
Pfc Gerald B Sawyer	36833221	Inf	3 Mar 45		Wisconsin
Tec 5 Anthony DiPietro Jr	31016981	CE	9 Mar 45		Massachusetts

VII-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>
T Sgt Michael Roe	16002552	Inf	14 Jul 44	Illinois

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Pfc Claud Ledford	38512688	Inf	4 Apr 45	Arkansas
Pfc Walter D Lewis	38607729	Inf	4 Mar 45	Texas

VIII-AWARD OF THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>
S Sgt Edward Carney	33191293	Inf	5 Aug 44	Washington, DC.
T Sgt Michael Roe	16002552	Inf	15 Jul 44	Illinois

IX-AWARD OF FOURTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>
T Sgt Michael Roe	16002552	Inf	17 Jul 44	Illinois

X-AWARD OF FIFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Fifth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>
			<u>WOUND</u>	<u>MIL SV FR</u>
T Sgt Michael Roe	16002552	Inf	24 Jul 44	Illinois

XI-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS. So much of Section II, General Orders 21, Hq, Ninth Infantry Division, dated 2 February 1945, as pertains to the Award, Posthumous, of Bronze Star Medal for Merit to Staff Sergeant Fred E. Coos, 34161703, Infantry, United States Army, as reads, "during the period 5 July 1944 to 25 July 1944" is amended to read: "during the period 5 July 1944 to 25 July 1944".

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I-AWARD, POSTUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded, posthumously, to:

Staff Sergeant ALLEN C. OWEN, 6936425, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Barrenhede, Germany. While moving against strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Owen's platoon was subjected to intense enemy fire and forced to withdraw. Despite the heavy fire Sgt. Owen remained behind to direct covering fire, thus enabling his unit to withdraw to more advantageous positions. While moving from man to man, reassuring the members of the rearguard, Sgt. Owen was fatally wounded. His inspiring leadership and courageous action reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Mississippi.

II-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

Captain ANDREW KERR JR., 0543022, Medical Corps, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Aschersleben, Germany. When a motorized patrol encountered severe small arms fire and suffered numerous casualties, Capt. Kerr answered the call for litter bearers by leading a group of aid men forward. Disregarding personal safety, he moved about the fire swept area, administering aid to the wounded, moving them to sheltered positions and supervising their evacuation. His courageous actions in defiance of danger, his aggressiveness and his devotion to duty were instrumental in saving many lives and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant CHARLES V. BAILEY, 01298339, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. While crossing the Ludendorff Bridge, the convoy of which Lt. Bailey was a member came under intense hostile artillery and mortar fire. Several hits were scored on the bridge, exploding a gasoline truck and seriously injuring two foot soldiers who were also crossing the bridge. Disregarding the dangers of continuing shell fire and the burning vehicle, Lt. Bailey and another man rushed to the aid of the wounded men, carrying them to positions of comparative safety and administering aid until they could be evacuated. Lt. Bailey's fearless courage and devotion to duty are in the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant RICHARD A. BERGER, 01317335, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 February 1945 in the vicinity of Haxmann, Germany. When leading Infantry elements were halted on the outskirts of Haxmann by withering enemy fire, Lt. Berger, a mortar observer, moved to an exposed position from which he could direct fire on the enemy emplacement. Moving into the town, he set up an observation post in a building under observed enemy artillery. He maintained

tank fire, and, though his post was set afire by the enemy shells, he continued to direct accurate mortar fire on the enemy, forcing them to withdraw. Lt. Berger's courage, determination and aggressive initiative reflect high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant LEONARD K. KANE, 01264894, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Hahn, Germany. While acting as guide for assault elements of the Infantry who were attacking strongly defended enemy positions, Lt. Kane encountered intense enemy fire. He fearlessly charged the enemy position despite the vicious fire and forced the surrender of the hostile force by the ferocity of his onslaught. Rejoining his unit, Lt. Kane led his men in a frontal charge and routed or captured the other defenders. Lt. Kane's courage and leadership and valiant actions were instrumental in securing his objectives with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Michigan.

First Sergeant JOHN O. BUCHANAN, 31020085, Infantry, United States Army who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Hahn, Germany. When members of his company were in dire need of ammunition and supplies to maintain their positions, Sgt. Buchanan made several trips to deliver the supplies over a heavily mined route subject to intense artillery fire. His vehicle was rendered useless by enemy shelling, but he continued to hand carry ammunition and to repair recurrent breaks in the communication line on his trips. At one time, Sgt. Buchanan encountered a six-man enemy patrol and, in a bold action, surprised and took it prisoner. His courageous actions, determined efforts and steadfast devotion to duty reflect much credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Vermont.

Staff Sergeant JAMES F. DEATLEY, 15055456, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 10 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. While crossing the Ludendorff Bridge, the convoy of which Sgt. Deatley was a member came under intense hostile artillery and mortar fire. Several hits were scored on the bridge, exploding a gasoline truck and seriously injuring two foot soldiers who were also crossing. Disregarding the dangers of continuing shell fire and the burning vehicle, Sgt. Deatley and another man dashed to the aid of the wounded men, carrying them to a place of comparative safety and administering aid until they could be evacuated. Sgt. Deatley's fearless courage and devotion to others reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH W. HUDZICKI, 33072491, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of Windhagen, Germany. While acting as Mortar Observer, Sgt. Hudzicki was cut off from his party by a surprise enemy thrust. With complete disregard for personal safety, he moved through heavy enemy fire to a commanding position from which he could direct mortar fire by radio on enemy installations. He remained at his post until enemy fire neutralized the radio, then secured a machine gun and held the attacking enemy troops until joined by friendly riflemen. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant FELIX J. BEDNAR, (then Private First Class), 6674848, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 25 January 1945 in the vicinity of Altherberg, Germany. Sgt. Bednar's platoon was assigned the mission of cutting wire entanglements around a strong enemy outpost and a patrol had worked its way to within a few yards of the wire when the enemy opened fire with mortars and machine guns, causing the men to displace and regroup. Sgt. Bednar found a member of the patrol lying injured in an exposed position and, though under enemy observation, made his way to the casualty and brought him across 300 yards of open terrain to a sheltered spot where he could render medical aid. His courageous actions and devotion to the welfare of others reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Delaware.

Sergeant RAYMOND L. DAVIS, 35219231, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 April 1945 in the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany. Sgt. Davis was leading his men in attacking an enemy held town when intense enemy fire temporarily halted them. Leaving his men in position, Sgt. Davis worked his way forward and, discovering an enemy artillery piece, opened fire and forced its crew to surrender. Continuing on, he attacked an enemy force which was moving to his rear, and despite heavy enemy fire, succeeded in killing the driver of the vehicle and directing the fire of his men so effectively that the attacking force was forced to withdraw. At the height of the action he found two of his comrades lying wounded in the street, and, in a bold charge, assaulted the trio of enemy soldiers which had injured them, took the group prisoner, and moved the wounded to cover where medical aid could be administered. Sgt. Davis' gallant actions, courage and aggressiveness are in the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class BERNARD E. ALBRECHT, 36889231, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 4 September 1944 in the vicinity of Dinant, Belgium. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Albrecht's unit was subjected to intense enemy mortar, machine gun, and small arms fire which inflicted several casualties. Pfc. Albrecht unhesitatingly dashed across the fire swept terrain to the wounded men, and, after administering emergency medical treatment, secured a vehicle and evacuated them to an Aid Station. Pfc. Albrecht's devotion to duty and courageous actions reflect high credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class EUGENE FLEENOR, 34490672, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 5 February 1945 in the vicinity of Herhahn, Germany. Riding a tank supporting a battalion attack, Pfc. Fleenor was charged with the operation of a mine detector. Though his road had been reported cleared, the lead tank struck a box mine and Pfc. Fleenor's vehicle was struck by an antitank shell, throwing him to the ground and rendering the detector useless. Badly bruised and suffering from concussion, Pfc. Fleenor nevertheless proceeded up the road ahead of the tanks, removing mines and enabling the vehicles to continue their advance. His courageous and determined action made possible the support of infantry elements and the successful completion of the mission, and reflect the high traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Private First Class MERLIN S. JENKINS, 37635574, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Aschersleben, Germany. When the advance of his company was halted by intense enemy fire, Pfc. Jenkins led a group of ten men forward in an attempt to find and neutralize the enemy activity. Discovering a group of enemy firing upon friendly troops, he worked his way to the rear of the enemy emplacement, where, opening fire with his rifle, he killed all four of the group. His courage, leadership and aggressive initiative were major factors in enabling his company to continue its advance, and reflect high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Missouri.

Private EUGENE W. BIGGS, 18108118, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 14 March 1945 in the vicinity of Rheinbreitbach, Germany. Sudden, fierce resistance from enemy infantry supported by tanks halted Pvt. Biggs' company and caused it to set up defensive lines as the enemy launched a determined counterattack. Pvt. Biggs volunteered to remain in a forward position to cover the reorganization of his company and, with sustained and accurate automatic rifle fire, successfully held off two enemy assaults of platoon strength. His courageous action and steadfast devotion to duty enabled his comrades to form an effective defensive line and repulse the enemy thrust, and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

Captain JOHN P. FOLEY, 01290924, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 June 1944 in the vicinity of St. Jacques de Nehou, France. When a strong and determined enemy force launched an attack aimed at breaking out of its threatened encirclement, hostile units overran friendly mortar and machine gun positions and placed the regimental headquarters in danger of capture. Capt. Foley, perceiving the seriousness of the situation, collected a number of reinforcements and led them aggressively against the enemy force. With utter disregard for personal safety, he fought vigorously in hand to hand action and succeeded in recapturing the mortars and machine guns which played a decisive part in finally repelling the enemy thrust. Capt. Foley's high courage, determination, aggressiveness and initiative are in the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class FELIPE C. ALVAREZ, 39720117, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 October 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Alvarez's squad was subjected to intense enemy fire and forced to withdraw. Pfc. Alvarez boldly exposed himself to provide covering fire for his men and despite the devastating fusillades directed at him, remained at his post, enabling his men to effect an orderly withdrawal to more strategic positions. His courageous leadership and valiant actions reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

III-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star is awarded to:

First Lieutenant DAVID F. DAVIS, 01299644, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. As mortar observer for an attacking rifle company which was caught in intense crossfire from enemy machine guns, Lt. Davis worked himself forward under the heavy fire to a position from which he directed accurate fire which neutralized the enemy guns. Later, in a resumption of the attack, lead elements were met with a heavy artillery barrage, which knocked Lt. Davis unconscious and paralyzed his legs. When he recovered consciousness he insisted on being taken to a spot from which he could adjust effective mortar fire on the enemy, and despite his injuries and enemy fire at his position, remained on duty. His courage, aggressiveness and determined efforts reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

IV-AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to:

First Lieutenant WARREN J. CAPISTRAN, 01299198, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 10 July 1944 in the vicinity of Saint Jean de Day, France. At a time when enemy forces were making a fierce and determined counterattack using all armor and personnel at their disposal, Lt. Capistran, serving as forward observer for a cannon company, exposed himself to intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire to direct accurate return fire on enemy troops. When his agent corporal was seriously wounded, he dashed to his side to administer first aid and was himself fatally wounded. Lt. Capistran's courage, coolness and high devotion to the welfare of others reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

V-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

First Lieutenant RALPH A. LINERODE, 01058878, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 5 April 1945 in the vicinity of Brunskappel, Germany. Lt. Linerode's platoon was attacking a town when it was pinned down by heavy enemy artillery, tank and antiaircraft gun fire from the surrounding hills. With utter disregard for personal safety, he leaped to his feet and attacked an enemy machine gun emplacement, neutralizing it and killing several of the enemy. His courageous action inspired his men to continue the advance despite the hostile fire and to take their objective. Lt. Linerode's aggressiveness, initiative and fearlessness reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant WALTER J. MORRIS, (then Staff Sergeant), 35606335, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 24 November 1944 in the vicinity of Eschweiler, Germany. Sgt. Morris exposed himself to heavy enemy artillery, mortar, tank and small arms fire to direct accurate and sustained machine gun fire upon enemy troops and positions. When enemy shells severed important communication lines, he went out under direct tank fire to repair the lines, and, though wounded by shell fragments, refused evacuation in order to continue his mission. Sgt. Morris' courageous actions and determined efforts were largely responsible for enabling our infantry to advance across open terrain, and reflect high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLARD A. DAHL, 39465776, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 1 November 1944 in the vicinity of Schoenhutte, Germany. Upon learning that a rifleman lay severely wounded in an area covered by a heavy concentration of enemy artillery fire, Cpl. Dahl, disregarding personal safety, fearlessly led his litter squad into the impact area. Displaying outstanding leadership and coolness in the face of enemy fire, he supervised the administration of emergency medical treatment and, again leading his squad through the concentrated barrage, successfully evacuated the casualty to a rear Aid Station. Cpl. Dahl's courageous conduct and valiant actions reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Washington.

Private First Class PETER BLAZOVSKY, 32464621, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Apperode, Germany. While moving forward to support tanks held up by a strongly defended enemy road block, Pfc. Blazovsky's squad was subjected to intense mortar and small arms fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to the vicious fusillade and led the squad in an assault against the enemy positions, inflicting severe losses among the enemy personnel, and forcing the surviving riflemen to flee in confusion. Pfc. Blazovsky's devotion to duty and courageous actions enabled the tanks to continue their advance, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class EMERIC J. DOSSA, 35828873, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettleschoss, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Dossa's company was subjected to intense enemy mortar, rocket, and small arms fire which inflicted several casualties. Pfc. Dossa unhesitatingly exposed himself to the enemy fire and, from a commanding position, delivered effective covering fire with his machine gun in order to enable the casualties to be evacuated. Pfc. Dossa's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions contributed materially to the saving of many lives and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class RICHARD J. LEMBACH, 36267141, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 20 November 1944 in the vicinity of Nothberg, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy

positions, the assault elements of the Infantry encountered deadly enemy fire. Despite the heavy barrage enveloping the immediate area, Pfc. Lombach quickly established an Aid Station and capably administered emergency medical treatment to the critically wounded. With an increase in the intensity of the struggle, he voluntarily assisted in evacuating the casualties and guided the litter bearers through mine fields under continuous fire to insure the speedy removal of the wounded from their exposed positions. Pfc. Lombach's devotion to duty and courageous actions saved many lives and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class ALBERT M. MUSICH, 39084305, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 30 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bahl-Neestadt, Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by fire from three well concealed enemy machine guns, Pfc. Musich voluntarily exposed himself to draw fire and thus discover the locations of the enemy guns. Crawling through the heavy fire with his radio, he reached a commanding position and directed effective fire on the emplacements. Pfc. Musich's courageous actions resulted in the destruction of the enemy positions and enabled his platoon to move on and take its objective. His aggressiveness and determination reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Private LEROY C. DARLINGTON, 36042747, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettelschoss, Germany. Pvt. Darlington's platoon was advancing against strong enemy mortar and small arms fire when it was pinned down by direct 20 mm gun fire which caused some casualties. Without regard for his own safety, Pvt. Darlington immediately dashed to the aid of the wounded through a hail of fire. Upon reaching them he administered first aid, moved them to positions from which they could be evacuated, and then returned through the heavy fire to his platoon. His heroic actions were undoubtedly responsible for saving the men's lives and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class CHARLES M. FREDERICK, 33897338, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 5 April 1945 in the vicinity of Osterwald, Germany. Pfc. Frederick was the automatic rifleman of a four man reconnaissance patrol which was moving across sparsely wooded ground when it was taken under fire by an enemy group to its front. The fire was so intense as to prevent withdrawal until Pfc. Frederick exposed himself to the enemy in order to lay down covering fire. His accurate and sustained efforts inflicted substantial losses on the enemy group and enabled his patrol to return with important information regarding enemy dispositions in the area. Pfc. Frederick's courageous actions and aggressiveness reflect much credit upon himself and are worthy of the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class FRANK C. GRAZIANI, 32803441, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 6 September 1944 in the vicinity of Blaimont, Belgium. Pfc. Graziani and another man volunteered to lay a vital communication line across the Meuse River in advance of the battalion. When the battalion attacked, he moved forward with the advance elements to continue laying and maintaining wire lines. He was continually exposed to heavy enemy artillery fire, but, disregarding personal safety, he worked until his mission was completed. Pfc. Graziani's courageous and determined efforts contributed materially to the success of the operation and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class RALPH A. IOVINELLI, 36646132, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 14 October 1944 in the vicinity of Germeter, Germany. When his company's attack was halted and the men pinned down by a concentration of enemy artillery and mortar fire, the enemy launched a determined counterattack to disorganize our



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forces. Pfc. Iovinelli, an ammunition bearer in the weapons platoon, left his place of cover to man a mortar and, in the face of continuous artillery and small arms fire, directed accurate and sustained mortar fire on the enemy forces. His courageous and determined stand disrupted the enemy thrust and enabled his company to continue the advance and seize its objective. Entered military service from Illinois.

**VI-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following members of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished themselves by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

First Sergeant CLEMENT L. BROCK, 36306832, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 February 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD J. HILLARD, (then Corporal), 33214307, Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 31 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the Mediterranean and European Theaters of Operation. Entered military service from Virginia.

Master Sergeant PETER J. FRENKEL, 32696955, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 1 March 1945 to 1 April 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

**VII-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Technical Sergeant RANDOLPH H. BROWN, 13000904, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 2 January 1945 in the vicinity of Morschau, Germany. During an assault against strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Brown's platoon was subjected to intense enemy rifle fire. Observing his platoon leader fall seriously wounded, he immediately assumed command and skillfully maneuvered his men around to the enemy position. Covered by the fire of his men, Sgt. Brown rushed the emplacement, hurling hand grenades with deadly accuracy, killing two and wounding five of the stubbornly resisting enemy. Sgt. Brown's devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions enabled his platoon to continue its advance, contributing materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Maryland.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS J. LEONARD, 33408898, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettelshoss, Germany. After hard fighting against determined enemy resistance backed with fire from anti-aircraft guns, Sgt. Leonard's platoon reached high ground exposed to enemy observation. The enemy immediately laid down heavy fire on the position, causing severe casualties within the platoon. Without regard for personal safety, Sgt. Leonard went to the aid of the wounded, coolly and calmly administering to them despite sniper and machine gun fire directed at him, until all had been evacuated to positions of comparative safety. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

**VIII-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Soldier's Medal is awarded to:

Private First Class EDWIN A. KIFF, 16151722, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 19 June 1945 in Germany. Pfc. Kiff and another man were members of a swimming party when a comrade dove into the stream and failed to reappear. Surmising that he had struck his head on a submerged object and had been rendered unconscious, Pfc. Kiff and his comrade immediately dove into the swift current,

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making an intensive search for the victim. After strenuous efforts which nearly exhausted them, Pfc. Kiff and his comrade located the unconscious man, extracted him from beneath a log and carried him to shore. There they applied artificial respiration until the man revived. Pfc. Kiff's heroic actions resulted in saving the man's life and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. POTOSEK, 31125951, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 19 June 1945 in Germany. Pfc. Potossek and another man were members of a swimming party when a comrade dove into the stream and failed to reappear. Surmising that he had struck his head on a submerged object and had been rendered unconscious, Pfc. Potossek and his comrade immediately dove into the swift current, making an intensive search for the victim. After strenuous efforts which nearly exhausted them, Pfc. Potossek and his comrade located the unconscious man, extracted him from beneath a log and carried him to shore. There they applied artificial respiration until the man revived. Pfc. Potossek's heroic actions resulted in saving the man's life and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

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I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Silver Star is awarded to:

First Lieutenant FRANK D. LAMB, 01230261, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 3 March 1945 in the vicinity of Derkum, Germany. After reconnoitering the surrounding area to determine the strength of the hostile force, Lt. Lamb fearlessly led his platoon in an assault against the strongly entrenched enemy. Skillfully deploying his men, he exposed himself to the intense artillery, machine gun, and small arms fire to draw enemy fire in order to enable his men to locate the enemy riflemen. Inspired by his calm and courageous leadership, the men intensified their attack and by the very fury of this onslaught, routed the opposing forces, inflicting severe losses. Lt. Lamb's valiant actions during this bitter struggle enabled his company to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant CHARLES E. WILSON, 01314212, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 February 1945 in the vicinity of Hofen, Germany. While Lt. Wilson's mortar section was supporting assault elements of the Infantry, the immediate area was subjected to intense enemy fire, inflicting many casualties among the men. With complete disregard for his own safety, he rushed through the heavy barrage to aid the injured. Although seriously wounded himself, he refused to be evacuated and assisted in administering emergency treatment to the casualties until all had received medical attention. Lt. Wilson's outstanding devotion to duty and valiant actions under fire were directly responsible for saving the lives of the wounded. Entered military service from Idaho.

Technical Sergeant JOHN H. KING, 34349082, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vogtelag, Germany. Sgt. King was leading a five-man patrol into enemy territory when it was pinned down by enemy mortar and small arms fire. Despite the fire, he continued on his mission to locate enemy positions and installations, and was returning to the patrol when cut off by an enemy patrol infiltrating toward friendly lines. Crawling unobserved to within a few yards of the enemy group, he leaped to his feet and fearlessly charged them, threw a grenade which killed two of the enemy and shot the others as they attempted to escape. He then returned to his company with important information which materially aided the subsequent attack. Sgt. King's courageous actions, determined efforts and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Technical Sergeant MARION E. LEE, 35812325, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 13 March 1945 in the vicinity of Menzenberg, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Lee's company was subjected to intense enemy fire. Quickly grasping the seriousness of the situation, he skillfully maneuvered his platoon around to the enemy's flank and fearlessly moved in the face of withering fire to establish a forward observation post. Although under continuous enemy fire, he remained in his exposed position, directing devastating mortar fire against the enemy installations and wreaking havoc among enemy personnel and equipment. Sgt. Lee's courageous leadership and valiant actions enabled his company to

continue its advance and to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Indiana.

Technical Sergeant STEVE C. SZEKENDI, 6651358, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 26 February 1945 in the vicinity of Nideggen, Germany. Sgt. Szekendi's company was attacking enemy positions when it came under intense machine gun fire from concealed enemy positions, completely halting its advance and causing several casualties. Sgt. Szekendi, noting the source of the fire, immediately took up an exposed position and began firing his rifle at the enemy while the remainder of the men worked their way back to the cover of a wooded area. When his ammunition was exhausted, Sgt. Szekendi obtained an automatic rifle from one of the casualties and continued to fire with telling effect, returning to his company only when he had completely exhausted all ammunition available to him. His courageous and determined action enabled his company to regroup for a successful attack which followed, and reflects high credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Indiana.

Staff Sergeant WILLIS J. SCARLETT, 39687509, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 12 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. Sgt. Scarlett's company was driving toward enemy held terrain on the eastern bank of the Rhine River when it came under intense enemy machine gun fire which halted its advance. Sgt. Scarlett led a patrol forward to locate the sources of the enemy fire and upon reaching open ground under artillery and mortar fire, crawled to within several yards of an enemy machine gun emplacement. Then, exposing himself to the enemy, he threw a hand grenade into the position, wounding three of the crew and forcing a fourth to surrender. Returning to his company, he led it around the cleared enemy flank to continue the advance. Sgt. Scarlett's courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND J. VERSETTI, 33425445, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Reider, Germany. While rifle platoons of his company were engaged in street fighting, Sgt. Versetti's section of machine guns was given the mission of clearing out another part of the town. The group was met with intense enemy machine gun fire coming from a courtyard three hundred yards away. Sgt. Versetti ordered his men to remain concealed while he attempted to cross the open space, only to be subjected to the added fire of riflemen covering the machine gun position. Undaunted, he increased his own fire while moving forward, and maintained his fearless advance until his accurate fire forced the enemy group to surrender. His high courage and aggressive initiative resulted in the capitulation of the enemy strongpoint with a total of seventy three prisoners, and are in the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant RAY WHITE, 38052365, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 27 February 1945 in the vicinity of Thus, Germany. During an attack against strongly fortified hostile positions, Sgt. White's company was halted by withering fire from an enemy machine gun emplacement. With complete disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to direct the deployment and fire power of his squad. He maneuvered his way to the rear of the hostile machine gun nest, killing a number of enemy riflemen as he advanced, and threw a hand grenade into the enemy fortification completely neutralizing the gun. Sgt. White's courageous actions, devotion to duty, and inspiring leadership enabled his company to continue their advance and contributed materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class EDWARD V. PICERNO, 48127884, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 April 1945 in the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany. When heavy fighting inside the town depleted his company's ammunition

stock, Pfc. Picerno undertook the mission of replenishing the supply. Though the only supply route was heavily mined and continually interdicted by enemy artillery fire, he unhesitatingly drove through the dangerous area, often stopping to mark the location of mines for litter vehicles. Arriving in the town, he drove to his unit's positions despite heavy enemy fire and unloaded the vital ammunition. Pfc. Picerno's courage and determination materially aided the successful attack of his company and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class CLAUD J. SIMS, 34894238, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 30 January 1945 in the vicinity of Hofen, Germany. During an attack on a strong enemy force, Pfc. Sims' unit was subjected to intense enemy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Observing a fellow soldier lying wounded about 800 yards from his position, he started to his aid. He was forced to cross a deep ravine through waist high snow drifts in full view of enemy observers in order to reach the side of the casualty and administer first aid. He then carried the man back over the same hazardous route to a position from which he could be evacuated. Pfc. Sims' gallant actions, courage and devotion to his comrade are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class CHARLES D. SMITH, 12037124, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 8 April 1945 in the vicinity of Wehrstapel, Germany. Moving ahead of his unit to reconnoiter the surrounding area, Pfc. Smith encountered two enemy positions. Subjected to withering machine gun fire, he answered with deadly accuracy, killing two and wounding one of the entrenched enemy. Although seriously wounded, he continued to harass the hostile force until forced to withdraw by the approach of a larger force. He returned through heavy fire to warn his comrades of the impending attack and disregarding his wound, he assisted in defending the positions, allowing himself to be evacuated only when the enemy thrust had been repelled. His courageous conduct under fire and valiant actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant THOMAS M. REUSCH, 0411622, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 10 February 1945 in the vicinity of Schmidt, Germany. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions, Lt. Reusch's platoon encountered intense enemy fire. Realizing the need for rapid advance, he unhesitatingly moved among his men, completely exposed to the withering fire and inspired them to follow him in a frontal attack which routed the enemy troops and captured one hundred prisoners. Lt. Reusch's platoon was later subjected to a fierce counterattack, but under his courageous leadership, the men poured devastating fire into the ranks of the oncoming enemy, inflicting severe losses and held the position until relieved by the arrival of armored vehicles. Lt. Reusch's devotion to duty and valiant actions secured a strategic sector, paving the way for the capture of the vital Schwammanuel Dam. Entered military service from Texas.

Warrant Officer (Junior Grade) PAUL T. QUARANTA, 7-2109386, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 June 1944 in the vicinity of St. Jacques de Nohou, France. Upon learning that a battalion of Infantry in the direct line of a determined enemy counterattack was without its basic load of ammunition, Warrant Officer Quaranta moved into an open field where the ammunition trucks were parked and, though enemy artillery fire was falling in the area, began to round up the drivers who had taken cover. Under his direction a boggy stretch of road was reinforced and the trucks started toward the front lines. Despite shell fragments which riddled his vehicle, Warrant Officer Quaranta led the trucks forward, supervised their unloading and distributed the ammunition. His courageous and determined efforts were greatly responsible for repelling the enemy thrust and enabling his organization to proceed with its mission. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant JAMES H. MICHAEL, 36827603, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 10 March 1945 in the vicinity of Lina, Germany. As Sgt. Michaels' platoon advanced to secure strategically important high ground, an intense barrage from enemy artillery and self-propelled guns stopped the advance and inflicted casualties upon the platoon. Sgt. Michael fearlessly refused to seek cover and exposed himself to the deadly fire to assist the aid man in evacuating three wounded men. Though the aid man became a casualty, Sgt. Michael persevered in his determined efforts, making three trips across open terrain to carry the wounded to cover. His courage, gallantry and devotion to his comrades reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant ELTON W. PARKER, 31455125, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 3 January 1945 in the vicinity of Konzen, Germany. Sgt. Parker's company was in the attack when the lead platoon came under a heavy concentration of enemy sniper fire which halted its progress. Realizing the necessity for continued contact, Sgt. Parker left his covered position and for two hours made his way through the withering fire, relaying information. He then placed machine gun fire on the enemy, enabling the pinned-down squads to withdraw, and moved forward to add his fire to that of the assault elements. When it was finally decided to withdraw, Sgt. Parker led a reconnaissance patrol to survey the route, and made possible a successful withdrawal without a casualty. His courageous efforts, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD F. SISCO, 33573578, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of Lorschoid, Germany. Advancing over open terrain, Sgt. Sisko's company was pinned down by a heavy concentration of enemy fire which caused a number of casualties. Observing three seriously wounded men, he crawled 100 yards under the intense hostile fire to reach the men. He succeeded in evacuating them while constantly under direct enemy observation and fire. His courageous actions undoubtedly saved the lives of his comrades and are in the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant GROVER D. MOSS, 34171186, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 June 1944 in the vicinity of St. Jacques de Nehou, France. Despite intense enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sgt. Moss and another man voluntarily exposed themselves to the vicious fire in order to corduroy boggy terrain to enable the unimpeded movement of vital supplies to their unit. Although constantly subjected to the concentrated fire, they accomplished their mission and then proceeded to assist in unloading and distributing the ammunition through a hail of deadly fire. Sgt. Moss' cool and courageous actions were instrumental in repelling a fierce enemy onslaught. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Sergeant DAVIS R. OLIVER, 33119860, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 19 June 1944 in the vicinity of St. Jacques de Nehou, France. Learning that the movement of vital supplies to his unit was impeded, Sgt. Oliver and another man voluntarily exposed themselves to the concentrated enemy fire to corduroy the boggy terrain. Despite the intensity of the fire, they accomplished their mission, permitting the vehicles to move forward and then assisted in unloading the supplies through a hail of deadly fire. Sgt. Oliver's cool and courageous actions were instrumental in repelling the vicious enemy onslaught. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class ABRAHAM S. WOLD, 35542078, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 2 April 1945 in the vicinity of Nordenau, Germany. After Pfc. Wold's company had seized an important road junction, the enemy launched a vicious counterattack with armored vehicles. Pfc. Wold led the antitank team to advantageous positions from which it

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could fire effectively upon the enemy vehicles. Seeing a comrade fall seriously wounded, he ran through a deadly hail of small arms fire to the man and removed him to a place of safety. Pfc. Told's cool and courageous actions undoubtedly saved the life of the wounded man and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain CHARLES E. PITNEY, 0497307, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 15 August 1944 in the vicinity of St. Hilaire de Briouze, France. Seeing the advance of assault elements of the Infantry arrested by devastating enemy fire, Capt. Pitney exposed himself to the deadly fire, directed the shelling of the enemy positions and enabled the attacking units to successfully attain their objectives. His cool and courageous actions while subjected to intense fire, resulted in the destruction of a quantity of equipment and personnel, reflecting high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Missouri.

Lieutenant Colonel MAXWELL A. TINCHER, 020798, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy on 9 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. Lt. Col. Tinchor was assigned the mission of setting up the antitank defense of the Rhine Bridgehead. He deliberately exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to make a personal reconnaissance of likely avenues of attack and suitable defensive positions. Then, with a limited number of tank destroyer weapons, he deployed his battalion and attached units so that the Division was secure at all times and the Infantry elements received maximum assault gun support. His courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

**II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Sergeant HORACE E. RICE, (then Private First Class), 35076880, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 7 April 1945 in the vicinity of Elp, Germany. While clearing an area of remnants of hostile elements, Sgt. Rice's patrol was subjected to deadly enemy fire. Learning that their supply of ammunition was dangerously depleted, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the intense fire, received the ammunition and killed many of the enemy upon assaulted on his return trip. Sgt. Rice's devotion to duty and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of his patrol's activities. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class ROBERT J. SHEW, 36418359, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Ultingerode, Germany. While assaulting strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Shew observed a supporting tank burst into flame from a direct hit. Unhesitatingly, he went through the hail of deadly fire, extinguished the fire and revived an injured crewman, who elected to remain with the tank and cover Pfc. Shew's return. The aggressive initiative and courageous actions displayed by Pfc. Shew reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Sergeant RAY W. ROY, 35778606, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Ohlenberg, Germany. In charge of an outpost attacked by an enemy force of eighty men and three tanks, Sgt. Roy succeeded in halting the enemy and, though under heavy tank, mortar and small arms fire, held his position until the ammunition was expended. He then made his way back to his company with important information which enabled his comrades to repulse a major counterattack. Sgt. Roy's courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Sergeant STANLEY J. RACZKOWKI, 39197143, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 18 September 1944 in the vicinity of Schovenhutte Germany. Preceded by a heavy artillery barrage, the enemy infiltrated through positions on Sgt. Raczkowki's right flank. Perceiving the danger, he turned his machine gun on the attacking forces and inflicted substantial casualties upon them with sustained and accurate fire. When an important communication line was severed by enemy artillery, Sgt. Raczkowki repaired the line, enabling mortar fire to be directed on the enemy and repelling their attack. His courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Washington.

Sergeant JOSEPH A. SZCZEPANSKI, 20230572, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 15 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. Sgt. Szczepanski's company was engaged in clearing a thickly wooded area when the lead platoon came under heavy machine gun fire, temporarily halting its advance. Sgt. Szczepanski quickly made his way to the flank of the enemy machine gun, catching the enemy by surprise. Firing his rifle as he advanced, he forced three of the enemy to surrender. His daring action enabled his company to continue its advance and reflects high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class RAYMOND R. BURLILE, 35297089, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. While advancing against strongly fortified enemy positions, Pfc. Burlile's company was subjected to a terrific enemy barrage. Observing several of the men fall seriously wounded, he unhesitatingly dashed through the intense fire to aid the casualties. After capably administering emergency medical treatment, he carried the men to a place of safety. His devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions enabled the men to receive prompt medical attention, thereby saving many lives. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class ANDREW J. NOTTINGHAM, 33731571, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Northburg, Germany. Pfc. Nottingham and another man volunteered to recover the bodies of five comrades who lay in an area exposed to enemy observation and fire. Previous attempts had already cost the life of one aid man. Pfc. Nottingham and his companion successfully made the mile and a quarter trip and returned, though often forced to seek cover from the direct enemy fire. His courageous action reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class CONRAD J. MINUTILLO, 42009147, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 28 November 1944 in the vicinity of Northburg, Germany. Pfc. Minutillo and another soldier volunteered to recover the bodies of five comrades who lay in an area exposed to enemy observation and fire. Previous attempts had already cost the life of one aid man. Pfc. Minutillo and his companion successfully made the mile and a quarter trip and returned, though often forced to seek cover from the direct enemy fire. His courageous action reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class NICHOLAS STRICKA, 37727028, Medical Department, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 4 March 1945 in the vicinity of Fraumenberg, Germany. Learning that a wounded man lay in an exposed position subjected to heavy enemy shellings, Pfc. Stricka unhesitatingly went to his aid. With complete disregard for personal safety, he made his way through withering machine gun fire to the casualty, administered emergency treatment and then carried him to safety. Pfc. Stricka's courageous action, initiative and devotion to duty saved the life of the wounded man and reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Kansas.



Private First Class HOWARD TAYLOR JR., 44005747, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 5 April 1945 in the vicinity of Oberkirchen, Germany. When his advancing squad was subjected to intense small arms fire and momentarily halted, Pfc. Taylor unhesitatingly exposed himself to precise accurate fire on the enemy group and force them to withdraw. Later the enemy launched a counterattack and again, Pfc. Taylor boldly moved from his safe position and by accurate fire against the attacking force, repulsed the assault. His courageous actions reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class ANTHONY J. ALFIERI, 32867385, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. While moving forward with his Mortar Section Pfc. Alfieri observed the approach of a force of enemy riflemen. He and another soldier assaulted the enemy's flank. Though discovered and subjected to intense small arms and automatic fire, he answered with deadly accuracy, inflicting severe losses among enemy personnel and enabling his section to take thirty one prisoners. Pfc. Alfieri's aggressive initiative and courageous actions reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class FRANK J. SERRA, 42030283, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. While moving forward with his Mortar Section Pfc. Serra observed the approach of a force of enemy riflemen. He and another soldier assaulted the enemy's flank. Though discovered and subjected to intense small arms and automatic fire, he answered with deadly accuracy, inflicting severe losses among enemy personnel and enabling his section to take thirty one prisoners. Pfc. Serra's aggressive initiative and courageous actions reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant HUGH G. APPLING, 19087931, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 23 March 1945 in the vicinity of Kirchvers, Germany. Sgt. Appling drove toward a recently enemy occupied town to secure information regarding hostile elements. Though friendly Infantry units had not entered the town, he unhesitatingly made his way into it and interrogated the civilians. Although endangered by the proximity of enemy troops and the exploding shells of a nearby ammunition dump, Sgt. Appling successfully completed his mission. His courageous actions contributed materially to the success of the subsequent operations and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

III-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 25 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following member of the Armed Forces of the United States who distinguished himself by meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy:

Major DANIEL E. DUNCAN, 01238523, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 9 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

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IV-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 123, Headquarters, Fifth Infantry Division, dated 11 July 1945, as pertains to the award of the Silver Star to Private First Class **WILSON E. ZENSTROM**, 31328748, Infantry, United States Army, as received November 1943 is amended to read: "11 November 1943".

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I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Captain JOHN T. BROWN, (then First Lieutenant), 0409378, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 14 July 1944 in the vicinity of Clerbourg, France. When the enemy launched a strong counterattack supported by tanks, Capt. Brown moved to the most forward positions to direct artillery fire on the enemy forces. He was subjected to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire, and his radio was rendered useless, but Capt. Brown continued to direct fire, using infantry telephone communications. Through his courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty the enemy attack was disorganized and thrown back. Capt. Brown's actions reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY J. BUZA, (then Sergeant), 6948703, Armored, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 25 September 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. Sgt. Buza, acting leader of a tank platoon, was given the mission of neutralizing an enemy 88 mm gun which had been holding up the advance of friendly elements. Under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, Sgt. Buza made a reconnaissance of the enemy position, then returned to lead his tank forward. Though the movement drew increased enemy fire, he led the tank into position and directed its fire so accurately that the enemy gun was destroyed and its crew forced to flee, enabling friendly elements to make a substantial advance. His courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant CHARLES E. SCHADE, 0300389, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Witterschlick, Germany. On two separate occasions, Lt. Schade moved forward in the face of heavy enemy tank and machine gun fire to emplace the mortars of his platoon and direct sustained and accurate fire upon enemy emplacements. As a result of his fearless actions Infantry elements which had been halted by the intense enemy fire were enabled to continue their advances and capture many prisoners. The aggressiveness, courage, initiative and devotion to duty displayed by Lt. Schade inspired his men and reflect the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered military service from Ohio.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 Feb 1943, and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with the war against the enemy is awarded the following-named officers and enlisted men:

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18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Kettleschoss, Germany. Sgt. Anderson's platoon was met with heavy enemy tank and small arms which forced it to attempt a withdrawal. However, any movement increased enemy fire and inflicted more casualties. Observing the situation, Sgt. Anderson moved his machine gun to an exposed position and, under direct enemy fire, opened fire on the enemy emplacement. His sustained and accurate fire enabled his platoon to effect withdrawal, and not until it had reached new positions did Sgt. Anderson attempt to seek safety for himself. His courageous action, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class HARRY A. DAVIS, 35657452, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 5 February 1945 in the vicinity of Wollersheim, Germany. Pfc. Davis was a member of a combat patrol charged with the mission of clearing the enemy from company's exposed flank. The patrol was crossing an open field when it came under heavy enemy artillery and machine gun fire which seriously wounded three men and forced the others to withdraw to positions of cover. Pfc. Davis remained in his exposed position, however, and despite the continued enemy fire administered medical aid to his fallen comrades. When the enemy fire subsided, he continued with his mission. Pfc. Davis' courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Private First Class JOSEPH P. LA BUE, 38267666, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 3 March 1945 in the vicinity of Erpel, Germany. When a strong enemy force was counterattacking in a determined effort to reduce the Romagen Bridgehead, Pfc. La Bue established himself in a house under enemy fire and maintained important radio communications. His position received several direct hits and Pfc. La Bue was wounded, but after receiving treatment he returned to his dangerous post and continued to relay messages and call for artillery fire. Throughout a forty-eight hour period he worked incessantly, though the house was almost completely demolished. Pfc. La Bue's courage, tenacity and devotion to duty materially aided the success of the operation. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Private First Class EDWARD P. SINOWITZ, 32928470, Infantry (Armed), United States Army, who distinguished himself on 26 July 1944 in France. When the tank upon which Pfc. Sinowitz was riding was hit by a bazooka shell, the crew was forced to abandon the vehicle and make its way to friendly lines. One crew member, however, was critically burned and unable to move, and Pfc. Sinowitz rushed to his aid, extinguishing his burning clothing and carrying him through an open field under enemy small arms fire to a position from which he could be evacuated. Pfc. Sinowitz's courageous actions undoubtedly saved the man's life and reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Captain HERBERT J. STORBECK, 01299813, Counter Intelligence Corps, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 28 March 1945 in the vicinity of Romagen, Germany. Capt. Storbeck advanced ahead of leading Infantry elements to collect information concerning enemy intentions. He entered a town not yet entered by friendly troops and, by skillful interrogation, gained valuable information which he relayed to advancing armored spearheads. Then, advancing still deeper into enemy territory, he braved the dangers of an exploding ammunition dump to question civilians in another town. The information Capt. Storbeck received was of definite value in insuring the success of subsequent operations in that sector. His courage and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded the following-named officers and enlisted men:

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First Lieutenant CECIL P. CRAIG, 01172425, Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Maine.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM G. SAMES, 34400699, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Captain GEORGE R. GALLAGHER, 01796069, Counter Intelligence Corps, United States Army, during the period 20 March 1945 to 3 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Sergeant ALFRED KATZENSTEIN, 105, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 23 January 1945 to 1 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant ALLEN H. LINDGREN, 38454535, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 3 February 1944 to 1 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

#### IV-AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant FRANK H. MAIER SR., (then Private First Class), 34829741, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 27 December 1944 in the vicinity of Monachau, Germany. As radio operator for the mortar observer, Sgt. Maier was occupying a building also being used as an outpost for a rifle squad. A direct hit on the building, during heavy enemy fire, wounded several of the riflemen. Without regard for personal safety, he rushed to administer first aid and assist the men to the comparative safety of the basement. He then crossed nearly 800 yards of open terrain to procure litter bearers to evacuate the casualties. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Georgia.

V-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul 8 WD 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Sergeant CHARLES R. GORECKI, 36731893, Field Artillery, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 13 July 1945 in the vicinity of Allerhausen, Germany. When a member of a swimming party stepped into deep water and, unable to swim, was in imminent danger of drowning, Sgt. Gorecki immediately went to his rescue. The victim endangered Sgt. Gorecki by his frantic efforts, but Sgt. Gorecki skillfully broke the others' hold and grabbing him from behind, was able to swim with him to shore. Here he applied artificial respiration until the man revived. Sgt. Gorecki's courage and prompt actions saved the man's life and reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade HAROLD J. PFEFFER, (then Private First Class), 32787662, Signal Corps, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 8 May 1945 in Munich, Germany. When several freight cars loaded with gasoline and ammunition caught fire, many civilians were killed or injured by the explosions. Cpl. Pfeffer volunteered to assist in the evacuation of the casualties and made repeated trips into the danger area despite the flames and exploding ammunition. His courageous actions contributed to the saving of many lives and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces.

VII-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Pfc Joseph E. Bateman	31406866	Inf	8 Aug 44	Connecticut
Pfc Donald V. Thomas	37009461	Inf	12 Jul 44	Missouri

BELGIUM

Pfc Thomas Farren	35745178	SG	25 Dec 44	West Virginia
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Pfc Hersel S. Flether	35733783	Inf	3 Apr 45	West Virginia
Pvt Keith E. Close	20231370	Inf	3 Feb 45	New York
Cpl Thomas L. Burns	35048155	Inf(Arm)	8 Dec 44	Ohio
Pfc Angus K. Phillips	36959941	Inf	27 Feb 45	Illinois
Pfc Edward V. Ficerno	42127864	Inf	2 Feb 45	New York
Pfc Earl L. Teaty	35902130	Inf	( Dec 44	Indiana
Cpl Murray Kent	32978193	Inf	12 Mar 45	New York
S/Sgt Benny L. Brant	33558769	Inf	21 Mar 45	Maryland
Pvt Alexander C. Sarrano	34755009	Inf	1 Feb 45	Washington, DC.
S/Sgt Gordon Demers	42049948	Inf	18 Mar 45	New Jersey
Pfc Harold E. Nelson	31283687	Inf	8 Apr 45	Maine
2nd Lt Clayton L. Foss	02106876	Inf	29 Nov 44	Wisconsin
Pfc Edward C. Sudduth	39720828	FA	24 Mar 45	California

VII-AWARD OF BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

BELGIUM

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Pvt John L. Hubbard	36449848	Inf(Arm)	3 Sep 44	Illinois

FRANCE

Pfc Paul F. Dolco	32352448	MD	10 Jul 44	New York
Pfc Robert L. Winninger	35896821	Inf	16 Jul 44	Indiana
Pfc Oliver J. Boula	3.940816	Inf	29 Jun 44	New York
Pfc Joseph L. Dotolo	37285460	Inf	2 Aug 44	Minnesota

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Pfc Henry D. Jones Jr.	34464941	Inf	13 Mar 45	North Carolina
Pfc Jessie D. Slaughter	36303340	MD	13 Oct 44	Texas
S/Sgt Paul Senyszyn	36890847	Inf	19 Mar 45	Michigan
2nd Lt Thomas J. Hayden	01018518	Inf(Arm)	6 Oct 44	New York
2nd Lt Charles F. Heinemann	01018304	Cav	3 Mar 45	Washington
Capt Kenneth L. Burton	01834128	FA	27 Mar 45	Ohio
Pvt Raymond E. Haglund	37551848	Inf(Arm)	25 Sep 44	Minnesota
Pvt Valde J. Laymon	35903181	Inf	5 Apr 45	Indiana

VIII-AWARD OF SECOND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

AFRICA

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Lt Col John	019861	GSC	1 May 43	Kansas

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ITALY

DATE OF ENTERED  
WOUND MIL SV FR

T/5 Charles J Webb                      33496495 MD                      29 May 44 Pennsylvania

IX-AWARD OF THIRD BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Third Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

GERMANY

DATE OF ENTERED  
WOUND MIL SV FR

Pfc Harold W Brady                      36882869 Inf (Armd)                      29 Sep 44 Michigan

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I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Private First Class CARL M. BABCOCK, 42110686, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 30 January 1945 in the vicinity of Kalterherberg, Germany. While storming a strongly defended enemy position, Pfc. Babcock's platoon encountered intense enemy fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he made his way through a hail of vicious fire to the emplacement, hurling hand grenades with deadly accuracy and neutralized the position. While maneuvering to assault another enemy position, he was seriously wounded and had to be evacuated. Pfc. Babcock's inspiring and courageous actions against the enemy reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade RONALD M. HIRST, 16156369, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Dreborn, Germany. When his platoon was subjected to intense enemy fire and forced to withdraw, Sgt. Hirst made his way forward, despite the withering fire, to reach a wounded comrade and administer first aid. Then, ignoring the shell fragments which tore his clothes, he carried the wounded man to a position of safety. Sgt. Hirst's gallant actions and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private GERALD H. SALZMAN, 39048134, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 6 October 1944 in the vicinity of Monschau, Germany. When his squad leader and platoon sergeant became casualties, Pvt. Salzman assumed command and inspired his comrades to keep moving forward until halted by heavy enemy fire, and then formed them into a solid defensive line. During the night Pvt. Salzman disregarded personal danger to carry two wounded men to safety through enemy artillery fire. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class YUN LUNG ZANE, 30112315, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Schiolo, Germany. Pfc. Zane, a member of a group maintaining a road block, observed enemy activity in a nearby woods and taking advantage of the cover provided by a hedgerow, crawled close to the enemy emplacement. Leaping to his feet, he rushed the position, and forced the commanding officer to surrender the entire defending group numbering 126 officers and men, much equipment and supplies. Pfc. Zane's courage, aggressiveness and initiative greatly reduced the enemy force in the area, and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Hawaii.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with



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military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class JOHN M. BULASKI, 16069092, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 31 January 1945 in the vicinity of Kalterherberg, Germany. While storming strongly defended enemy positions, Pfc. Bulaski's unit was subjected to intense fire which seriously wounded a number of the men. Unhesitatingly, he rushed from his position of comparative safety, administered first aid and evacuated the casualties to places of safety although wounded. Pfc. Bulaski's cool conduct and courageous actions saved the lives of the men and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT E. COLDREN, 35669156, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 22 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. While his battalion was attacking in hilly forested terrain, Cpl. Coldren volunteered to carry his radio to a position from which it could be effectively operated. Though under enemy observation at all times, and continuously subjected to heavy enemy artillery fire, he continued on his mission until he reached a vantage point where he set up and operated his radio throughout the subsequent action. Cpl. Coldren's courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant LEE COOPER, (then First Sergeant), 02008648, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 7 April 1945 in the vicinity of Siedlinghausen, Germany. Establishing a forward observation post with a party of men after a furious struggle with hostile elements, Lt. Cooper's position was subjected to intense fire from a concealed tank. With complete disregard for personal safety, he remained at his post, adjusting and directing cannon fire, forcing the tank's withdrawal and rendering effective supporting fire for Infantry units. Lt. Cooper's cool and courageous actions reflect high credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Corporal EVERETT F. DILLEY, 35391219, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Aschersleben, Germany. While storming strong enemy defenses, Cpl. Dilley observed one of his comrades fall seriously wounded. Unhesitatingly, he rushed to the aid of the casualty through intense machine gun fire and administered emergency treatment. Unable to evacuate the man due to strong enemy activity, Cpl. Dilley remained with the man, killing two patrolling enemy until friendly elements arrived. Cpl. Dilley's cool and courageous actions saved the life of the man and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ALESIO J. DINICOLA, 33173191, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 21 January 1945 in the vicinity of Kalterherberg, Germany. While moving forward with his squad to assault enemy strongpoints, Sgt. Dinicola observed his leader fall seriously wounded by sniper fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he rushed to the casualty, carried him through the deadly fire to a place of safety and administered effective medical treatment. Sgt. Dinicola's cool and courageous actions were responsible for saving the life of the wounded man and are in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class CLARENCE W. HOOD, 33883458, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 10 March 1945 in the vicinity of Remagen, Germany. Upon crossing the Ludendorff Bridge, spanning the Rhine River, the bridge was subjected to intense enemy artillery fire. Seeing a number of men fall seriously wounded, Pfc. Hood rushed from his position of comparative safety and assisted in creating the casualties and evacuating them to a nearby Aid Station. Pfc. Hood's initiative and intrepid actions were directly responsible for saving many lives and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Virginia.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH P. HOYLE, 01081750, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 1 January 1945 in the vicinity of Metz, France. Lt. Hoyle led his battery in engaging and destroying several enemy aircraft attacking an airfield. One enemy plane strafed his position, setting fire to the Radar and endangering the operators, but Lt. Hoyle remained at his post to continue his control of the battery fire and safely evacuate the Radar operators. His courage, calmness under fire and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

First Lieutenant ENOCH W. HUNT, 01316054, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 6 September 1944 in the vicinity of Hastiere, Belgium. Lt. Hunt led his platoon in an assault crossing of the Meuse River to secure a bridgehead for the battalion. Upon seizing the objective, the platoon was counter-attacked by a strong enemy force supported by tanks and a flame-throwing half-track. With complete disregard for personal safety, he directed such accurate fire that one enemy tank was knocked out, the other forced to retreat and the enemy group disorganized. Lt. Hunt's courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class BERNIS G. JOHNSON, 38733027, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 4 April 1945 in the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany. While storming a strongly defended enemy position, the platoon's advance was temporarily halted by intense enemy fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Pfc. Johnson and another man made their way with a rocket launcher to a point of vantage, destroyed an armored vehicle with their deadly fire and captured six of the enemy. Pfc. Johnson's cool and courageous actions enabled his unit to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant JOHN W. KELTNER, 38081350, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany. During a fierce enemy counter-attack, Sgt. Keltner's observation post was subjected to intense enemy fire. With his position assaulted by a tank that demanded his surrender, he replied by calling for mortar fire until the threat was crushed. Sgt. Keltner's exemplary conduct under fire and courageous actions were a credit to himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE KLASNJA, (then Private First Class), 36041770, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 28 February 1945 in the vicinity of Abenden, Germany. Cpl. Klasnja volunteered to reestablish contact between two separated units and drove his vehicle forward under heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. When forced to leave his vehicle he continued on foot through a mine field to reach friendly troops and gain information of vital importance to the success of the operation. Cpl. Klasnja's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class JOHN P. PELLEGRINO, 36725985, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Aschersleben, Germany. While moving forward to defend a vital supply route, the platoon was subjected to furious enemy fire. Observing one of the men fall seriously wounded, he rushed to the aid of the casualty through intense fire, carried him to a point of safety and administered emergency medical treatment. Pfc. Pellegrino's courageous actions saved the life of the wounded man and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Captain JAMES T. STROUD, 0375315, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 4 February 1945 in the vicinity of Herhahn, Germany. While assaulting strongly defended enemy positions, Capt. Stroud's company was subjected to intense enemy fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to control the movements of his men and to direct artillery fire on enemy targets. Although constantly under fire, Capt. Stroud remained at his post until the enemy threat was eliminated. Capt. Stroud's cool leadership and courageous actions enabled his unit to take its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class JAMES W. SUGGS, 34899047, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 3 March 1945 in the vicinity of Derkm, Germany. Upon crossing the Ert Canal with assault elements of the Infantry, Pfc. Suggs started to lay wire in order to establish contact between the units. Although constantly under intense enemy fire and attacked by a hostile patrol, he continued to expose himself to the fire until his mission was completed. Pfc. Suggs' cool conduct and courageous actions enabled his unit commander to receive information of vital tactical importance almost immediately. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class WILLIAM F. VANDERBROOK, 42086484, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 4 April 1945 in the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany. While storming a strongly defended enemy position, the platoon's advance was temporarily halted by intense enemy fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, Pfc. Vanderbrook and another man made their way with a rocket launcher to a point of vantage, destroyed an armored vehicle with their deadly fire and captured six of the enemy. Pfc. Vanderbrook's cool and courageous actions enabled his unit to secure its objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New York.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade DOMINICK L. ARNONE, 32550593, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant QUINTEN J. BENOTTO, 39841628, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from California.

Captain BENJAMIN E. BOONE, 0408278, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 1 September 1944 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Virginia.

Private First Class RICHARD K. BOYD, 35414502, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 July 1944 to 1 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade OSCAR W. BROOKS, 35278675, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant LEROY DURHAM, 33157001, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 12 June 1944 to 6 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

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Staff Sergeant JOHN A. EMERY, 34284915, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Second Lieutenant JOSEPH H. FERGUSON, 01996398, Counter Intelligence Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Sergeant STANLEY J. GASI, 20274857, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant LEONARD GOLDBERG, 32559076, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant ALBERT F. HARBORD, 01057750, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant JACK W. HUFFMAN, 35469282, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 7 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Major ALBERT L. JAMES JR., 0354020, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN KALISH, 32512159, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade JACK W. MC KEE, 39199811, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH MISIASZEK, 31130065, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES A. NATOLI, 35472511, Medical Department, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT L. SANSING, 20756776, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Arkansas.

Technician Third Grade ROLAND R. SCHEIDERIDER, 39384330, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 10 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Oregon.

Private First Class ALBERT L. SEGNERE, 33829608, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade JOSEPH C. SHATTAS, 32558867, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant STEPHEN N. SIRTICH, 33147915, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant ORVILLE R. STOUGH, 35336759, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

Captain THOMAS TURITTO, 01042191, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in France. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant HARVEY C. WALDREP, 38417752, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 29 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade GIBSON L. WHARTON, 33441929, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1944 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Virginia.

Staff Sergeant LAWRENCE J. YURICK, 33138155, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 10 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II, Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named-enlisted men:

Private First Class PAUL J. DWORAK, (then Private), 39564029, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 15 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. When his company encountered heavy enemy automatic weapon fire and was unable to move, Pfc. Dworak aggressively moved forward, firing as he went, and succeeded in causing several casualties in the enemy group and cutting off others, who were captured by his unit. Pfc. Dworak then assisted in administering aid to his wounded comrades and returned to add effective supporting fire. His heroic actions reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant PAUL Q. GUERRERO, 39712117, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 24 December 1944 in the vicinity of Katterherberg, Germany. While engaged in a bitter struggle with the enemy, Sgt. Guerrero's unit was assaulted from the rear by paratroopers. Skillfully maneuvering his squad into a favorable position, he led his men in a furious onslaught against the hostile force, killing three and taking ten prisoner. Sgt. Guerrero's cool and courageous actions eliminated a serious threat to his unit and reflect high credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

Technician Fifth Grade FRED PRESSER, 32900795, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 7 October 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. Cpl. Presser volunteered to use his vehicle in the evacuation of casualties to rear areas. Though he was constantly exposed to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire, he made many trips through the danger area, often aiding in providing medical treatment for casualties. During the period he was himself painfully wounded, but persisted in his determined efforts. Cpl. Presser's courageous actions, aggressiveness and devotion to the welfare of others reflect much credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade FLOYD R. TAYLOR, 35713468, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 15 March 1945 in the vicinity of Rederscheid, Germany. While leading his litter squad, Sgt. Taylor observed a seriously wounded man lying in an exposed position. Unhesitatingly he made his way to the casualty through withering machine gun fire, administered emergency treatment, and then carried the casualty to a point of safety. Sgt. Taylor's cool conduct and courageous actions saved the life of the wounded man and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

V-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT.

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant

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to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel DONALD R. ROBERTS, 0356509, Medical Corps, United States Army, during the period 12 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from West Virginia.

VI-AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25 WD 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49 WD 1942), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded the following-named officer:

Colonel JOHN G. VAN HOUTEN, 016669, Infantry, United States Army, on 23rd, 25th and 26th of February 1945 in the vicinity of the Roer River. In the face of heavy enemy antiaircraft fire, Colonel Van Houten made several trips of aerial reconnaissance to determine enemy dispositions and possible sites for the crossing of the Roer River. As a result of his thorough reconnaissance, the crossing was accomplished with a minimum number of casualties. Colonel Van Houten's courage, initiative and devotion to duty played a major part in the success of the operations and reflect much credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

VII-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			DATE OF ENTERED WOUND	MIL SV FR
1st Lt. Albert J McKinnon	01313767	Inf	17 Sep 44	Massachusetts

VIII-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			DATE OF ENTERED WOUND	MIL SV FR
Sgt. Bratley Cooper	34872584	Inf(Armd)	6 Jul 44	Mississippi

IX-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS. So much of Section VIII, General Orders No. 41, this headquarters, dated 21 March 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Pfc Harold W Brady, 36882869, is amended to read: "Second Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart".

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LADD:

OFFICIAL:

J. P. HULLEY,  
Colonel, GSC,  
Chief of Staff.

*A. L. Maternick*  
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16 August 1943

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DATE: 14 Aug 1943  
 SUBJECT: [Illegible]  
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174	William T. DeShazo	30073044	11 Jun 1944
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4 September 1952

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Withdrawal of General Orders

TO: Mr. Arthur E. Orieger  
1211 Ninth Street  
Santa Monica, California

1. So much of General Orders 147, Headquarters 9th Infantry Division, dated 16 August 1945, as pertains to the award of the Medical Badge to Corporal Arthur W. Orieger, 33 262 732, is withdrawn.

2. The Medical Badge has been previously awarded to above-named former soldier by War Department Letter Orders 666, dated 18 May 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*H. H. Morgan*  
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1. Confirming verbal orders of the Commanding General 12 August 1945, MAJOR HARRY M. GROSS, 0269864, Quartermaster Corps, Ninth Quartermaster Company, Ninth Infantry Division is announced as Division Quartermaster this Headquarters, vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL FRANK R. HINKLEY, 0272047, Quartermaster Corps reassigned.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LADD:

OFFICIAL:

J. P. HULLEY,  
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AWARD OF SILVER STAR, POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 7D 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded, posthumously, to the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Second Lieutenant CLAUDE B. COOK, 01314448, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 5 August 1944 in the vicinity of Champ de Bout, France. Lt. Cook's company had just attained a bitterly-contended objective when a heavy barrage of enemy tank and machine gun fire falling in the area threatened to disorganize the men. Lt. Cook located the enemy positions and led a patrol forward to destroy the tank with rocket fire. He then neutralized a machine gun emplacement with rifle grenades, forcing the enemy to withdraw, and led his platoon in taking the enemy-held hill. Lt. Cook's courageous action enabled his battalion to resume its advance and reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Alabama.

Technical Sergeant MAX R. GOON, 32001000, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 2 September 1944 in the vicinity of Mesiers, France. Sgt. Dragoon volunteered to lead a combat patrol across a river to reconnoiter enemy positions on the other side. A member of the patrol was blown into the river by a mortar shell, but Sgt. Dragoon promptly dove after him, rescued the man and proceeded with the mission. In the face of the withering enemy fire, he located all enemy positions, enabling his battalion to cross the river with a minimum of casualties, and was attempting to locate another crossing site when killed by sniper fire. His gallantry and courage reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

II-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 7D 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant EMER H. BELLOTTI, 33761789, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 3 April 1945 in the vicinity of Nordenau, Germany. When his assault platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy fire, Sgt. Bellotti crawled forward under the intense fire to obtain important information regarding enemy strength and positions. Returning under the continued fire he discovered two wounded men lying in the danger area and dragged them to a place of safety. His courageous and fearless act saved the lives of his comrades and enabled accurate artillery fire to be placed on the enemy, permitting his unit to resume its advance. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class BENJAMIN KRINITA, 32983743, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. Pfc. Krinita's platoon was riding tanks into the attack when heavy enemy fire knocked out two vehicles and forced the remainder to seek cover. Seeing three tankmen lying injured beside their burning tanks, Pfc. Krinita braved the enemy fire to reach the casualties and bring them to safety. His courageous actions reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class DOMINIC LOMBARDI, 33773238, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 12 October 1944 in the vicinity of Gerneter, Germany.

Pfc. Lombardo was manning a machine gun on the exposed flank of his company when his position was attacked by a strong enemy force. In the face of withering machine gun and small arms fire, he remained at his gun, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy force with sustained and accurate fire until the enemy thrust was repelled. His courageous actions prevented a breach of the entire battalion position and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Lieutenant Colonel HARRY R. PHIPPS, 0282815, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 25 September 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. While in a defensive position, Colonel Phipps' regiment was subjected to repeated vicious enemy onslaughts, supported by mortars and artillery. Despite the increasing intensity of the enemy fire, he unhesitatingly made his way to the command post, skillfully deployed the supporting tanks and men and directed effective counterfire against the enemy installations. Colonel Phipps' inspiring leadership and valiant actions resulted in routing the assaulting forces with severe losses of enemy personnel. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class STEVE J. TONKOVICH, 36668504, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 9 October 1944 in the Hurtgen Forest, Germany. Pfc. Tonkovich's platoon encountered heavy enemy machine gun fire which killed or wounded all but six members of the platoon. In the midst of the intense fire, Pfc. Tonkovich secured a mortar and six rounds of ammunition with which he destroyed the enemy machine gun nest. A strong enemy group then attacked the six survivors, but Pfc. Tonkovich and his companions successfully withstood the enemy assault for over two hours, accounting for thirty three enemy dead and one prisoner. Pfc. Tonkovich's gallantry and courage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Second Lieutenant CHARLES W. WEST, (then Staff Sergeant), 01999834, Infantry, (Armored), United States Army, who distinguished himself on 16 September 1944 in the vicinity of Nausbach, Germany. While engaged in assaulting enemy pillboxes, Lt. West's tank was subjected to the concentrated fire of enemy armored vehicles. Quickly manning his cannon, he directed deadly and accurate fire against the enemy, destroying two of the tanks and forcing the remainder to withdraw. Lt. West's inspiring bravery and courageous actions enabled his unit to successfully take its objective with a minimum of casualties and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM, POSTHUMOUS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL J. MAHONEY, 13132858, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 16 September 1944 in the vicinity of Hoften, Germany. With the leading elements of his unit cut off by fire from an enemy pillbox, Sgt. Mahoney assaulted the pillbox to reestablish contact. Firing his rocket launcher with deadly accuracy, he killed five of the occupants, neutralized the strongpoint, and led the rescued men to their unit without suffering a casualty. Sgt. Mahoney's inspiring leadership and brave actions reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named officers and enlisted men:

Corporal PAUL E. BECK, 35712689, Infantry (Arm), United States Army, who distinguished himself on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Buchhausen, Germany. While in a defensive position, Cpl. Beck's unit was subjected to a violent enemy counterattack supported by tanks. With complete disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to the intense fire, delivering deadly cannon fire against the assaulting enemy and inflicted severe losses among the hostile forces, destroying one antitank gun. Cpl. Beck's aggressiveness and courageous actions were instrumental in repelling the enemy thrust. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class WILFRED H. BURGESS, 42113327, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 21 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. While treating Pfc. Burgess for wounds incurred under enemy artillery, small arms and mortar fire, the aid man was himself seriously wounded. Ignoring his own injuries, Pfc. Burgess carried the medic over 75 yards of open terrain to a place of safety, though he was hit four more times while making the trip. Pfc. Burgess' heroic action and disregard for personal safety reflect the highest traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant MILTON C. CLIPPER, 33134768, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 8 April 1945 in the vicinity of Velmed, Germany. While his platoon was advancing to halt a counterattack, it was met by heavy enemy fire which forced it to halt. Despite the intense fire, Sgt. Clipper exposed himself to direct his squad in covering a gap in the lines and then, seeing one of his comrades fall wounded, went to his aid and carried him to a covered position, though continuously under heavy fire. Sgt. Clipper's courage and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class WILLIAM G. CRAIG, 33423423, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 5 August 1944 in the vicinity of Champ de Bout, France. After delivering vitally needed ammunition to his unit, Pfc. Craig joined in the assault against strongly defended enemy positions. Seeing the men hesitant when ordered to advance, he unhesitatingly leaped to his feet and rushed the enemy through the hail of deadly fire. Inspired by his fearlessness, the men launched a furious onslaught and secured their objective. Pfc. Craig's cool and courageous actions reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant WILLIAM B. CURRAN, 31003277, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Magdesprung, Germany. While storming strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Curran's company encountered intense enemy fire. Seeing a comrade fall seriously wounded, he voluntarily ran to his aid and succeeded in moving him to a place of safety. Sgt. Curran located several aid men and guided them to the casualty during a lull in the shelling. His cool and courageous actions were directly responsible for saving the wounded man's life and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant LORENZO J. FILETTI, 36043873, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Magdesprung, Germany. While storming strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Filetti's company was subjected to intense enemy fire. Attacked by a superior force and the positions untenable, he remained to cover the withdrawal of his unit to more strategic positions, despite the vicious fire unloosed at him. Rejoining his squad, Sgt. Filetti fearlessly led his men in an attack, routed the enemy and secured the objective. His cool and courageous actions reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class WARREN D. FOWLER, 42006044, Medical Detachment, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 26 August 1944 in the vicinity of Melun, France. While crossing exposed terrain, one of the men in Pfc. Fowler's company was seriously wounded by enemy fire. Under enemy observation and fire, he ran forward and administered aid to the casualty, then obtained an abandoned enemy horse-drawn ambulance and evacuated the wounded. Pfc. Fowler's courageous and prompt actions reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant LEROY B. FREY, 36209578, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 21 March 1945 in the vicinity of Heide, Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Sgt. Frey unhesitatingly advanced on the enemy emplacements, inspiring his men to follow. Though wounded, he continued to lead the assault, and played a major part in eliminating the enemy strongpoints, enabling his company to continue its advance. Sgt. Frey's courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Private First Class SIDNEY GINSBERG, 32098889, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 14 October 1944 in the vicinity of Germetel, Germany. When his platoon was met by heavy enemy fire from the front and flanks, Pfc. Ginsberg exposed himself to the dangerous fire to bring up friendly tanks and direct their fire with effective results. Observing a comrade fall wounded, Pfc. Ginsberg further exposed himself to render medical aid. His courageous actions inspired his comrades and reflect credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant CLIFTON G. GOODGAME, (then Staff Sergeant), 39902031, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 4 April 1945 in the vicinity of Oberkirchen, Germany. Counterattacking enemy forces had pushed to a crossroads in the center of the town when Sgt. Goodgame on his own initiative, moved his machine guns to a position overlooking the crossroads. There, despite heavy tank and artillery fire, he directed sustained and accurate return fire on the enemy, inflicting many casualties and forcing them to withdraw. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Nevada.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD B. HALL, 33548128, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harsgerode, Germany. Leading his squad in an attack on a farm house, Sgt. Hall encountered enemy tank and small arms fire. He directed accurate artillery fire on the tank and simultaneously killed members of a small patrol attempting to intercept him. Then, skillfully directing the fire of his squad, he eliminated a larger enemy force, killing six and capturing eight and securing his objective. Sgt. Hall's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Corporal ROBERT T. HAVEN, 37476295, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 5 September 1944 in the vicinity of Iresemount, Belgium. Cpl. Haven was a member of an antitank crew attempting to set up its guns when heavy enemy fire inflicted a number of casualties upon his comrades. Remaining under the intense artillery and mortar fire without regard for personal safety, Cpl. Haven administered first aid to the wounded and aided them to safety. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class WILLIAM P. HINTZ, 36830003, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Victorshoe, Germany. In the face of intense enemy rocket, machine gun and small arms fire, Pfc. Hintz mounted a supporting tank to direct its fire on strong enemy positions. Though once knocked off the tank by enemy rocket fire, he remained in the precarious position and contributed materially to the success of the operations and the capture of sixty enemy. Pfc. Hintz's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Corporal RAYMOND P. KETTL, 33574756, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 5 September 1944 in the vicinity of Iresemount, Belgium. Learning that one of his comrades was missing, Cpl. Kettl voluntarily exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to locate him. Upon finding the man fatally wounded, he returned to his unit and assisted in removing the casualties to rear areas. Cpl. Kettl's devotion to duty and courageous actions displayed during his mission reflect the high traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class EARL LANDERS, 34935696, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 29 March 1945 in the vicinity of Weissenfels, Germany. Pfc. Landers was conducting two prisoners to the rear when he was fired on by concealed enemy. Although completely outnumbered, he returned the fire with that of his pistol and after a brief exchange, forced a total of fifteen enemy to surrender. Pfc. Landers' courage and disregard for personal safety reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Private First Class EDWARD B. McLAUGHLIN, 39578826, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of Schmidt, Germany. Pfc. McLaughlin's company was advancing against strong enemy positions when it was subjected to intense artillery, mortar and small arms fire and further threatened by an enemy tank to its front. Pfc. McLaughlin moved through the heavy fire to engage the tank with a rocket launcher. His accurate fire forced the tank to withdraw and removed a major obstacle to his company's advance. Pfc. McLaughlin's courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class WILLARD McCLUNE, 39417142, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of Zweifall, Germany. During a fierce counterattack, the hostile elements succeeded in piercing the defenses with a machine gun which threatened the unit's positions. Unhesitatingly, Pfc. McClune rushed the enemy emplacement in the face of withering machine gun fire. Although wounded, he kept advancing, firing with deadly effect and succeeded neutralizing the gun position. Pfc. McClune's cool and courageous actions enabled his unit to repulse the enemy thrust and reflect high credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.



Private First Class GLIFFORD E. McPHERSON, 39619455, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Magdesprung, Germany. Under heavy enemy artillery fire Pfc. McPherson and his wire crew laid vital communication lines to a forward company. Using salvaged wire when their supply was exhausted, the crew resumed its mission, though on two occasions enemy infantrymen attacked the party. McPherson killed the enemy soldiers and enabled his comrades to complete their task and establish the badly needed communication. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Montana.

Private First Class M. NUSL R. MARTIN, 33486205, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany. Pfc. Martin was treating a wounded man in a barn under enemy fire when an enemy shell set the shelter ablaze. Despite the flames, Pfc. Martin remained with the casualty and supervised his evacuation. When a member of the litter party was wounded by sniper fire, Pfc. Martin returned through the dangerous area and though under enemy observation and fire, aided in removing the second casualty. Pfc. Martin's courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade CEBY R. MOLE, 34842626, Infantry (Armored), United States Army, who distinguished himself on 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. With the advance of assaulting Armored and Infantry elements arrested by an enemy road block, Cpl. Mole unhesitatingly maneuvered his tank into an advantageous position to provide effective covering fire for the men removing the road block. Despite the intense fire directed at his position, he remained at his post thereby enabling the road block to be cleared away and the units to resume their advance. Cpl. Mole's aggressive and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of the operations against the enemy. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Private First Class ALFRED A. MUNROE, 17119681, Infantry, United States Army who distinguished himself on 13 December 1944 in the vicinity of Hoven, Germany. Advancing as radio operator and observer with assault infantry elements, Pfc. Munroe braved intense enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire to reach a vantage point from which he could direct effective fire on enemy troops and installations. His constant control of fire was materially responsible for neutralizing several enemy positions and enabling our troops to clear a large portion of the town. On one occasion he left his post to aid three casualties and help them to cover. His courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Kansas.

Private First Class WILLIAM L. NEELY, 33400284, Infantry (Armored), United States Army, who distinguished himself on 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. During an assault against enemy positions by elements of the Infantry, the attack was halted by a heavily defended road block. With complete disregard for his safety, Pfc. Neely manned his cannon, delivering accurate and deadly fire against the enemy, thereby enabling the road block to be cleared away which permitted the Infantry to resume their advance. Pfc. Neely's inspiring and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of the operations against the enemy. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant HOWARD W. PHILLIPS, 12045089, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 25 March 1945 in the vicinity of Neustadt, Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire, Sgt. Phillips assisted the bazooka man in eliminating a machine gun emplacement to the front and then, as his companion was wounded, took over the bazooka and accurately fired at another emplacement on the flank. The enemy crew attempted to flee, but Sgt. Phillips rushed forward and, with accurate rifle fire, forced seven enemy to surrender. His courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

First Lieutenant WILLIAM P. POWLESS, 01304266, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 5 February 1945 in the vicinity of Dreibern, Germany. When his platoon was pinned down by enemy machine gun fire, Lt. Powless went forward under the intense fire to locate the enemy guns. Returning, he led his men in an attack on the enemy's flank which resulted in the annihilation of the enemy without a casualty to his platoon, and enabled his men to continue their advance toward their objective. Lt. Powless' courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Private First Class DONALD J. SAMUELSON, 37683474, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 17 April 1945 in the vicinity of Harzgerode, Germany. With his unit's advance halted by intense enemy fire, Pfc. Samuelson and another man moved to assault the hostile force. Discovered by the enemy, they rushed the enemy, firing with deadly accuracy as they ran. Completely disorganized

by the fury of the onslaught, the enemy surrendered and his unit was able to move forward. Pfc. Samuelson's aggressive and courageous actions enabled his unit to take its objective and reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Iowa.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD C. UPNER, 35048676, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 15 January 1945 in the vicinity of Konzen, Germany. While moving forward with his unit, Sgt. Upner observed a vehicle detonate a mine which seriously wounded a number of men. With complete disregard for personal safety, he rushed through the mine field to the aid of the wounded, administered medical treatment and then evacuated the casualties to a place of safety. Sgt. Upner's exemplary and courageous actions reflect credit on himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class MURRAY Y. WALKER, 34973271, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bruchhausen, Germany. Pfc. Walker, a cook, volunteered to go forward to assist in repelling an enemy attack. When an enemy tank began laying heavy machine gun fire on his platoon, Pfc. Walker secured a discarded panzerfaust, advanced through the heavy barrage to a good position and fired at the tank, killing all the occupants. His courageous actions removed a major danger to his platoon and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

First Lieutenant MILTON L. WIND, 01318601, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 26 March 1945 in the vicinity of Horhausen, Germany. Suddenly subjected to intense fire while assaulting enemy positions, Lt. Wind quickly established a base of fire and led the remainder of his platoon in a frontal attack. Routing the enemy, he proceeded to engage remnants of the hostile force in bitter house to house fighting, despite the fact that he was suffering from a wound, until all resistance was crushed. Lt. Wind's inspiring and valiant actions resulted in securing an important objective with a minimum of casualties. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant GALVIN W. WOODS, 35654316, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself on 6 October 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany. Sgt. Woods' company was advancing through wooded terrain when it encountered heavy enemy fire and was forced to halt. Seeing a comrade fall wounded, he crawled through the intense fire to bring him to safety, then led his squad in a flanking movement which eliminated the enemy resistance and enabled his company to continue its advance. Sgt. Wood's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

WARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9119, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded the following-named officers and enlisted men:

First Sergeant HARVEY J. BIXLER, 34245861, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Staff Sergeant FREDERICK A. BROWN, 32559373, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant MICHAEL CALIENDO, 32326731, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. CAMPBELL, 34450504, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant EVERETT L. CLARK, 34400416, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Florida.

Captain IRVING FIRSTMAN, 01042808, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant FRANCIS J. GALLAGHER, 01057069, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

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Private JACK GRIFFITH, 35596366, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

First Lieutenant WILL S. JOHNSTON, 01050762, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Captain GEORGE R. KOONS JR., 01042337, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH A. KUZMA, 01046163, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Chief Warrant Officer HOWARD C. LINDEMAN, W2110088, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Maryland.

First Lieutenant ARTHUR T. McCULLOUGH, 01048491, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT A. MOORE, 34450594, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Captain GAYLE W. SHEARER, 0485959, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fourth Grade RICHARD W. SHOVE, 39553267, Medical Department, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from California.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM G. SOUTHERN, 34430127, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Major CLARENCE M. SWEARINGEN, 01041923, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant WILLARD G. WHITE, 34450592, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant KERMIT R. WHITESIDE, 34430385, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from North Carolina.

VI-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul 8 WD 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Private ELMER D. LOHR, 33892740, Infantry (Armored), United States Army, who distinguished himself on 2 June 1945 in the vicinity of Ingolstadt, Germany. While swimming in a lake, one of the members of the party dived from the boat, struck his head against an ear and at the same time developed a cramp. Hearing a warning cry from shore, Pvt. Lohr unhesitatingly leaped into the water, swam to the drowning man and kept him afloat until rescued by a boat. Pvt. Lohr's inspiring exhibition and brave actions saved the life of the man, reflecting high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

VII-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

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Pvt Jerome S Hyman

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1st Lt. Joseph E. Chapman 01018773 Inf (Armd) 8 Aug 44 California

VIII-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

GERMANY

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Y/Sgt Walter J Morris 35606235 Inf

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1. LIEUTENANT COLONEL ALFRED W. CROLL, 0285571, Adjutant General's Department, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division is announced as Adjutant General this Headquarters, vice MAJOR GEORGE L. MATERNWICZ, 02054015, Adjutant General's Department, relieved.

2. SECOND LIEUTENANT LEWIS L. LEAVELL, JR., 02028834, Infantry, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division is announced as Aide to BRIGADIER GENERAL JESSE A. LADD, 03098, United States Army, vice SECOND LIEUTENANT DONALD L. EVANS, 02008321, Medical Administrative Corps, relieved, effective 22 August 1945.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LADD:

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Under the provisions of paragraph 5a(2)b, Army Regulations 605-145, dated 6 May 1943, as amended, MAJOR FRANKLIN G. ALLEN, O1578102, General Staff Corps, (Quartermaster Corps) is relieved from detail in the General Staff Corps, effective 29 August 1945.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LDD:

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I-AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub 43 71D 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded, posthumously, to the following-named enlisted man:

Private First Class MANNIS KELLY JR., 42065664, Infantry, United States Army. On 2 April 1945, as Pfc. Kelly's company was attacking near Hohelcye, Germany, it came under heavy and accurate artillery fire and was further threatened by an enemy self-propelled gun on its flank. Pfc. Kelly fearlessly left his position of cover and advanced toward the enemy vehicle, opening fire upon it with his rocket launcher and scoring a direct hit. As he was about to fire again, he was killed by enemy machine gun fire, but his gallant action removed a serious threat to his comrades. His courage and initiative reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

II-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub 43 71D 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant HAROLD J. BURNS, 01294264, Infantry, United States Army. On 15 April 1945, Lt. Burns voluntarily went forward on reconnaissance near Harsgerode, Germany. After adding a mortar observer to set up an observation post, he continued on and located an enemy outpost which he boldly assaulted, returning the enemy's fire with that of his pistol. Lt. Burns' gallant and fearless action enabled the assaulting platoon to reach the position without casualties, accounted for several enemy killed or captured and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant J. B. HOBLEY, 3497201, Infantry, United States Army. On 15 October 1944, near Garmeter, Germany, Sgt. Hobley's platoon was pinned down by heavy enemy mortar, artillery and machine gun fire which caused several casualties. Determined to neutralize the enemy machine gun, Sgt. Hobley skillfully maneuvered one squad into position to give covering fire while he continued forward. Rushing the emplacement with hand grenades, he killed three of the crew and routed the others, enabling his platoon to resume its advance. His courage and aggressiveness reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Mexico.

Technician Third Grade WILLIAM M. SAWYER, 38552244, (Then Technician Fifth Grade), Medical Department, United States Army. On 27 July 1944, in the vicinity of El Mesnil-Bury, France, the company to which Sgt. Sawyer was attached as aid man came under heavy artillery and mortar fire. Sgt. Sawyer exposed himself to the intense fire to aid a seriously wounded comrade and remove him to a shell crater for safety. Although wounded himself while going for a litter, he unhesitatingly obtained the litter and returned to evacuate the casualty. His courage and determination reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class EMIL PEREGRIN, 42100325, Infantry, United States Army. On 9 February 1945, Pfc. Peregrin's company was advancing toward Schmidt, Germany, when it was suddenly attacked by a strong enemy force supported by heavy artillery and tank fire. While directing his section's mortar fire, Pfc. Peregrin saw that

a machine gun was unmanned and promptly took it over, delivering a heavy volume of fire on the enemy until relieved. He then led his men in an attack which accounted for several enemy snipers and a machine gun nest. His courage and aggressiveness reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

III-AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded, posthumously, to the following-named enlisted men:

Private First Class M. RVIN KURTZBERG, 42043730, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 March 1945, Pfc. Kurtzberg was a member of a combat patrol clearing the enemy from the vicinity of Hinkenbach, Germany. The patrol came under heavy enemy fire which pinned it down. Disregarding personal safety, Pfc. Kurtzberg advanced through the withering fire and swept the area with fire from his automatic rifle. The rest of the patrol was thus enabled to advance and clear several houses. Pfc. Kurtzberg's courage and aggressiveness reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant HERBERT R. TREUTING JR., 0526262, Infantry, United States Army. While advancing against Ginnick, Germany on the night of 1 March 1945, Lt. Treuting's platoon encountered heavy machine gun, small arms and tank fire which forced it to halt. Lt. Treuting fearlessly worked his way forward to locate the enemy positions and then returned to lead his platoon in an assault which neutralized the enemy strongpoint and resulted in many enemy being killed or taken prisoner. Lt. Treuting's courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant THOMAS J. HARRON, (then Private First Class), 33469039, Infantry, United States Army. On 28 February 1945 near Thum, Germany, Sgt. Harron's company was counterattacked by a strong enemy force and compelled to expend most of its ammunition to repel the thrust. Sgt. Harron volunteered to take a truck for more ammunition, despite the fact that he had to traverse areas under concentrated enemy mortar and artillery fire. Despite enemy fire close to him, he succeeded in loading the vitally-needed ammunition and distributing it to his company. Sgt. Harron's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal JOSEPH D. FRIED, 32900883, Infantry, United States Army. On 12 October 1945, while advancing through a heavily wooded area near Germeter, Germany, Cpl. Fried's battalion suffered heavy casualties. A member of Headquarters Company, Cpl. Fried volunteered his services as litter bearer and for two days made repeated trips to forward areas under enemy artillery and small arms fire to evacuate casualties. His courageous and unselfish actions resulted in the saving of many lives and reflect credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND T. DALE, 37738623, Infantry, United States Army. On 3 April 1945, Sgt. Dale's platoon, attacking in the vicinity of Oberkirchen, Germany, was subjected to heavy machine gun fire from a cave and forced to halt. Sgt. Dale and another man made their way forward through the fire and boldly assaulted the position with hand grenades. Sgt. Dale's courageous and aggressive action silenced the enemy gun, accounted for two enemy dead and four captured, and reflects credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Missouri.

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. HENNECK, 35624461, Infantry, United States Army. On 14 April 1945, Sgt. Hennick was acting as lead scout of a group clearing Strassberg, Germany, of scattered resistance. When his party was suddenly fired upon by an



enemy patrol occupying high ground, Sgt. Hennick quickly deployed his men and moved through open terrain to flank the hostile position. In a sharp exchange of fire, he killed three enemy, forced the rest to flee, and allowed his platoon to continue its advance. His courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant TILBUR E. STOUGH JR., (then Private First Class), 33515352, Infantry, United States Army. On 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bruchhausen, Germany, Sgt. Stough's machine gun positions were attacked by a strong enemy force advancing after a heavy artillery and mortar barrage. Sgt. Stough braved the intense fire to reorganize two squads and direct a highly effective concentration of fire on the enemy force, causing them to withdraw with many casualties. Sgt. Stough's courage, initiative and devotion to duty reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant LEONARD O. WAYSON, 6824472, Infantry, United States Army. On 3 April 1945 in the vicinity of Oberkirchen, Germany, Sgt. Wayson's platoon was halted by fire from a machine gun emplaced in a cave. Sgt. Wayson and another man made their way forward under the heavy fire to a position near the enemy gun where Sgt. Wayson exposed himself in order to hurl grenades into the emplacement. As a result of his courageous and aggressive action, the enemy gun was silenced and his platoon enabled to resume its advance. Entered military service from Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade LINDALL E. MARTENS, 37295790, Medical Department, United States Army. On 10 March 1945, Cpl. Martens' platoon was preparing to advance in the vicinity of Ohlenberg, Germany when an enemy artillery barrage was directed at the house in which the men had taken cover. Cpl. Martens immediately went to the aid of three seriously wounded men and, despite the continuing fire, calmly administered first aid. He then made three trips under enemy observation and fire to carry the wounded to a place of safety. His courageous and fearlessness reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from South Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM C. OTTO, 36876100, Infantry, United States Army. On 14 October 1944 in the vicinity of Germeter, Germany, Cpl. Otto's company was halted in its advance by heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire. Cpl. Otto, a wireman, made repeated trips through the interdicted area in order to maintain a vital communication line. On one trip he braved the intense fire to render medical aid to a wounded comrade and carry him over 400 yards of shell-swept terrain to a position from which the casualty could be removed. His courage reflects credit on the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class FRANK L. ASHWORTH, 34949382, Infantry, United States Army. On 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bruchhausen, Germany, Pfc. Ashworth was a lead scout of a platoon which was suddenly pinned down by heavy enemy anti-aircraft and machine gun fire. Pfc. Ashworth exposed himself to the heavy fire to attain commanding ground from which he could direct the platoon to covered positions and locate the enemy emplacements. As a result, artillery fire was able to neutralize the enemy guns and his unit enabled to resume its advance. Pfc. Ashworth's courageous action reflects credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Georgia.

Private First Class FRANK N. CICCHINO, 32564954, Infantry, United States Army. On 26 November 1944 in the vicinity of Frenzerberg, Germany, Pfc. Cicchino's platoon was temporarily halted by artillery, machine gun and sniper fire. Disregarding the intense fire, Pfc. Cicchino fearlessly advanced 200 yards to the flank, killing three snipers and wiping out the crew of the machine gun. His courageous action enabled his platoon to continue its advance and reflects high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class PAUL W. CLEMENTS, 34926512, Infantry, United States Army. While attacking in the vicinity of Levenich, Germany on 3 March 1945, Pfc. Clements' company was subjected to heavy enemy fire. Seeing that the supporting platoon was unable to move, Pfc. Clements maneuvered his squad to a new position to place effective fire on the enemy positions, enabling the platoon to advance. Later he again exposed himself to enemy fire to direct artillery fire against a counter-attacking enemy until he was wounded. Pfc. Clements' courage and aggressiveness reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Private First Class MANUEL DE LA ROSA, 38678687, Infantry, United States Army. During a heavy enemy mortar and small arms barrage on 3 April 1945 in the vicinity of Oberkirchen, Germany, Pfc. De La Rosa discovered a comrade lying wounded in a field covered by the hostile fire. Disregarding his own safety, he left his cover

position to reach the casualty and administer medical aid. Removing the man to the shelter of a nearby shell-hole, Pfc. De La Rosa then secured litter bearers and aided in his comrade's evacuation. Pfc. De La Rosa's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class ARTHUR C FEGAN, 31370862, Infantry, United States Army. On 27 November 1944 in the vicinity of Weisweiler, Germany, Pfc Fegan's platoon was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and small arms fire, which halted its advance and inflicted numerous casualties. Pfc. Fegan unhesitatingly exposed himself to the intense fire to make radio contact with the commanding officer and secure aid, refusing to take cover until certain that help was forthcoming. Pfc. Fegan's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class FELIX M G GUERRA, 38459973, Medical Department, United States Army. In the vicinity of Katterherberg, Germany on 15 January 1945, Pfc. Guerra moved into an area under enemy observation and fire to answer a call for medical aid. Working his way through deep snow, he was able to reach the casualty despite heavy enemy mortar fire and administer first aid, he then exposed himself to the enemy once more to bring the casualty to a position from which he could be safely evacuated. Pfc. Guerra's courage and determination reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class EDWARD V RUBIN, 35775739, Infantry, United States Army. On 2 March 1945, Pfc. Rubin's antitank gun crew was moving into position near Revenich, Germany, when direct enemy fire hit their half-track, wounding seven men, including Pfc. Rubin. Despite the continuing fire, Pfc. Rubin remained in his hazardous position, rendered first aid to his comrades and helped remove them to a place of safety before allowing himself to be treated. Pfc. Rubin's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Technical Sergeant ROBERT G PYNE, 31002007, Infantry, United States Army. On 17 April 1945 Sgt. Pyne's company was advancing in the vicinity of Madgesprung, Germany, when it was halted by a heavy concentration of enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Disregarding the heavy fire, Sgt. Pyne worked his way well forward to direct effective mortar fire on the enemy positions. His courageous and aggressive action resulted in the destruction of the enemy emplacement, enabled his company to resume the advance and reflects credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Staff Sergeant ERNEST R LITTLE, 39917352, Infantry, United States Army. On 3 January 1945 Sgt Little's platoon was attacking near Konzen, Germany, when it was halted by heavy enemy small arms fire which disrupted all communications. Sgt. Little made his way forward through the withering fire to reestablish contact with lead elements and, when ordered to withdraw, again exposed himself to observation and fire to reconnoiter a route of withdrawal, remaining behind to cover the movement. Sgt. Little's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Utah.

Private First Class ZAVEN KALAJIAN, 36866527, Infantry, United States Army. On 6 March 1945 in the vicinity of Volmershoven, Germany, Pfc. Kalajian's company was advancing down a highway when it came under heavy tank fire, which caused several casualties and caused his comrades to seek shelter. Pfc. Kalajian left his position to render aid to the casualties and then, setting up his radio, directed artillery fire which forced the hostile tanks to withdraw. Pfc. Kalajian's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class FRANK S WOLD, 35542078, Infantry, United States Army. On 9 April 1945 Pfc Wold's platoon was attacking in the vicinity of Altenilpe, Germany, when it was subjected to heavy enemy fire which caused casualties and forced it to halt. Pfc. Wold left his covered position to dash across the open, fire-swept terrain and reach two wounded comrades. After giving them medical aid, he made two trips through the danger area to evacuate the men. His courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Ohio.

Second Lieutenant THOMAS J HAYDEN, 01018512, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. On 15 September 1944, Infantry elements attacking in the vicinity of Monschau, Germany, were halted by heavy enemy tank and small arms fire. With a volunteer crew, Lt. Hayden took his tank forward at high speed, pouring a heavy volume of fire upon the enemy positions and forcing the hostile tank and Infantry to withdraw. Lt. Hayden's aggressive leadership, courage and devotion to duty

reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant ARTHUR BLANCHETTE, 31349611, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. During the attack on Friedricksbrunn, Germany on 18 April 1945, Infantry elements were halted by heavy enemy antiaircraft gun and small arms fire. Sgt. Blanchette immediately led his supporting tank forward to attack the enemy positions, directing the fire of his guns so effectively that the enemy were forced to withdraw. Sgt. Blanchette's courageous action enabled the Infantry to resume the advance and led to the capture of several hundred enemy, reflecting high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade CLARENCE F. BRYANT, 38198164, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. On 16 September 1944, Infantry elements advancing toward Hofen, Germany, were halted by an enemy tank and Infantry emplaced on a hill. As it was impossible for tanks to maneuver right or left, Sgt. Bryant volunteered to drive his tank at high speed over the crest of the hill, firing as he moved forward. Though met with intense enemy fire, he successfully accomplished his mission and forced the enemy to withdraw. Sgt. Bryant's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Corporal GLENDON H. RECORD, 31308794, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. On 10 October 1944 in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany, Cpl. Record was given the mission of protecting Infantry and Engineer elements engaged in removing a road block. He was constantly subjected to heavy enemy artillery, mortar and small arms fire, but fearlessly remained in his exposed position, pouring a heavy volume of return fire on enemy positions. Cpl. Record's courage and devotion to duty enabled his comrades to remove the road block and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maine.

Private RAYMOND E. HAGLUND, 37551848, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. While in defensive positions near Lamersdorf, Germany on 25 September 1944, Pvt. Haglund's tank platoon was suddenly attacked by a strong enemy force. In attempting to mount his tank, Pvt. Haglund was severely wounded by the heavy enemy fire, but determinedly drove his tank forward, enabling his gunner to fire upon the enemy and help repel the surprise attack. Pvt. Haglund's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Minnesota.

V-LEAF OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class GEORGE H. CAMANN, 32934446, Infantry, United States Army. On 22 June 1944, Pfc. Camann's platoon was engaged in clearing the enemy from Mount Eroch, France, when one squad was gashed by a well emplaced enemy machine gun. Without regard for personal safety, Pfc. Camann worked his way to an exposed forward position where, despite the hail of fire directed at him, he distracted enemy attention and allowed his squad to maneuver to better positions and force the enemy to withdraw. Pfc. Camann's courage and initiative reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

VI-LEAF OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded the following named officer:

Major FRANK [REDACTED], United States Army, during the period 27 January 1945 [REDACTED]. Entered military service from Maryland.

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	DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
		New York
		Pennsylvania
		Illinois

S Sgt Wendell C. Grim 38396706 Inf 4 Jan 45 Oklahoma

GERMANY

Capt CARROLL J CLARK	01697708	MC	7 Oct 44	Wisconsin
T Sgt Gerald C Liebel	42023289	Inf	23 Sep 44	New York
S Sgt William D Parkhouse	33800467	Inf	20 Oct 44	Pennsylvania
Tec 3 Thomas E Federico	32865544	MD	29 Nov 44	New York
Tec 5 Gene A Floyd	34684163	Inf	7 Apr 45	Georgia
Tec 5 James K Meade	33521328	Inf	7 Apr 45	Virginia
Pfc Lynne H Carr	31320620	Inf	10 Oct 44	North Dakota
Pfc Nelson O Rice	35625678	Inf	26 Mar 45	Ohio
Pfc Joe O Salas	39578889	Inf	26 Feb 45	Arizona
Pfc John Schilling	37359570	Inf	28 Feb 45	Wyoming
Pfc Charles E Stikeleather	34898680	Inf	14 Sep 44	North Carolina
Tec 5 Albert F Melendres	39288622	Inf	7 Mar 45	California

VIII--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

		DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
S Sgt Peter P Anthony	37282187	Inf (Armd)	6 Jul 44 Minnesota

GERMANY

Pvt Leo P Calabrese	33845346	Inf	14 Mar 45 Pennsylvania
T Sgt Elmer H Bellotti	33761789	Inf	6 Oct 44 Pennsylvania
Tec 5 Albert F Melendres	39288622	Inf	30 Mar 45 California
Pfc Alvir J Heiser	37448113	Inf	15 Dec 44 Nebraska
Tec 5 Joseph B Huckabee	38332930	Inf (Armd)	12 Dec 44 Arkansas

IX--AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

		DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
T Sgt Dallas D Vickery	36695309	Inf	31 Aug 44 Illinois

GERMANY

Tec 5 Henry H Dodd	34886562	MD	5 Feb 45 Tennessee
Pfc John W O'Connell	36869472	MD	16 Apr 45 Michigan
T Sgt Elmer H Bellotti	33761789	Inf	3 Jan 45 Pennsylvania
Pfc Ralph G W Greenwold	42031316	Inf	18 Apr 45 New York

X--REVOCATION OF ORDERS. So much of Section VIII, General Orders #63, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, dated 11 May 1945 as pertains to the award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal to Major FRANK B. MADE, 0347094, Infantry, United States Army, is revoked.

GO 154 HQ 9 Inf Div APO 9, 1 Sept 45, cont'd.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LADD:

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ORIGINAL ORDER # 226

4 September 1945

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AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART - - - - -	V

I-AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 7D 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant PRODUS FLEMING, 34892696, Infantry, United States Army. On 1 April 1945 in the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany, Sgt. Fleming's company was temporarily halted by heavy enemy fire from its front. Sgt. Fleming was charged with the mission of determining enemy strength on the flank and advanced deep into enemy territory. Returning, he encountered an enemy patrol but fought his way through with information which enabled accurate mortar fire to be placed on enemy positions and aided his company in resuming its advance. His courage and aggressiveness reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Sergeant PAUL R GRASHEL, 35411460, Infantry, United States Army. On 1 April 1945, while advancing toward Winterberg, Germany, Sgt. Grashel's mortar section came under heavy enemy fire. Sgt. Grashel immediately regrouped his men, directed them to covered positions, and returned to the fire-swept area to help several casualties to safety. He then reconnoitered another route of advance and led his men forward in the successful completion of their support mission. Sgt. Grashel's courage, ability and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Sergeant SAVERIO P PASCALE, 32701711, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Germeter, Germany, on 12 October 1944, Sgt. Pascale's platoon was sent out to set up a protective line around the command post. A hard-fighting enemy group succeeded in infiltrating forward positions and injuring the platoon leader. Sgt. Pascale assumed command of the platoon and, continuously exposing himself to the heavy enemy fire, skillfully deployed his men and directed their fire to repel the savage attack. Sgt. Pascale's courage, aggressiveness and determination reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant WILMORE L SOMERS, 33563031, Infantry, United States Army. On 5 April 1945, while his platoon was engaged in mopping-up operations in Silbach, Germany, Sgt. Somers observed an enemy tank approaching. A bazooka team was sent out to engage the tank, but was unable to cross the street because of grazing enemy machine gun fire. Unhesitatingly, Sgt. Somers stepped into the exposed area and opened fire on the enemy, distracting their attention so the bazooka team could gain a favorable position. As a result of his courageous action, the enemy tank was knocked out and his platoon enabled to continue its mission. Entered military service from Maryland.

Sergeant WILLIAM A STEVENS JR., 33653325, Infantry, United States Army. In the vicinity of Winterberg, Germany, on 5 April 1945, Sgt. Stevens was given the mission of clearing a wooded area of enemy. Moving ahead of his squad, he became the target of intense enemy fire, but fearlessly remained exposed to direct his men in an audacious assault which overwhelmed the enemy force, cleared an important piece of terrain and resulted in the capture of seventeen prisoners. Sgt. Stevens' courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from Virginia.

Corporal BOYD L ALLEN JR., 32734522, Infantry, United States Army. On 8 April 1945 in the vicinity of Gillinghosen, Germany, Cpl. Allen's company was temporarily halted by heavy enemy machine gun and small arms fire. Cpl. Allen led his squad across a ravine to a position close to a machine gun, then assaulted the emplacement with grenades and rifle fire, killing the crew. Placing effective fire on the remainder of the enemy, he enabled the remainder of his company to advance and capture its objective. Cpl. Allen's courage and initiative reflect

credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Corporal ROBERT N. BEAUCHAMP, 12152399, Infantry, United States Army. On 20 April 1945, while his company was engaged in mopping-up operations in Stecklenberg, Germany, small arms fire from outlying woods caused casualties and impeded the progress of the operation. Cpl. Beauchamp accompanied a patrol to search the woods and though separated from his comrades, continued searching alone. Taking one prisoner, Cpl. Beauchamp was told of a large enemy force hidden nearby and, upon being guided to it by his captive, persuaded the group of sixty men to surrender. Cpl. Beauchamp's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class ALPHONSE R. GOUZIE, 31220304, Infantry, United States Army. On the night of 27 February 1945, in the vicinity of Thum, Germany, Pfc. Gouzie twice ventured into an area subject to intense enemy mortar and small arms fire to locate and repair the breaks in a vital communication line. His fearless action in the face of danger, maintained communications of utmost importance in a battalion attack and reflect the high traditions of the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Maine.

Private First Class JOHN KOPTCHAK, 42070492, Medical Department, United States Army. On 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Kalenborn, Germany, Pfc. Koptchak's company was clearing a wooded area when it was suddenly subjected to intense enemy tank and machine gun fire which caused several casualties. Pfc. Koptchak, a medical aid man, refused to seek cover and, despite the continuing fire, moved through the danger area giving effective medical treatment to the wounded and directing their evacuation though he was himself wounded. His courage, determination and devotion to duty reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class GORDON L. SMITH, 34602010, Infantry, United States Army. On 19 April 1945, Pfc. Smith's platoon was establishing a road block near Stecklenberg, Germany, when it was subjected to heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire which forced the men to take cover. Pfc. Smith left his covered position to work his way forward and observe the enemy positions. Returning to his unit he directed artillery fire which effectively neutralized the enemy guns and enabled his platoon to continue its mission. His courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and his organization. Entered military service from North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant KLEBER K. STOCKFORD, 36569675, Infantry, United States Army. On 18 March 1945, when an enemy tank destroyer halted Infantry elements attacking toward Strodt, Germany, Sgt. Stockford immediately braved the enemy fire to direct mortar fire upon the enemy vehicle. From an exposed position he placed effective fire on the enemy, forcing it to attempt a withdrawal, and continued his task until the destroyer was completely disabled. Sgt. Stockford's courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty removed a major threat to the advance of friendly Infantry and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class CLAUDE E. BOHENNA, 36457023, Infantry, United States Army. When an enemy patrol attempted to attack his mortar platoon in the vicinity of Siptenfeld, Germany, on 18 April 1945, Pfc. Bohenna gained an exposed position and engaged the hostile group. With complete disregard for personal safety, he continued to fire until knocked unconscious by an enemy infantryman. His courageous action alerted members of his platoon and enabled them to complete an important fire mission before repelling the enemy thrust. Pfc. Bohenna's courage and devotion to duty reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class FREDERICK F. DE AUGUSTINIS, 31445557, Infantry, United States Army. On 18 April 1945, in the vicinity of Siptenfeld, Germany, a large enemy patrol attempted to use a friendly vehicle to escape from Pfc. De Augustinis' unit, but Pfc. De Augustinis immediately directed such heavy fire upon the group that it was forced to abandon the vehicle. Overcoming the driver in a hand-to-hand struggle, Pfc. De Augustinis then drove the vehicle through intense fire to a place of safety. His courageous action prevented the escape of the German force, and saved a valuable piece of Army equipment, reflecting credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class ROBERT J. MACKIN JR., 11092367, Infantry, United States Army. While his company was attacking in the vicinity of Magdesprung, Germany, on 18 April 1945, it was suddenly caught in enemy machine gun fire which inflicted some casualties. Pfc. Mackin made his way through the hail of enemy fire to render aid to two wounded comrades and evacuate them to safety. Later, he discovered another man, dazed and suffering from shock, and again braved the intense fire to bring him to safety. Pfc. Mackin's courage and devotion to his comrades reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

Private First Class FRANCIS S MARTIN, 31467330, Infantry, United States Army. While engaged in house-to-house fighting in Lorscheid, Germany on 14 March 1945, Pfc. Martin's platoon was threatened with a counterattack by an enemy tank-infantry group. Realizing the danger of capture, Pfc. Martin remained in an exposed position to place heavy machine gun fire on the enemy. Throughout the night and the following morning, he inflicted such heavy losses on the enemy that they were unable to overrun his platoon. His courage, aggressiveness and devotion to duty reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Rhode Island.

Private First Class WARREN H REYNOLDS, 32748622, Infantry, United States Army. On seeing an enemy column moving into the town of Konzen, Germany, on 20 January 1945, Pfc. Reynolds set up a captured enemy 120 mm mortar and proceeded to place fire on the town at a maximum range of 6600 yards. Exposing himself to intense enemy fire in order to direct the fire of his mortar, he succeeded in inflicting heavy casualties and material damage upon the enemy force and removed a threat to his battalion's positions. Pfc. Reynolds' courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

II-AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officer:

Colonel JAMES T DAWSON, (then Lieutenant Colonel) 016346, Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 25 April 1942 to 5 June 1943 in the United States and North African Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

III-AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

			<u>ITALY</u>	
			<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
M Sgt Jack Tarvoen	35314405	Inf	27 May 44	Ohio
Tec 5 Butler H Cutts	34882338	Inf	27 May 44	Tennessee
			<u>FRANCE</u>	
Pfc Andrew M Polonchak	33685703	Inf	2 Jan 45	Pennsylvania
Pvt Robert J LeTourneau	37285838	Inf	30 Jun 44	Minnesota
Sgt Aaron E Moore	38242973	Inf (Armd)	13 Jun 44	Texas
			<u>BELGIUM</u>	
Pfc John S Shawver	35246532	Inf	24 Dec 44	Ohio
			<u>GERMANY</u>	
1st Lt RICHARD A BERGER	01317365	Inf	8 Oct 44	New York
Tec 4 Sidney Forman	31361423	Inf	22 Sep 44	Massachusetts
Cpl Joseph D Fried	32900883	Inf	17 Sep 44	New York
Pfc Joseph Laspada	32950008	Inf	16 Oct 44	New Jersey
Pfc Edward Ritter	32758436	Inf	15 Dec 44	New Jersey

IV-AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

			<u>FRANCE</u>	
			<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
Pfc Cecil W Hayes	39213627	Inf	6 Aug 44	Washington
Tec 5 Daniel E Santangelo	42025714	MD	13 Jul 44	New York
			<u>GERMANY</u>	
S Sgt William T Galos	35750473	Inf	2 Feb 45	Ohio
S Sgt Floyd A Ward	38508153	Inf	11 Dec 44	Arkansas
Tec 5 James E Elias	35736718	Inf	10 Mar 45	West Virginia



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Pfc Aole Lockwood	39726662	Inf	13 Oct 44	California
Pfc Joseph Meyer	42044767	Inf	12 Oct 44	New York
Pfc Frank C Graziani	32803441	Inf	20 Oct 44	New York
Sgt Bert O Patterson	14107987	Inf (Armd)	3 Mar 45	Alabama

V-AWARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

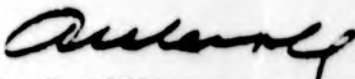
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			<u>DATE OF ENTERED</u>	<u>WOUND MIL SV FR</u>
Pfc Cecil W Hayes	39213627	Inf	21 Sep 44	Washington

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LADD:

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AGRS-DA 201 Ward, Floyd A.  
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8 February 1951

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

TO: Mr. Floyd A. Ward  
7128 Hollywood Boulevard  
Hollywood, California

So much of General Orders 155 Headquarters 9th Infantry  
Division dated 4 September 1945, as pertains to the award of  
the First Oak Leaf Cluster to Staff Sergeant Floyd A. Ward,  
30 508 153, which reads, "for wounds received in action in  
Germany, 11 December 1944", is amended to read, "for wounds  
received in action in Germany, 4 April 1945".

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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ORIGINAL ORDER # 411

5 September 1945

Under the provisions of paragraph 5a(2)b, Army Regulations 605-145, dated 6 May 1943 as amended, CAPTAIN DAVID J. FOTH, 0437727, General Staff Corps (Infantry), is relieved from detail in the General Staff Corps, effective 5 September 1945.

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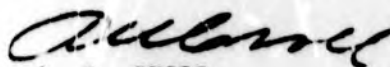
1. LIEUTENANT COLONEL TILLMAN D. JOHNSON, 022301, Medical Corps, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division is announced as Division Surgeon effective 7 September 1945, vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL DONALD R. ROBERTS, 0356500, Medical Corps, reassigned.

2. MAJOR GEORGE W. COX, 0328512, Corps of Engineers, 15th Engineer Battalion is announced as Division Engineer Officer effective 7 September 1945, vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL THOMAS M. GRAY, 0338637, Corps of Engineers, reassigned.

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I-AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded, posthumously, to the following-named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant Sam Banks, 33061781, Infantry, United States Army. During a fierce fire fight in the vicinity of Eisenborn, Belgium on 3 January 1945, Sgt. Banks learned that three of his men were lying seriously wounded in an exposed position. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly moved forward through the withering enemy fire to go to the aid of the wounded men. Evacuating the casualties one at a time, he aided immeasurably in their later recovery. His fearless and courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Delbert E. Clegg, 37693385, Infantry, United States Army. During an advance against strongly defended enemy positions on 19 April 1945 in the vicinity of Rieder, Germany, Pfc Clegg assumed command of his squad when his squad leader fell seriously wounded. Exposing himself to the heavy enemy fire, he reorganized his squad and maneuvered it around to the flank of a machine gun emplacement. Capturing four prisoners, he then singlehandedly assaulted a second gun position with grenades and neutralized the weapon. He was fatally wounded by small arms fire while returning to his unit. Pfc Clegg's aggressive leadership and courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Iowa.

Private First Class John P. King, 33465428, Infantry, United States Army. During an assault against strongly fortified enemy positions in the vicinity of Froitzheim, Germany, on 2 March 1945, Pfc King's platoon was subjected to intense enemy machine gun, rifle, and artillery fire. Realizing immediately the seriousness of the situation, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering fire to singlehandedly assault the enemy emplacements. He was almost instantly killed by the heavy concentration of fire, but his heroic and fearless action so inspired the other members of his company that they joined in the assault and quickly overran the enemy positions. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

II-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant LAWSON H. K. TELEY, O1319752, Infantry, United States Army. When on 15 January 1945, in the vicinity of Eisenborn, Belgium, the assault elements of the Infantry were halted by intense enemy fire, Lt. Teley voluntarily led a reconnaissance patrol forward into enemy territory. With complete disregard for personal safety, he repeatedly exposed himself to the withering fire in order to search out the most favorably routes of advance. After locating several vital enemy artillery installations, the patrol was subjected to a heavy artillery barrage as it began to move back to its own lines. Learning that one of the men had been seriously wounded and was unable to leave the impact area, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the enemy fire to go to the aid of the man, and carry him to safety. His aggressive leadership and fearless actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant Earl J. Ford, 15382667, Infantry, United States Army. During an advance against strongly fortified enemy position in the vicinity of Hofen, Germany, on 2 February 1945, Sgt. Ford's company was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack. With complete disregard for personal safety, Sgt. Ford remained in a forward position in order to maintain a heavy volume of effective and accurate machine gun fire on the hostile forces. Despite the fact that the enemy approached to within twenty feet of his gun, he refused to withdraw and aided immeasurably in his company's preparations for the successful resumption of the attack. Entered military service from Indiana.

Private First Class Phillip B. Cancellate, 32909975, Medical Department, United States Army. During an advance on 9 April 1945 in the vicinity of Seidlinghausen, Germany, Pfc. Cancellate observed several men fall seriously wounded under direct enemy tank and self-propelled gun fire. Despite the intense enemy fire, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering barrage to go to the aid of the wounded men. While administering emergency medical treatment he himself was wounded. He continued to treat all the casualties in the vicinity until wounded a second time. His courage and fearless action were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

III-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul 8 WD 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Private First Class Charles L. Morgan, 34887037, Infantry, United States Army. On 6 May 1945, Pfc. Morgan observed a man floundering in a pond in the vicinity of Wolfen, Germany. Without hesitating to remove his shoes or clothing, he dove into the water and swam to the rescue of the drowning soldier. He succeeded in pulling the man to shore and then promptly administered emergency medical treatment. Pfc. Morgan's fearless action was a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Tennessee.

IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant BERNARD F. SANTAMOR, O1302361, Infantry, United States Army. On 7 April 1945 in the vicinity of Aschersleben, Germany, Lt. Santamor's

platoon was subjected to several fierce enemy counterattacks. Despite the fact that the platoon was temporarily separated from the rest of the main body of troops by a disruption of communications, he repeatedly exposed himself to intense enemy small arms, machine gun, and mortar fire in order to rally and control the fire of his men. His aggressive and fearless leadership contributed materially to the successful repelling of four enemy charges and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

First Sergeant E. C. Miller, 20815320, Infantry, United States Army. While advancing towards Valme, Germany, on 7 April 1945, Sgt. Miller's company was subjected to intense enemy tank fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering fire in order to obtain the aid of attached Tank Destroyers. While leading the armored vehicles forward, he engaged and routed four enemy Infantrymen. His fearless actions contributed materially to the neutralization of the hostile tank activity and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

Technical Sergeant James E. Elias, (then Staff Sergeant), 35736718, Infantry, United States Army. When on 26 February 1945, in the vicinity of Thum, Germany, Sgt. Elias' company became pinned down by intense enemy fire, he immediately led two squads of men around to the enemy's flank to locate the enemy emplacements. After deploying his men in effective firing positions, he crawled forward alone and destroyed one machine gun position with a hand grenade. He then led his men forward in a fierce assault on nearby emplacements and successfully captured twenty-five of the enemy. His aggressive leadership and courageous actions were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Nestor R. Madrid, 39161106, Infantry, United States Army. During an advance against strongly defended enemy positions in the vicinity of Kretzhaus, Germany, on 14 March 1945, the assault elements of the Infantry were subjected to intense machine gun fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, Sgt. Madrid led a four-man patrol forward to effective firing positions and then singlehandedly assaulted the enemy machine gun emplacement with hand grenades. His courage and heroic action resulted in the neutralization of the position and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Arizona.

Staff Sergeant Charles C. Reitemeier, 35562339, Infantry, United States Army. On 28 December 1944, in the vicinity of Kalterherberg, Germany, Sgt. Reitemeier's company was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack. Observing the gunner and assistant gunner of one of the machine guns fall wounded, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the intense enemy fire to man the gun and deliver a heavy volume of accurate fire against the hostile forces. Although wounded himself, he refused to be evacuated but continued to keep his gun in operation, enabling the rest of his unit to reform their positions and successfully repel the assaulting enemy troops. His courageous actions and initiative reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Indiana.

Sergeant Alexander Fedak, (then Private First Class), 32806826, Infantry, United States Army. While moving forward on a reconnaissance mission, Sgt. Fedak's patrol encountered a strong enemy force. In the face of continuous machine gun and mortar fire, he unhesitatingly crawled forward with his SCR 300 radio to a point of vantage from which he could directly observe the hostile troops and relay back vital enemy targets for the supporting artillery and mortars. His courageous and fearless action resulted in the elimination of a strong enemy counterattack threat and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Thomas Catalano, 42042201, Infantry, United States Army. While on an advance motorized patrol on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Aschersleben, Germany, Pfc. Catalano and the other members of his party observed a large number of the enemy approaching. Opening fire on the enemy, the patrol killed two and forced the remainder to seek cover in a nearby ditch. While the other members of his patrol returned to the main body of troops to notify the company of the enemy's disposition, he singlehandedly remained behind at a point of vantage and kept the enemy pinned down with effective and accurate fire. His courageous action contributed materially to the successful advance of his company and was a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Albert W. Fulk, 36425525, Infantry, United States Army. While on a reconnaissance mission, Pfc. Fulk's patrol was subjected to intense enemy machine gun and small arms fire. With complete disregard for personal safety, he singlehandedly engaged the enemy in a fire fight, diverting the enemy's attention to himself and enabling his patrol to continue forward. Although wounded, he remained at his exposed position until the patrol successfully accomplished its mission, contributing materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

Private First Class Winston C. Wax, 34473786, Infantry, United States Army. On 10 August 1944, in the vicinity of Cherence la Roussel, France, Pfc. Wax's company was subjected to a fierce enemy counterattack. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to direct enemy observation and fire in order to rally the men in his mortar section and personally deploy them in effective firing positions. His courage and fearless actions contributed materially to the successful repelling of the attacking force and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Mississippi.

Second Lieutenant RICHARD L. O'BRIEN, (then Private First Class), 02016935, Infantry, United States Army. On 25 November 1944 in the vicinity of Nothberg, Germany, Lt. O'Brien led a combat patrol forward in order to clear two buildings of enemy troops and to establish contact with an adjacent unit. Subjected to intense enemy small arms fire, he quickly deployed his men in effective firing positions and then unhesitatingly assaulted the enemy position alone. Hurling hand grenades into the building, he neutralized the machine gun and captured four members of the outpost. His courageous actions reflect high credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade Milton Robkoff, 32497280, Infantry, United States Army. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions on 17 March 1945 in the vicinity of Vettleschoss, Germany, Cpl. Robkoff observed a man lying seriously wounded about one hundred yards to his immediate front. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to intense enemy machine gun fire to crawl to the aid of the wounded man and then carry him back, over the same hazardous route, to a position of safety. His courageous action reflects the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class Frederick H. Friedman, 39564002, Infantry, United States Army. During the assault crossing of the Meuse River in Belgium on 7 September 1944, Pfc. Friedman voluntarily exposed himself to heavy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire in order to assist in the forward displacement of his unit's antitank guns. With complete disregard for personal safety, he then crossed the river twice in order to bring up a supply of vitally needed ammunition. His aggressive initiative and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of the operations and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.



Private First Class Anthony R. Mikotowicz, 33036286, Infantry, United States Army. While moving forward as first scout for his company on 8 August 1944 in the vicinity of La Villender, France, Pfc Mikotowicz located several enemy emplacements to his immediate front and flank. With complete disregard for personal safety, he immediately opened fire on the enemy, diverting enemy attention and fire to himself in order to warn his company of the danger. His fearless and courageous actions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class Willie C. Nichols, 34794740, Infantry, United States Army. When Pfc. Nichols' platoon was pinned down by intense fire from a concealed enemy tank on 8 March 1945 in the vicinity of Bruchhausen, Germany, he voluntarily crawled forward to a point of vantage from which he effectively fired his Rocket Launcher at the enemy vehicle. Scoring a direct hit, he set the tank afire. The report and back-blast of his weapon exposed him to the fire of several enemy riflemen, but, engaging the enemy with his carbine, he killed two and routed the remainder. His courage and fearless actions were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Florida.

Private First Class George A. Pierce, 35920929, Infantry, United States Army. During an assault on a strongly defended enemy position on 19 November 1944 in the vicinity of Elsenborn, Belgium, Pfc. Pierce's platoon was subjected to a heavy volume of intense enemy fire. Observing his platoon leader and platoon sergeant fall wounded, he immediately and unhesitatingly assumed command of his squad. Reorganizing and rallying the men, he successfully led them in an assault against the enemy emplacements. His aggressive leadership and courageous actions were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Ohio.

Private First Class Irving J. Hirshman, 12147419, Infantry, United States Army. While moving forward on a night reconnaissance mission on 3 February 1945 in the vicinity of Monschau, Germany, Pfc. Hirshman's patrol was subjected to intense enemy small arms fire. Finding that radio contact with the main body of troops was faulty, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to direct enemy observation in order to move to a point of vantage from which he could transmit effectively. His devotion to duty and fearless actions enabled accurate artillery fire to be placed on enemy emplacements and reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Sergeant Edward Kirch, 32238935, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. When on 1 January 1945 at Metz, France, Sgt. Kirch's Gun Battery was subjected to an enemy strafing and bombing attack, he immediately and with complete disregard for personal safety exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to man a machine gun. Despite the repeated attempts to bomb and strafe the position, he fearlessly engaged the hostile airplanes and assisted in the destruction of three. Sgt. Kirch's courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Sergeant John A. Lesner, 36348270, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. When on 1 January 1945 at Metz, France, Sgt. Lesner's Gun Battery was subjected to an enemy strafing and bombing attack, he immediately and with complete disregard for personal safety exposed himself to the enemy fire in order to man a machine gun. Despite the repeated attempts to bomb and strafe the position, he fearlessly engaged the hostile airplanes and assisted in the destruction of three. Sgt. Lesner's courageous actions reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

WARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze

Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Lieutenant Colonel THOMAS M. GRAY, 0338637, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, during the period 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Major JAMES O. IOTTES, 0356476, Medical Corps, United States Army, during the period 21 April 1945 to 8 May 1945 in Germany. Entered military service from Missouri.

Captain WALTER J. SPERLING, 0470402, Medical Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

First Lieutenant MATTHEW P. DOYLE, 01042548, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant Hugh E. Storer, 35469153, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 4 July 1944 in France. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Merrill J. Houser, 37118089, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 12 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Iowa.

Staff Sergeant Walter G. Kyle, Jr., 13054129, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant Robert B. Miller, 15320111, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 1 July 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

Staff Sergeant Alfred W. Rogers, 34189126, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Tennessee.

Sergeant Raymond A. Louneman, 35267365, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 10 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Kentucky.

Technician Fourth Grade Morris Broffman, 32195295, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 21 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade Helvin E. Warner, 34232445, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Technician Fifth Grade Raymond W. Gehring, 36231719, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Technician Fifth Grade Harold D. Reed, 35366442, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Indiana.

VI-OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II, Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States as here date indicated is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Captain ARNOLD J. CLARK, O1697708, Medical Corps, United States Army. On 5 February 1945, in the vicinity of Gemund, Germany, Captain Clark's Battalion Aid Station was subjected to an intense enemy artillery barrage, one of the shells hitting the roof of the building. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the heavy concentration of fire to go to the aid of the wounded. His devotion to duty and courageous actions were instrumental in saving the lives of many of the casualties and were, at all times, in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

First Sergeant Bryce S. Williams, (then Technical Sergeant), 35111212, Infantry, United States Army. While advancing against strongly defended enemy positions on 18 March 1945 in the vicinity of Wettleschoss, Germany, Sgt. Williams' company was subjected to an intense enemy artillery barrage. Locating the enemy Observation Post, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the heavy fire and assaulted the position. Although stunned by the concussion of grenades, he killed two of the enemy and neutralized a machine gun emplacement. Sgt. Williams then returned to his unit with vital information concerning the enemy's disposition, contributing materially to the success of his company's operations. Entered military service from Indiana.

VII-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MTL SV FR
Sgt Raymond L Krahn	33304791	Inf	6 Sep 44	Pennsylvania
Cpl Earle H Klock	42028634	Inf	15 Jan 45	New York
Tec 5 Frank W Farley Jr	34883689	Inf	13 Oct 44	Tennessee
Pfc John F Krebs Jr	32826100	Inf	2 Oct 44	New York
Pfc Norman Reisman	12202641	Inf	15 Mar 45	New Jersey
Pfc Vincent M Temple	36145608	Inf	10 Aug 44	Michigan
Pfc John J Burkhardt	35229723	Inf	6 Aug 44	Ohio
Pfc Martin McMahon	16001800	Inf	15 Jul 44	Illinois
MAJOR MENEPIE BLACKWELL	0325222	Inf	28 Nov 44	Missouri
MAJOR HENRY P TILDEN	0341429	Cav	9 Feb 45	Massachusetts

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Sgt Gerald E Wisemiller	16120702	Inf	6 Sep 44	Illinois
Pfc Donald R Lovatinsky	37683027	Inf	6 Sep 44	Iowa
Pfc Jerome C Klein	12163438	SC	19 Dec 44	New Jersey
Tec 5 Jack N Sullivan	35427997	FA	28 Dec 44	Ohio

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CAPT JAMES T STROUD	0375815	Inf	8 Dec 44	North Carolina
1ST LT WILLARD C CLEMENTS (N 020495/6 MC		Inf	21 Apr 45	Minnesota
1ST LT SALVATORE B SIMONE O45075)		Inf	15 Mar 45	Massachusetts
T Sgt John F Sadler	38999157	Inf	3 Mar 45	Arkansas
S Sgt Joseph DeLuca	32161761	Inf	1 Oct 44	New York
Sgt Robert N Beauchamp	12152919	Inf	15 Mar 45	Massachusetts
Sgt Albert P Richardt	36965212	Inf	3 Mar 45	Illinois
Cpl Carmine V Bannock	32415753	Inf	17 Apr 45	New York
Cpl Robert W Spence	4240376	Inf	18 Apr 45	New York
Pfc Winston G Wax	31473786	Inf	7 Oct 44	Mississippi
Pfc Felix E Sittnikowski	12027166	Inf	14 Mar 45	New York

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Pfc James W Sages	34898047	Inf	1 Feb 45	North Carolina
Pfc Arlen Shelton	34891012	Inf	6 Oct 44	North Carolina
Pfc Theodore J Machuga	31082288	Inf	2 Apr 45	Massachusetts
Pfc Robert H McGlocklin	6849876	Inf	14 Mar 45	Virginia
Pfc Arthur M Hynar.	12220740	Inf	5 Feb 45	New York
Pfc Marion Hyink	37676991	Inf	5 Feb 45	Iowa
Pfc Arlington H Greers	31461992	Inf	27 Feb 45	Massachusetts
Pfc Albert Gialionardo	6136074	Inf	12 Dec 44	Massachusetts
Pfc Paul J Callahan	33848261	Inf	14 Mar 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Chester N Brown.	33028984	Inf	31 Jan 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Robert F Byers.	3512492	Inf	3 Feb 45	Ohio
Pfc Richard H Chesey	32564916	Inf	3 Feb 45	New Jersey
Pfc Thomas L Joiner	34971895	Inf	27 Jan 45	Georgia
Pfc Howard J Imblum	33429343	Inf	3 Feb 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Everett R Shipley	35071755	Inf	5 Mar 45	Ohio
Pvt Mitchell Zaretsky	16144677	Inf	3 Feb 45	Illinois
Pvt Matthias N Groh	36846016	Inf	16 Mar 45	Wisconsin
Pvt Miles J Dealy	33806710	Inf	3 Oct 44	Pennsylvania
Pfc Robert S Steele	44015854	Inf	4 Mar 45	North Carolina
Pvt Charles L Vanderpool	34912604	Inf	14 Mar 45	Florida
Ten' Burdak William	33131632	CE	14 Mar 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Stanley J Astrauskas	32826027	CE	18 Mar 45	New York
Pfc Louis V Evans	36985590	En	10 Apr 45	Michigan

V.II-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-15, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL. SV. FR</u>
S Sgt Thurman H Miller	35710503	MD	9 Aug 44	Indiana

		<u>BELGIUM</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL. SV. FR</u>
Pfc Raymond H Chabot	36540198	CE	5 Sep 44	Michigan
Pfc Bernard G Decker	31339913	CE	16 Sep 44	Vermont

		<u>GERMANY</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL. SV. FR</u>
Pfc Howard B Moffitt	37692453	Inf	17 Oct 44	Iowa
Pfc Anthony F Esposito	32773339	Inf	3 Feb 45	New Jersey
Pvt Ignacio C Hernandez	39859900	Inf	26 Nov 44	Texas
Pvt Harold L Mitchell	34346081	Inf	12 Mar 45	Mississippi
Pfc John J Burkhardt	35229723	Inf	18 Sep 44	Ohio
Pfc Wayne E Powell	38537888	Inf	6 Oct 44	Texas
Pfc Robert S Steele	44015854	Inf	6 Mar 45	North Carolina
Pvt William H Newland	35893313	Inf	8 Mar 45	Indiana

V.II-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-43, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>BELGIUM</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL. SV. FR</u>
Pfc Ralph L Hayes	34892889	Inf	1 Mar 45	South Carolina

**AWARD OF THE COMBAT MEDICAL BADGE.** Under the provisions of War Department Circular Number 66 dated 1 March 1945, and letter Headquarters European Theater of Operations File 200.6/1 MPDG. dated 7 June 1945 and 1st and 2d Indorsements thereto, the Combat Medical Badge is awarded to the following named enlisted man, unit as indicated, for exemplary performance of duty with the Infantry under actual combat conditions. Award is retroactive to 5 April 1945.

**NINTH MEDICAL BATTALION**

Pfc Robert W Edwards 3455304

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL L LADD:

OFFICIALS:

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR----- I

AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named officer:

Captain WILLIAM C. YARBROUGH, O1309140, Infantry, United States Army. On 8 March 1945, when vital traffic across the Ludendorf Bridge was halted by intense enemy artillery fire, Captain Yarbrough made seven trips across the bridge to reorganize the guide posts and resume a steady flow of necessary troops and supplies. Though completely exposed to the heavy enemy fire and hampered by total darkness, he was able to keep supplies moving forward to our troops, thereby aiding materially in the success of the operations against the enemy. His courage, coolness and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Arkansas.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL L LADD:

OFFICIAL:

J. T. HULLEY,  
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- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART - - - - - III

I-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officers:

Captain ROBERT B. BRADSHAW, 0479673, Medical Corps, United States Army, during the period 9 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Nebraska.

II-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

			<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
Pvt Charles A Holy	36457942	INF		11 Jul 44	Michigan
Pfc Edward F Tomaszowski	36555881	INF		23 Jul 44	Michigan
Pvt John B Pilsner	35923388	INF		2 Aug 44	Ohio
Pfc Colin I Mahorney	33541586	INF		18 Jun 44	Virginia
Pvt Jules A Fleury	31320597	INF		10 Sep 44	Maine
			<u>BELGIUM</u>		
Pfc Stanislaus J Niedbalaki	36951233	INF		18 Dec 44	Michigan
			<u>GERMANY</u>		
1ST LT STANTON P KUNZI	01019315	INF		16 Feb 45	Ohio
S Sgt Robert E Holmes	42077455	INF		10 Dec 44	New York
Pfc John P Ashmore Jr	34657175	INF		2 Mar 45	South Carolina
Pfc Lorenzo J Vargas	37445976	INF		2 Apr 45	Iowa
Pfc Robert J Kucora	35520893	INF		9 Aug 45	Ohio
Pfc Walter W Swegosh	36689074	INF		19 Sep 44	Illinois
Pfc George W Lewis	37745533	INF		6 Jan 45	Missouri
Pvt Thomas E Hall	34986723	INF		30 Jan 45	Tennessee
Pvt Bernito O Loyba	38581944	INF		23 Apr 45	New Mexico
2D LT WILLIAM R BUTTS	01329086	INF		7 Apr 45	New Jersey
Pfc Joe Lee	38467345	INF		9 Feb 45	Oklahoma
Pfc John M Robinson	15339629	INF		12 Dec 44	Ohio

III-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

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		<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FILE</u>
Pvt Anthony J Weidner Jr	33706397	INF	11 Jul 44	Pennsylvania
Pvt Charles A Holy	35457942	INF	18 Jul 44	Michigan
		<u>GERMANY</u>		
Pfc Cameron J Cox	22126724	INF	2 Feb 45	New York
Pfc Jack Simmons	42182873	INF	14 Apr 45	New York
Pfc George W Lewis	37745533	INF	6 Mar 45	Missouri

BY COMMAND OF BRIG LIEUT GENERAL L.L.D.

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- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART - - - - - VI

I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant ROBERT A. KRAUSE, 01175772, Field Artillery, United States Army. During the period 16 March 1945 to 17 March 1945, in the vicinity of Remigon, Germany, Lt. Krause made three sorties in an unarmed artillery reconnaissance plane to pilot observers while they directed effective artillery fire on enemy forces and emplacements. On one occasion his plane was forced down five times to treetop level because of enemy aircraft attacks. Despite the extreme danger, he refused to return to his base but waited only until the enemy planes had momentarily disappeared before climbing again to observation altitude to enable successful completion of the mission. Lt. Krause's courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant KEITH A. McLEAN, 01017111, Infantry, United States Army. During an attack on Dreiborn, Germany, on 2 February 1945, Lt. McLean observed that the assault elements of the Infantry were being subjected to intense enemy machine-gun and rifle fire. Unhesitatingly, he led one section of his platoon of tanks and preceded the attack down the main street, bringing a heavy volume of fire to bear on houses and likely enemy positions. Lt. McLean's complete disregard for personal safety, courage, and aggressive leadership enabled the Infantrymen to complete their mission with a minimum of casualties and were, at all times, in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Corporal WRECKS GRAVES, 36280248, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. During an advance in the vicinity of Hofen, Germany, on 16 September 1944, Cpl. Graves observed that the assault elements of the Infantry were halted by intense enemy fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, he voluntarily joined a tank crew whose mission was to neutralize the enemy's emplacements. With complete disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to direct enemy observation and fire in order to effectively deliver a heavy volume of armor fire upon the enemy. Cpl. Graves' devotion to duty, aggressive initiative, and courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Texas.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant GLEN B. TAFF, 01310524, Infantry, United States Army. During a fierce assault on a strongly defended enemy pillbox in the vicinity of Germer, Germany, on 6 October 1944, Lt. Taff observed that two of his men had fallen seriously wounded. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering enemy fire to go to the aid of casualties and evacuate them to a position of comparative safety. He then regrouped his men and led them in a successful assault of the enemy position. Lt. Taff's aggressive leadership and courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM R. BUTTS, 01329086, Infantry, United States Army. During an advance against strongly defended enemy positions in the vicinity of Hedgesprung, Germany, on 17 April 1945, Lt. Butts unhesitatingly exposed himself to withering enemy fire in order to direct and control the fire and movement of his men in a fierce assault on the emplacements. Destroying a machine-gun nest and taking five prisoners, he then redeployed two squads of men to give effective covering fire while he led his remaining squad forward into the town to clear of all enemy resistance. Lt. Butts' aggressive leadership and courage contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Second Lieutenant HAROLD M. McNEELY, 02008599, Infantry, United States Army. On 16 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ballenstedt, Germany, Lt. McNeely's tank was hit and disabled during an attack on enemy positions. Observing that his crew, while attempting to dismount, was being subjected to intense enemy small arms fire, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the enemy barrage and engaged the enemy with his pistol. Diverting the enemy's attention and fire, he enabled his men to withdraw to safety. McNeely's courage was in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant ARTHUR R. JACQUES, 31021787, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. During an advance against strongly fortified enemy positions on 14 October 1944, in the vicinity of Hurtgen, Germany, Sgt. Jacques observed that the assault elements of the Infantry were halted by a well defended road block. Unable to place his tank in position to fire upon the enemy, he dismounted a machine gun from his tank and unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering enemy barrage in order to crawl forward to a point of vantage from which he could neutralize the enemy's fire. Sgt. Jacques' courage and aggressive initiative were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Connecticut.

**III--AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officers:

Chief Warrant Officer STANLEY R. HESLER, 22118292, United States Army, during the period 1 January 1945 to 6 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Indiana.

First Lieutenant KENNETH F. KNIGHT, 01181331, Ordnance Dept., United States Army, during the period 6 March 1945 to 12 April 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Kansas.

**IV--AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following-named officer and enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade WILFORD L. RASBURY, 38284405, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. During an attack against strongly defended enemy positions on 16 April 1945, in the vicinity of Ballenstedt, Germany, Cpl. Rasbury's tank was disabled by enemy rocket fire. Refusing to withdraw to safety with the other members of the crew, he remained behind in his vehicle until he had extinguished a fire in the engine compartment. While searching for two other wounded men in another burning vehicle, he voluntarily exposed himself to heavy mortar and artillery fire in order to put out the fire and save the tank from complete destruction. Cpl. Rasbury's courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant FRANCIS E. MARSHALL II, 0532691, Infantry, United States Army. During an advance against Germersheim, Germany, on 24 March 1945, Lt. Marshall's tank was immobilized by enemy fire. Ordering his crew to take cover, he then voluntarily exposed himself to the heavy antitank, artillery, and machine-gun fire in order to continue leading his platoon in the attack. When he observed one of his men fall seriously wounded, he immediately ran to his aid and evacuated him to a position of comparative safety. Lt. Marshall's aggressive leadership and courage were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>NORTH CAROLINA</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV ER</u>
Pfc Lyle S Evenson	37284279	INF	1 Apr 43	North Dakota
		<u>FRANCE</u>		
Pfc Gerald A. W. plinger	37128146	INF	19 Jul 44	Nebraska
		<u>GERMANY</u>		
S Sgt Floyd J Ford	36572138	INF	16 Sep 44	Michigan
Pfc Riley R Reiner	33590928	INF	17 Mar 45	Pennsylvania
Sgt James T Hurley	32584008	PA	19 Apr 45	New York

AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>GERMANY</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV ER</u>
Pfc Wallace F Pflugradt	36666518	INF	23 Jan 45	Illinois

BY COMMAND OF BRIG. DIR GENERAL L. LADD:

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I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant JACK K. KAUFMAN, (then Second Lieutenant) 01060152, Infantry 774th Tank Battalion. During an attack against strongly defended enemy positions at Petit Langlier, Belgium, on 11 January 1945, Lt. Kaufman's tank was disabled after detonating a mine. With complete disregard for personal safety, he immediately mounted a second tank and led a successful assault on the enemy emplacements, capturing thirty-nine of the enemy and forcing the remainder to withdraw. Lt. Kaufman's devotion to duty and aggressive leadership contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from New York.

First Sergeant JAMES A. FREELY, (then Sergeant) 36367659, Infantry, 60th Infantry. During a fierce assault on enemy emplacements in the vicinity of Dreiborn, Germany, on 5 February 1945, Sgt. Freely repeatedly exposed himself to intense enemy fire in order to direct and control the fire and movement of his men. His complete disregard for personal safety and aggressive leadership resulted in the destruction of two machine-gun positions and a mortar observation post and enabled his men to capture twenty of the enemy. Sgt. Freely's courage was, at all times, in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Sergeant MOS VIARS, (then Private First Class) 35135862, Infantry, 60th Infantry. During a fierce assault on strongly defended enemy positions, Sgt. Viars' company was subjected to a heavy enemy artillery, machine-gun and rifle barrage. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the intense enemy fire in order to set up his mortar in a point of vantage from which he could obtain direct observation of the enemy. Sgt. Viars' complete disregard for personal safety and courage resulted in the destruction of two enemy machine-gun emplacements, contributing materially to the success of his unit's operation. Entered military service from West Virginia.

Private First Class JESUS J. DURAN, 39721305, Infantry, 60th Infantry. While attacking enemy positions in the vicinity of Hoven, Germany, on 12 December 1944, Pfc. Duran was wounded. Refusing all medical treatment, he personally supervised the reorganization of his men for a second assault on the enemy emplacements. With complete disregard for personal safety, he exposed himself to the withering artillery, mortar, and machine-gun fire in order to evacuate another seriously wounded man to a position of comparative security. He then secured another weapon and led his unit in a successful attack against the enemy's positions. Pfc. Duran's aggressive leadership and courageous actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 217 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant EDWARD H. JOHNSTON, (then Sergeant) 15305872, Infantry, 60th Infantry. On 3 February 1945, in the vicinity of EinRuhr, Germany, Sgt. Johnston's squad was subjected to intense enemy mortar and machine-gun fire while clearing a small group of houses. Under fire from the enemy, Johnston, by firing positions, he then single-handedly threw two hand grenades into the positions.

nests and neutralized the enemy strong positions. His action were in keeping with the high traditions of military service from Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant JOHN F. KRAUSCHE, (then Sergeant) 4208207, Infantry. During an advance against enemy positions in the vicinity of Vesserschoss, Germany, on 19 March 1945, Sgt. Krausche's company was subjected to heavy enemy artillery, machine-gun, and small arms fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering barrage to crawl forward and lob two hand grenades into the machine gun emplacements. His aggressive initiative and courageous action were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade IRVING S. GREENBERG, (then Private First Class) 36783850, Medical Department, 47th Infantry. During an advance against strongly defended enemy positions at Bruchhausen on 2 March 1945, Pfc. Greenberg voluntarily and with complete disregard for personal safety exposed himself to intense enemy artillery and mortar fire to go to the aid of wounded personnel. Administering emergency medical treatment to six seriously wounded casualties, he was instrumental in saving their lives. Pfc. Greenberg's devotion to duty and courageous action were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

Corporal LOUIS J. CIMINO, JR., (then Private First Class) 33951133, Infantry, 47th Infantry. When, on 15 April 1945 in the vicinity of Silberhutte, Germany, his patrol was pinned down by intense enemy small arms fire, Pfc. Cimino boldly and unhesitatingly assaulted the enemy emplacements, killing one of the enemy and capturing another. From the prisoner he learned the location of an enemy ambush and enabled his patrol to successfully neutralize the position. His courage and complete disregard for personal safety were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class MICHAEL G. TYRPAK, 36831122, Infantry, 47th Infantry. During a fierce enemy counterattack on 19 September 1944 in the vicinity of Schovenhutte, Germany, Pfc. Tyrpak's squad was disorganized by shell bursts and he, himself, was seriously wounded. With complete disregard for personal safety, he voluntarily remained in the interdicted area in order to man a machine gun and enable his unit to effectively reorganize. He then refused all medical treatment until he had assisted in the evacuation of all the other casualties in the vicinity. Pfc. Tyrpak's courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

Sergeant JOSEPH A. BARBIERI, (then Private First Class) 33577250, Infantry, 60th Infantry. While in a defensive position in the vicinity of Madosprung, Germany, on 17 April 1945, Pfc. Barbieri voluntarily exposed himself to heavy enemy small arms fire in order to lead a patrol deep into enemy territory to mine all likely approaches to his company's position. When, on the following morning, the company was preparing to advance, he unhesitatingly moved forward, under direct enemy observation and fire, to remove all the mines. Pfc. Barbieri's devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of his unit's assault on the town. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Private First Class HAROLD DIETZ, (then Private) 16190427, Infantry, 60th Infantry. While advancing against strongly fortified enemy positions on 2 April 1945 in the vicinity of Gunterseberge, Germany, Pfc. Dietz's lead platoon was subjected to intense enemy artillery and small arms fire. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, he exposed himself to the heavy fire in order to radio the action back to his Command Post. Learning that several of his men had fallen seriously wounded, he assisted in the administration of emergency medical treatment to the casualties and then returned to his radio to report all the details of the encounter. Pfc. Dietz's courage and devotion to duty were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

Private First Class HERMAN WEINGARTEN, 42128376, Infantry, 60th Infantry. On 3 April 1945, at Westfeld, Germany, Pfc. Weingarten moved forward in order to check a suspicious building. Overhearing voices and realizing that the occupants of the houses were enemy soldiers, he crawled forward cautiously and surprised fourteen of the enemy. In addition, he also captured twenty-six rifles, two machine pistols, and a large quantity of hand grenades and ammunition. Pfc. Weingarten's courage and complete disregard for personal safety were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 37D 1-4) in AR 600-45, 22 September 1945, as amended, a Bronze

Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Captain SAMUEL J. MERLIN, 0545370, Medical Corps, 774th Tank Battalion. Throughout the period 28 December 1944 to 8 May 1945, in the European Theater of Operations, Captain Merlin performed his duties as Medical Officer in an exceptionally outstanding manner. Despite adverse combat conditions and inclement weather, he tirelessly worked day and night in order to render medical treatment to all wounded personnel. His technical skill, expert judgment, and capacity for hard work and long hours were instrumental in saving the lives of many of the casualties and were, at all times, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

First Sergeant JOSEPH R. STANGANELLI, (then Staff Sergeant) 32209168, Armored, 774 Tank Battalion. Throughout the period 25 August 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations, Sergeant Stanganelli performed his duties as Supply Sergeant in an exceptionally outstanding manner. Despite inclement weather, adverse combat conditions, and frequent displacements forward, he repeatedly exposed himself to enemy artillery and mortar fire in order to maintain a constant flow of supplies to all elements of his unit. His devotion to duty, courage, and capacity for hard work and long hours, contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fifth Grade LEROY ELLINGSEN, 37541908, Armored, 774th Tank Battalion. During the period 26 November 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations, Corporal Ellingsen performed his duties as Supply Clerk in an exceptionally meritorious manner. Despite inclement weather, adverse combat conditions, and frequent displacements forward, he worked tirelessly in order to maintain a constant flow of essentially needed material to the forward elements of his unit. Corporal Ellingsen's devotion to duty, courage, and capacity for hard work and long hours contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Minnesota.

IV-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1941 (see II Bul 3 D 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant FRANK G. DARRACH, 01015154, Armored, 774th Tank Battalion. On 11 April 1945, in the vicinity of Morsbach, Germany, Lt. Darrach voluntarily led a ten man patrol forward into enemy territory to search for four wounded officers. Under cover of darkness, he personally reconnoitered three towns that were still occupied by enemy troops. Lt. Darrach's courage and leadership ability were in keeping with the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

First Sergeant JAMES A. FRELEY, (then Sergeant) 36367659, Infantry, 60th Infantry. Subjected to intense enemy mortar, artillery, and machine-gun fire during an advance against strongly defended enemy positions on 9 February 1945 in the vicinity of Schmidt, Germany, Sgt. Freley unhesitatingly exposed himself to the heavy concentration of fire to lead his men in an attack on the enemy emplacements. Directing and controlling the fire and movement of his men, he successfully launched a fierce assault against the enemy, capturing the position and taking fifty prisoners. Sgt. Freley's aggressive leadership and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

First Sergeant PARKER C. WELCH (Then Staff Sergeant) 35830474, Infantry, 60th Infantry. Observing that an enemy machine-gun nest was halting the advance of his unit on 5 February 1945, in the vicinity of Dreibern, Germany, Sgt. Welch unhesitatingly exposed himself to the withering enemy fire to neutralize the position. He crawled forward to within fifteen feet of the gun emplacement and destroyed the position with two accurately lobbed hand grenades. Sgt. Welch's aggressive initiative and courageous actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Kentucky.

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V-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>	
Cpl Joe Haskins	14123722	INF	30 Jun 44	North Carolina	✓
Pfc Seymour Tivis	3396639	INF	8 Aug 44	Pennsylvania	✓
		<u>GERMANY</u>			
CAPT GORDON RYDER	0469916	INF	5 Feb 45	Ohio	✓
1ST LT ARTHUR W SHIVELY	01322721	INF	6 Mar 45	California	✓
Pfc Michael G Tyrpak	3683122	INF	19 Sep 44	Illinois	✓

VI-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>GERMANY</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>	
Sgt James W Jordan	35077572	INF	9 Oct 44	West Virginia	✓

VII-AWARD OF THIRD OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

		<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>	
Pfc Howard W Lahmann	33324580	INF	20 Jul 44	Pennsylvania	✓

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AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 WD 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Captain NEL C. GALLOWAY, 0391441, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 1 May 1943, in the Sedjenane Valley, Tunisia, Captain Galloway successfully made contact with an adjacent reconnaissance squadron. When the supporting unit was subjected to intense enemy mortar and artillery fire, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to the enemy barrage in order to occupy a forward observation post. Remaining under the heavy concentration of fire, he effectively directed accurate counterbattery fire on the enemy positions. Captain Galloway's courageous action contributed materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Oklahoma.

✓ First Lieutenant ROBERT S. MARSHALL, 01310908, Infantry, United States Army. After successfully capturing Marieniller Hoven, Germany, on 13 December 1944, Lieutenant Marshall's unit was threatened by a fierce enemy counterattack. Although wounded, he unhesitatingly exposed himself to heavy enemy mortar and artillery fire in order to lay mines across all the main approaches. His devotion to duty, complete disregard for personal safety, and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of his unit's operations. Entered military service from Michigan.

✓ Private First Class JACK W. EARLS, 38633694, Infantry, United States Army. During a fierce enemy counterattack on his unit's positions in the vicinity of Korbeck, Germany, on 20 April 1945, Pfc. Earls observed approximately twenty enemy soldiers approaching. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly held his fire until the enemy had approached to within point blank range. Opening fire on the enemy and then engaging them in hand-to-hand combat, he stopped the attack and forced the hostile force to withdraw. Pfc. Earls' outstanding courage was in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Texas.

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1926 (Bul 5 WD 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following named enlisted men:



Sergeant HERBERT R. ELSTON, 36036256, (then Technician Fifth Grade) Medical Detachment, United States Army. On 30 July 1945, at Ingolstadt, Germany, Sgt. Elston observed a soldier set afire when sprayed by flaming gasoline from an exploding immersion heater. With complete disregard for personal safety, he unhesitatingly rushed to the burning man and smothered the fire with his own body. Sgt. Elston's expert judgment and presence of mind undoubtedly saved the life of the endangered man. Entered military service from Texas.

III- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named enlisted men:

Private EDGAR WILLIAMS, 6895056, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. During an attack on Friedricksbrunn, Germany, on 18 April 1945, Private Williams observed that the assault elements of the Infantry had been halted by the intense fire of two enemy self-propelled guns. Realizing the seriousness of the situation, he voluntarily drove forward with the lead tank in order to neutralize the enemy's fire. Bringing a heavy volume of accurate 76mm fire to bear on the enemy placements, he enabled the Infantrymen to continue their advance. Private Williams' devotion to duty and courage were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Technician Fifth Grade DONALD A. LAWTON, 12048986, Infantry, (Armored), United States Army. During an attack on Friedricksbrunn, Germany, on 18 April 1945, Corporal Lawton observed that the assault elements of the Infantry had been halted by the intense fire of two enemy self-propelled guns. Realizing the gravity of the situation, he voluntarily drove the lead tank forward in order to help neutralize the enemy's fire. Corporal Lawton's devotion to duty and courageous actions enabled a heavy volume of accurate 76mm fire to be brought to bear on the enemy placements and were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

IV- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following enlisted men:

Corporal GLENDON H. RECORD, 31398794, Infantry (Armored) United States Army. During an attack on Friedricksbrunn, Germany, on 18 April 1945, Corporal Record observed that the assault elements of the Infantry had been halted by intense enemy fire from two self-propelled guns. Realizing the gravity of the situation, he reconnoitered a good firing position on foot and then maneuvered his tank forward to the point of vantage. Exposing his vehicle to accurate rocket fire, he brought a heavy volume of effective fire to bear on the enemy and forced the two self-propelled guns to withdraw. Corporal Record's devotion to duty and courageous actions were in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maine.

Private First Class WILLIAM L. NEELY, 33400284, Infantry (Armored), United States Army. During an attack on Friedrichsbrunn, Germany, on 18 April 1945, Pfc. Neely observed that the assault elements of the Infantry had been halted by the intense fire of two enemy self-propelled guns. Realizing the gravity of the situation, he voluntarily moved forward with the 76mm gun in order to neutralize the enemy's fire. Improvising a sling which enabled him to have a quantity of ammunition available at all times, he enabled the gunner to bring a heavy volume of fire to bear on the enemy emplacements. Pfc. Neely's devotion to duty and courage were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

V-AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel LEIS E. MANESS, 0414382, Infantry, United States Army. On 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwenda, Germany, Lieutenant Colonel Maness voluntarily made a reconnaissance flight over enemy territory in order to determine the strong points in the enemy defenses. Despite the fact that the flight was made during adverse weather conditions and that the plane was, at all times, exposed to enemy observation, he flew dangerously low in order to complete the reconnaissance. Lieutenant Colonel Maness' devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Lieutenant Colonel R. Y. L. INZER, 01288560, Infantry, United States Army. On 4 April 1945, in the vicinity of Schwenda, Germany, Lieutenant Colonel Inzer voluntarily made a reconnaissance flight over enemy territory in order to determine the strong points in the enemy defenses. Despite the fact that the flight was made during adverse weather conditions and that the plane was, at all times, exposed to enemy observation, he flew dangerously low in order to complete the reconnaissance. Lieutenant Colonel Inzer's devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Michigan.

VI-AWARD OF FIFTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 26 April 1944, the Fifth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to:

First Lieutenant JOE A. BOLT, 01184459, Field Artillery, United States Army. During the period 27 February 1945 to 15 April 1945, Lieutenant Bolt distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, completing thirty-five sorties over the front lines. Adjusting artillery fire on enemy targets, he accomplished all missions given him despite intense enemy ground and antiaircraft fire. His devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of the operations during this period. Entered military service from Texas.

VII-AWARD OF SIXTH OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 26 April 1944, the Sixth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal is awarded to:

First Lieutenant ROBERT H. KRAUSE, 01175772, Field Artillery, United States Army. During the period 10 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, Lieutenant Krause distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, completing thirty-five sorties over the front lines. Adjusting artillery fire on enemy targets, he accomplished all missions given him despite intense enemy ground and antiaircraft fire. His devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of the operations during this period. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant JOHN T. MCCUTCHEON, 0516623, Field Artillery, United States Army. During the period 10 April 1945 to 27 April 1945, Lieutenant McCutcheon distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight, completing thirty-five sorties over the front lines. Adjusting artillery fire on enemy targets, he accomplished all missions given him despite intense enemy ground and antiaircraft fire. His devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of the operations during this period. Entered military service from Ohio.

VIII-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
Pvt Ilario Bruno	31406163	Inf	23 Jun 44	Connecticut
Cpl Norman Polonetsky	31561295	Inf	10 Aug 44	Massachusetts

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S Sgt David B. Borins	33643269	Inf	17 Nov 44	Virginia
Pfc Robert C. Diehl	33147019	Inf	3 Feb 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Nate Gaynor	35713500	Med Det	8 Mar 45	Illinois
Tec 5 Percy A. Bain	34213219	Inf	16 Mar 45	North Carolina
Pfc James W. Daisey	13185363	Inf	18 Oct 44	New Jersey
Pfc August C. Eggert	37627410	Inf	14 Mar 45	Missouri
Sgt Arthur L. Neubauer	36479437	Inf	12 Oct 44	Illinois

IX-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

FRANCE

			<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SV FR</u>
Pvt Xenophon F. Nixon	33851638	Med Det	8 Oct 44	Virginia

GERMANY

Sgt Arthur L. Neubauer	36479437	Inf	12 Dec 44	Illinois
Pfc James W. Daisey	13185363	Inf	9 Dec 44	New Jersey
Pfc Wick J. Burns	35799972	Med Det	15 Mar 45	Kentucky
Pfc Casimir Zabik	6828989	Inf	30 Jan 45	Michigan

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**I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 D 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Brigadier General REDA S. HOWELL, (then Colonel) O-3062, Field Artillery, United States Army. On 21 March 1943, while commanding the 17th Field Artillery Regiment on Djebel Keddab, Africa, he continually exposed himself to enemy fire in order to better coordinate the planning of fires for his regiment. With utter disregard for his own personal safety General Howell made numerous trips through open terrain that was constantly under enemy artillery fire and intermittent strafing between his gun positions and the observation post; however, because of heavy pressure the enemy forces were placing on the Allied Troops, he continued to traverse this route so that the maximum artillery fires could be placed on the enemy in support of the infantry attacks. General Howell's actions at this time reflected the highest credit upon himself and the military service and contributed materially to the success of the Allied Forces. Entered military service from Utah.

First Sergeant WILLIAM W. WRIGHT, 39272830, Field Artillery, United States Army. During the attack on Strodt, Germany, on 16 March 1945, Sgt. Wright, despite the withering concentration of 88mm and machine gun fire, led his platoon from an exposed position in an assault upon hostile forces, thereby enabling Company C, 80th Infantry to reach its objective. During the attack Sgt. Wright was injured in both legs. Upon discovering that three crew men had not escaped from his burning tank, he crawled back and rescued them. Sgt. Wright's outstanding courage was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Technical Sergeant HEROND J. HALVORSON, (then Private First Class) 36912117, Infantry, United States Army. On 15 March 1945, in the vicinity of Ohlenberg, Germany, Sgt. Halvorson assumed command of the mortar section and set up his mortars placing heavy fire on both the enemy machine guns and mortar emplacements. Seeing two ammunition bearers fall wounded, Sgt. Halvorson crept to their aid and brought these men to safety. Although one mortar section had been completely knocked out and had sustained fifteen casualties, Sgt. Halvorson's steadfastness kept the few remaining men intact as a fighting force and inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy. Entered military service from Illinois.

**II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 D 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class JULIEN GERSHON, 12192419, Medical Detachment, United States Army. On 16 March 1945, in the vicinity of Gundershoffen, Germany, Pfc. Gershon twice ventured into an area subject to intense small arms and artillery fire giving medical treatment and evacuating the wounded to a sheltered area. His courage, determination and devotion to duty reflect the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New York.

Private First Class, JAMES F. McLAUGHLIN, 42187388, Infantry, United States Army. On 16 April 1945 in the town of Wergan, Germany. Pfc. McLaughlin voluntarily exposed himself to enemy fire while attempting to contact a supporting tank against an enemy superior in number and position. His courageous action and utter disregard for personal safety upon suddenly surprising a large group of German soldiers caused this group to become disorganized and taken prisoner.

Pfc. McLaughlin's courageous actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Private First Class TIMOTHY O'CONNOR, 31418096, Infantry, United States Army. On 14 April 1945 in the vicinity of Gr. Badegast, Germany, Pfc. O'Connor's tank proceeded under heavy mortar and anti tank gun fire into a well defended roadblock. Heavy fire forced the men to dismount and seek shelter and caused the tank to withdraw. Pfc. O'Connor realizing that the dismounted men were in danger moved out of his shelter and crawled across the open square where the tank had been hit. At the roadblock he captured three prisoners. Pfc. O'Connor's courage and aggressiveness were instrumental in clearing the town and reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOHN E. TARTAGLIA, 42016933, Infantry, United States Army. On 4 April 1945 in the vicinity of Oberkirehen, Germany, Pfc. Tartaglia's platoon was temporarily halted by enemy machine gun fire. Exposing himself to intense enemy machine gun fire, he assaulted the machine gun's placement, killing the machine gunner. This act enabled the platoon to advance and to accomplish their mission. Pfc. Tartaglia's courage and aggressiveness reflect credit upon himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade CLIFFORD LEE, 42081455, Infantry, United States Army. On 15 March 1945, during operations in the vicinity of St. Katharinen, Germany, Cpl. Lee, message center driver materially assisted in the success of operations by delivering overlays. Cpl. Lee was discovered by enemy observers, and as a result came under a withering concentration of artillery fire. Despite the murderous bursting of shells and hail of shrapnel, Cpl. Lee, with utter disregard for personal safety, continued into the face of fire until he reached the attacking company and delivered the overlays. Cpl. Lee's devotion to duty and courage were a credit to himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class ROBERT T. TULLIS, 38653017, Infantry, United States Army. On 12 December 1944, in the vicinity of Hoven, Germany, a unit of Company "A" became isolated under the ceaseless enemy shellfire. Pfc. Tullis, immediately volunteered for a patrol to consolidate the company. Despite the murderous shell fire in which the other member of the patrol was injured Pfc. Tullis continued on his mission until he established contact. He then returned under the same heavy fire. Pfc. Tullis' aggressive leadership and devotion to duty were directly responsible for the consolidation of the company and the ultimate capture of the town and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Louisiana.

III-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (see II Bul 3 1D 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain WILLIAM H. DALBON, O-465343, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 2 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

First Lieutenant ERIC L. DEWITT, O1045064, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army, during the period 6 June 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from South Carolina.

Technician Third Grade LORENCE E. LIVING, 31225769, Medical Detachment, United States Army, during the period 15 February 1945 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Massachusetts.

Private First Class GEORGE L. RICHARDS, 35616861, Infantry (armored), United States Army, during the period 15 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Ohio.

IV-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

BELGIUM

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Pfc Paul T. Jungling	33715783	INF	5 Sep 44	Pennsylvania

FRANCE

Pvt John Len	33435476	INF	16 Mar 45	Pennsylvania
Pfc Glen E. MacGowan	37884403	INF	16 Mar 45	Iowa
Pfc Jordan E. Zwicker	32859184	INF	12 Jul 44	New York
S Sgt Alfred W. Suchelli	32019569	INF	12 Jul 44	New York
Pvt James G. Coleman	55642109	INF	18 Sep 44	West Virginia
T Sgt Harold L. Buckley	35559764	INF	3 Aug 44	Ohio
Pfc Joseph W. D-Vita	32622601	INF	25 Jun 44	New York

GERMANY

S Sgt Elmer J. Walcott	36890330	INF	22 Mar 45	Michigan
S Sgt Bernard Viola	42165606	INF	17 Mar 45	New Jersey
Pfc Daniel L. Weidenhammer, Jr.	13178059	INF	20 Nov 44	Pennsylvania
Tec 5 George R. McCarthy	1002809	INF	15 Jan 45	Illinois
Tec 5 Vernon Henshoff	37411116	INF	1 Apr 45	Iowa
<i>Ray</i> Pfc August C. Eggert	37627410	INF	20 Dec 44	Missouri
Pfc Carl C. Madigan	35236149	INF	30 Sep 44	Ohio
Sgt Charles J. Bozendorfer	31348039	INF	14 Sep 44	Pennsylvania

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S Sgt Sylvester E. Boyle	36063773	INF	8 Aug 43	Oklahoma
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V-WARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

AFRICA

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Pfc John L. Cribb	34098331	INF	25 Apr 43	South Carolina

FRANCE

Tec Sgt Harold L. Buckley	35559764	INF	9 Aug 44	Ohio
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VI-WARD OF THE SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

GERMANY

			DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Tec Sgt Harold L. Buckley	35559764	INF	4 Oct 44	Ohio

VII-AMENDMENT OF ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders No. 57, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, dated 30 April 1945, awarding the Silver Star Posthumously to Corporal Earl W. Schaefer, 35596300, Infantry, as reads: "19 March 1945" is hereby amended to read: "12 March 1945".

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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ORIGINAL ORDER

6 December 1945

AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE	I
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I-AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under the provisions of War Department Circular 345, dated 23 August 1944, as amended, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to the following unit for superior performance of duty in the accomplishment of exceptionally difficult tasks:

Medical Detachment, 60th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, during the period 1 October 1944 to 31 March 1945.

II-AWARD OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43 D 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant DAVID L. NUDO, 39342937, Infantry, United States Army. During an attack on Allerode, Germany on 17 April 1945, Sgt. Nudo lead his bazooka team into position where an enemy self-propelled gun could be observed. At an opportune and decisive time he ordered the team to fire, instantaneously destroying the self-propelled gun. He then lead his platoon to overcome the other resistance, personally moving at its fore toward the objective in the face of withering enemy fire, and conducting himself with such utter disregard for personal safety that his men, inspired, followed him in attacking the high ground outside of Allerode with such courage that it was quickly taken. Sgt. Nudo's courage was, at all times, in keeping with the high traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Oregon.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES F. EVANS, (then private first class) 36448867, Infantry, United States Army. On 18 April 1945 in the vicinity of Friedingsburg, Germany, Sgt. Evans was the lead scout for the patrol sent out to locate a vehicle that had been ambushed which contained an operations map and other valuable papers. After reaching the point where the vehicle had been ambushed it was found that it had been moved. Sgt. Evans continued on alone locating it and six Germans. He crawled within a few yards of the vehicle and was fired on. Then he threw a grenade which killed two Germans and made the others flee. He singly located the important papers and accomplished the mission which had been assigned the whole platoon. His courageous actions reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Illinois.

III-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul 8 D 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Private First Class DONALD M. CODDINGTON, 12102485, Infantry, United States Army. On 30 July 1945, near Meosburg, Germany, Pfc. Coddington observed that his comrade had struck his head on a sharp rock when he dived in a stream. Without hesitating he dived into the water and succeeded in removing him from the stream. After rendering first aid he then carried his injured comrade four miles to the medical station. His prompt action saved the life of his comrade and is in accordance with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from New York.



IV-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant WILLIAM J. AYOUNG, 01294770, Infantry, United States Army. During an attack on Rehus, Germany on 22 March 1945, Lt. Ayoub led his men in a smashing force against the enemy. Encountering the enemy Lt. Ayoub and the lead scout plunged forward in a charge upon the hostile force, killing one, wounding another, and driving the remainder back. After taking the objective, Lt. Ayoub by personal reconnaissance discovered a group of enemy troops setting up a 20mm gun nearby. He immediately opened fire upon them, caused the entire hostile force to retreat and captured the 20mm gun. The aggressive leadership, alertness, and devotion to duty displayed by Lt. Ayoub saved his men from possible ambush, and was directly responsible for the successful capture of the objective. Entered military service from Arizona.

Captain ADELBERT F. TEAGUE, 0376195, Infantry, United States Army. On 20 April 1945, in the vicinity of Treuf, Germany, Capt. Teague realizing the seriousness of the situation because the First Platoon of the 65th Division Reconnaissance Troop had been forced out of the town, acted quickly and moved aggressively into the town before the enemy had time to organize defensive positions. Cognizant of the need for immediate action he did not wait for the supporting Tank Destroyer Unit but led Company C, 65th Division into the town under heavy small arms fire. Capt. Teague with his company drove through Treuf, completely disrupted and routed the German forces. The actions of Capt. Teague were in the highest traditions of the military service. Entered military service from New Hampshire.

Sergeant JOSEPH P. ELMONI, 39048068, Infantry, United States Army. On 21 November 1944, in the vicinity of Scherpenseel, Germany, Sgt. Elmoni's platoon was isolated from the Company Command Post because the line had been cut by enemy artillery fire. Alone, in inclement weather, he repaired the broken wire thereby enabling an observer to direct artillery fire on the enemy position and knock it out. This allowed the platoon to advance and take its objective. Later, Sgt. Elmoni courageously volunteered to take necessary food and ammunition to a platoon pinned down by heavy enemy fire and assisted in evacuating the wounded back to the aid station. Sgt. Elmoni's courage and aggressiveness were a credit to himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from California.

Sergeant THEOPHILE L. LASSEIGNE, 38654110, Infantry, United States Army. On 28 November 1944 at about 1900 "K" Company arrived at the Frenzerberg Castle which was under heavy enemy fire. Positions were fired upon continually and casualties were extremely high. Sgt. Lasseigne, then Private, was the ammunition bearer of a machine gun crew. When the other members of the crew became casualties Sgt. Lasseigne took over the machine gun and held the enemy off. Alone he held the positions until reinforcements could come up, resulting in the capture of seventeen Germans and the maintenance of a strategic position. Entered military service from Louisiana.

Second Lieutenant GEORGE T. HARANIS, 0552412, Infantry, United States Army. On 21 April 1945, in the vicinity of Neumarkt, Germany, Lt. Haranis, who was leader of the third platoon, Company I, 259th Infantry, lead his platoon to the south-east side of Neumarkt to contact the first battalion. Although the intervening ground was open and covered by enemy small arms and artillery fire, Lt. Haranis personally led his platoon to the summit of the hill, capturing twenty prisoners and forcing the enemy to withdraw from the observation post thereby allowing the third battalion to continue its attack upon the town. His courageous leadership was an inspiration to his men and was a credit to himself and the Armed Forces. Entered military service from Ohio.

V-AWARD OF SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel, HERMAN W. W. LANGE, 023402, Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 27 January 1945 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Illinois.

VI-AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 26 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

Colonel WILLIAM C. WESTMORELAND, 020223, Infantry, United States Army. During the period 23 July 1944 to 9 April 1945, Colonel Westmoreland voluntarily made repeated reconnaissance flights over enemy territory in order to determine the strong points in the enemy defenses. These flights often were made during adverse weather conditions and the observation plane, exposed to enemy observation at all times, was frequently under antiaircraft fire. Colonel Westmoreland's devotion to duty and courage contributed materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from South Carolina.

VII-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

			<u>II-IV</u>		
				DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
S Sgt Frank R. Spota	32117013	INF		1 Aug 43	New York
<u>FRANCE</u>					
S Sgt Frank S. Houser	33573254	INF		25 July 44	Pennsylvania
Pfc Edward P. Pontes	32975172	INF		17 July 44	New York
Pfc Howard W. Wise	32765473	INF		30 June 44	New Jersey
Pvt Domingo M. Garcia	36113444	INF		30 June 44	Texas
Pvt Robert E. Pierce	35785522	INF		31 Aug 44	Illinois
Pfc Ira F. Stanley	34664481	CE		1 Jan 45	North Carolina
<u>BELGIUM</u>					
Capt Edward M. Selfe, Jr.	0519570	INF		24 Jan 45	West Virginia
Sgt Alfred P. Henderson, Jr.	35222788	INF		1 Sep 44	Ohio
<u>GERMANY</u>					
Sgt William Gilter	32040890	INF		24 Sep 44	New York
Pfc Harold S. Barland	34939529	INF		17 Mar 45	Mississippi
Sgt James R. Bartlett	38806602	INF		16 Dec 44	Texas
Tac S Chester R. Buchowski	35894489	INF		12 Dec 44	Michigan
Pvt King J. Sing	32961071	INF		5 Oct 44	New York

VIII-REVOCATION OF ORDERS. In accordance of Section II, General Orders #106, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, dated 27 June 1945 as pertains to the award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for Merit to Captain Myman B. Coplan, 0336470, Medical Corps, United States Army, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL LDD:

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ORIGINAL ORDER 16 January 1945

- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM-- I
- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART- - - - - II
- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART- - - - - III

I- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM.  
 By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (see II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named officer:

First Lieutenant CLAUD S. GILLESPIE, 0292876, Infantry, United States Army. On 19 April 1945 near Ballenstadt, Germany, 1st Lt Gillespie's mortar platoon moving in convoy suddenly encountered heavy enemy tank and panzerfaust fire at a roadblock near Ballenstadt, Germany. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, he led four volunteers who exposed themselves to direct enemy fire to remove the roadblock. Then they moved the vehicles off the road to safety. Still under heavy enemy fire he directed the emplacement of mortars and machine guns and placed effective fire upon the enemy positions in support of the attacking rifle company. 1st Lt Gillespie's aggressive leadership, devotion to duty, and courageous actions contributed materially to the success of the operations and were a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from California.

II- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

	<u>FRANCE</u>	<u>DATE OF WOUND</u>	<u>ENTERED MIL SERVICE FR</u>
Tsgt 5 Everett E. Botsford	6371163	FA 16 Jul 44	New York
Pfc Richard J. Sikora	32669641	INF 25 Jan 45	New York
	<u>GERMANY</u>		
Pfc John M. Nahulak	35098249	INF 11 Dec 44	Indiana
S Sgt Ralph J. Smelley	38522270	INF 14 Mar 45	Louisiana
Pvt Wilfred E. Lemieux	31317622	INF 5 Mar 45	Maine
1st Lt WILLIAM V. CROSS	0551081	INF 17 Apr 45	Ohio

III- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wound received in action against the enemy in:

	<u>BELGIUM</u>		
Sgt Thomas M. Wheatley Jr	33581165	INF 5 Sep 44	Pennsylvania

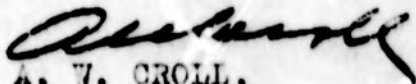
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GENERAL ORDER

31 January 1946

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT ----- I  
 AWARD OF AIR MEDAL ----- II  
 AWARD OF PURPLE HEART ----- III

I-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bul 3 WD 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant PAUL KORAN, 4205000, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 8 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

Staff Sergeant LEON WEINSTEIN, 4416416 (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 28 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade MELVIN R. SLIP, 39196440 (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 29 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Idaho.

Technician Fifth Grade DONALD A. RUNCIMAN, 39209823 (then Private First Class), Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 29 October 1944 to 8 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Washington.

II-AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, and Section I, Circular 6, Headquarters Third United States Army, dated 28 April 1944, the Air Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant JOSEPH W. HUBBARD, 0532141, Field Artillery, United States Army. While serving with the Army of the United States, Lt. Hubbard distinguished himself by meritorious achievement by participating in aerial flights in that he completed the required number of sorties during the period 29 March 1945 to 8 May 1945 as Liaison Observer in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Entered military service from Alabama.

III-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

	<u>GERMANY</u>	DATE OF WOUND	ENTERED MIL SV FR
Tsg 5 George O Culpepper Jr	38891947 INF	14 Mar 45	Oklahoma
Pvt Frank Szalacha	33694455 INF	9 Aug 44	Pennsylvania
Pfc George D. Batherall	34883537 INF	9 Aug 44	Tennessee

CO #9, Hq 9th Inf Div, APO 9, 31 January 1940, Cont'd

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ORIGINAL ORDER

8 February

AWARD OF PURPLE HEART ----- I

I-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in;

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

DATE OF WOUNDS  
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1st Lt ANTHONY M. LYDON 01299438 INF 19 Nov 44 California

Lt Col RANDALL H. BRYANT 0326050 FRANCE GSC 15 Jun 44 Virginia

Pvt Abraham Kaminkow 33882204 GERMANY INF 10 Mar 45 Maryland

~~Pfc Ralph M. Spurling 36785938 GERMANY INF 19 Mar 45 Illinois~~

*Award of Purple Heart by GPO 11-28 Feb. 1946*

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GENERAL ORDER

- AWARD OF SILVER STAR----- I
- AWARD OF BRONZE STAR AND BAR OR RIBBON----- II
- AWARD OF PURPLE HEART----- III
- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART----- IV
- REVOCAION OF ORDERS----- V

**I-AWARD OF SILVER STAR.** By direction of the President under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 43 W.D. 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade ROYCE E. PORRICO, 39719-21, Medical Detachment, United States Army, (then attached to Company G, 259th Infantry, 65th Infantry Division.) who distinguished himself in Germany on 18 March 1945 to 19 March 1945. During the attack on Saarbrücken, Germany, Sgt Porrigo continually entered heavily mined areas and without regard for his own safety, evacuated many of the wounded by carrying them on his back. Sgt Porrigo then joined a volunteer group which had been relieved from the line and again entered a heavily mined area in search of the wounded. Although subjected to heavy artillery fire, he directed litter bearers and infantrymen in the evacuation and treatment of the wounded. His courageous actions, inspiring leadership, and untiring devotion to duty were responsible for saving the lives of many of his comrades. Entered military service from California.

**II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR AND BAR OR RIBBON.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bul 3 W.D. 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant ROYER V. DAVIS, 3853841, (then Technician Fourth Grade) Field Artillery, United States Army, during the period 28 October 1944 to 1 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from Texas.

**III-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following, for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

GERMANY

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1st LT DONALD G. FINLEY

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**IV-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART.** Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

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Pfc Ralph H. Spurling	36785986	INF	D. To CG HOLD	AD To RGD HLSV FR	19 Mar 45	Illinois
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REVOCATION OF ORDERS. So much of Section I, General Orders #12, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, dated 8 February 1946 as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Pfc Ralph H. Spurling, 36785986, Infantry, United States Army, is revoked.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GERRILL McBRIDE:

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NUMBER 25)

ORIGINAL ORDER

- I MEDAL, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR - - - - - I
- AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL - - - - - II
- AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART - - - - - III
- AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL - - - - - IV

I-MEDAL, POSTHUMOUS, OF SILVER STAR. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub 43 10 1918), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded, posthumously, to the following-named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES T. EMERY, 36244547, Infantry, United States Army. During a fierce fight against the enemy in the vicinity of Altastenburg, Germany on 4 April 1945, Technician Fifth Grade Emery distinguished himself by gallantry in action. While on patrol his squad was ambushed and cut off from contact with their other forces by numerically superior enemy troops supported by tank fire. Technician Fifth Grade Emery, fully aware of the hazards involved and the odds against the success of his venture, voluntarily left the protection of his position in a vain attempt to break through the encircling enemy and bring aid to his embattled comrades. The exemplary courage and devotion to duty displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Emery in voluntarily sacrificing his life was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Military Service. Entered military service from Wisconsin.

II-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Pub 6 10 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Private First Class HENRY A. TUCKER, (then a private) 42065679, Infantry, United States Army, was distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual combat with the enemy near Bristatt, Germany on 11 January 1946. Pfc. Tucker, a private of the guard on an ammunition dump, saw that the guard hut, which was located in the vicinity of ammunition and explosives, burst into flames. With complete disregard for personal safety, he dashed into the blazing hut, and carried out the loose burning articles with his bare hands and then put the fire out by using his helmet liner as a bucket and getting water from a nearby mud puddle. This act averted a very possible fire and explosion in the ammunition dump itself. During this action Pfc. Tucker received second degree burns, and due to the fact that the communications were burnt out he could not call for relief. He stayed at his post till relieved two and a half hours later. Pfc. Tucker's heroic actions possibly saved many lives and reflects the highest credit upon himself on the Army of the United States. Entered military service from New York.

III-AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

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Pvt. Lyle E. Harkeopf	36912173	INF	15 Mar 45 Illinois

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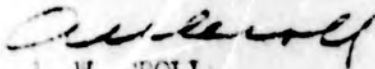
IV-AWARD OF GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Under the provisions of AR 600-68, dated 4 May 1943, the following enlisted men, 320th Headquarters Military Intelligence Detachment, having completed a minimum of one year of continuous active service in the Army of the United States with a character and efficiency rating of Excellent, are awarded Good Conduct Medals for their exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity:

Tec 3 Jack Freeman RA-39599856      Tec 4 Ralph Weil 33957396  
Tec 4 George A. Ruhe 42104876

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 23)

ORIGINAL ORDER

19 March 1945

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL	I
AWARD OF BRONZE STAR FOR HEROISM	II
AWARD OF PURPLE HEART	III
AMENDMENT OF ORDERS	IV

I-AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Pub. L. 69-120), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel FREDERICK C. FELL, 0285578, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual combat with the enemy in Germany on 18 June 1945. During an inspection of Fort Von der Tann, Gommersheim, Germany, a fire broke out at the Fort in which hundreds of American troops were working to remove over 2500 tons of high explosives and 700 tons of ammunition. With complete disregard for personal safety and in the face of exploding ammunition and blasts of flames, Colonel Fell unhesitatingly aided in directing the evacuation of all personnel along with certain valuable material. Although his face, hands and hair were so red by the repeated explosions which destroyed large sections of the building, he surveyed the interior at great personal risk to make certain that every man had been evacuated. Colonel Fell's heroic actions saved many lives and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the Army of the United States. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

II-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9119, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Pub. L. 76-11, 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Second Lieutenant LEWIS GILLI, 02007017, Infantry, (then Staff Sergeant, Company A, 410 Infantry), who distinguished himself on 25-26 January 1945, in the vicinity of Schillersdorf, France. During a counter attack against the heavily protected towns of Schillersdorf occupied by a battalion of fanatical SS troops, Lt. Gilli unhesitatingly assumed command of the decimated platoon upon the death of its platoon leader and platoon sergeant. He led his platoon in the house to house fighting, refusing evacuation even when momentarily rendered unconscious by an enemy grenade. With utter disregard for personal safety he continued to inspire his company by destroying two machine gun nests and killing and wounding several German soldiers. By such courageous actions and leadership he contributed materially to the success of the battalion in the capture of Schillersdorf. His tireless devotion to duty and personal courage reflect credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States. Entered military service from Illinois.

III-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

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*reworked per GO 19  
by 91 of div 13 July 49  
29 Aug 49  
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DATE OF ENTRY  
CIVIL SERVICE

1st Lt <u>DOMINIC G. FINLEY</u>	01314507	INF	2 Apr 45	Missouri
Pfc <u>Adam Jureitka</u>	37524682	INF	14 Mar 45	Missouri
Pvt <u>W. H. H. H. H. H. H.</u>	38912173	INF	12 Mar 45	Illinois

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1. REVISION OF O DEAS. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 19, Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, dated 28 February 1946, regarding the Purple Heart to 1st Lt. DOMINIC G. FINLEY, 05376899, Field Artillery, as regards: "0512632" is hereby amended to read: "05376899".

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL CHAIRMAN: CHAIRMAN:

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AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT ----- I  
AWARD OF PURPLE HEART ----- II

I-AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR MERIT. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II Bul 3 WD 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following named officers:

Captain WILLIAM H. MORAN, (then 1st Lieutenant) O-1491276, Infantry, United States Army, during the period 20 September 1944 to 3 May 1945 in the European Theater of Operations. Entered military service from New York.

II-AWARD OF PURPLE HEART. Under the provisions of A. 600-45, dated 22 September 1943, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following, for wounds received in action against the enemy in:

GERMANY

				DATE OF	ENTERED
				AWARD	MIL SV FR
1st Lt	JOHN ROSKOSKI	01825259	FA	20 Feb 45	Pennsylvania

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GENERAL ORDERS)

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27)✓

4 June 1946

AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM  
AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

I - AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (See II Bul 3 WD 1944) and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel RAY L. INZER, (then Major) 01288560, Infantry, United States Army, who distinguished himself by heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 7 April 1945 in the vicinity of Opperde, Germany. His leading company in an attack upon enemy positions was surprised by two enemy machine guns supported by approximately forty riflemen armed with rifles and automatic weapons. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Colonel Inzer exposed himself to enemy fire and observation to bring forward his machine gun section and placed them in positions that enabled them to silence the two enemy guns. His aggressive actions resulted in killing six of the enemy, wounding fifteen and capturing twelve while the leading company suffered only minor casualties. Colonel Inzer's inspiring leadership, devotion to duty and timely actions contributed materially to the capture of over 260 prisoners without serious loss of his own men and reflect great credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Michigan.

II - AWARD OF OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (See II Bul 3 WD 1944), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement not involving participation in aerial flight in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded the following named officer:

First Lieutenant EDWARD W. SAMUELL JR., 026668, Cavalry, Regular Army, (then Platoon Leader, 71st Cavalry Reconnaissance Troops Mechanized), distinguished himself on 24 March 1945 in the vicinity of Germersheim, Germany. Advancing under a heavy barrage of enemy small arms and artillery fire, Lt. Samuell, without regard for personal safety, exposed himself by riding on the turret of the leading armored car in order to direct his platoon to strategic positions. When two of his men were trapped by direct enemy fire, he again exposed himself in a vain attempt to rescue them. The enemy sighted and fired upon him making withdrawal impossible. Meanwhile another armored car drew the fire away from him making possible a retreat to his platoon. Later Lt. Samuell unhesitatingly ventured forward to dismount a machine gun from a disabled armored car in order to provide additional covering fire and at the same time acted as a mortar observer to destroy the enemy position. He then withdrew with the remainder of his platoon including the two men who had managed to return. Lt. Samuell's

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ourageous notions and aggressive leadership aided materially to the success of the operations. Entered military service from Arizona.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL McBRIDE:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 28)

13 June 1946

AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bul 8 WD 1926), and pursuant to authority in AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to the following named Officer:

Second Lieutenant JACKIE F. SAMFORD, O-1338597, Infantry, US Army, who distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with the enemy on 11 May 1946 in Erlatatt, Germany. Lt. Samford, while in charge of destroying an enemy ammunition dump, saw a pile of TNT burst into flame and immediately gave the pre-arranged signal to clear the dump. All present immediately started to run for cover and the dump commenced to explode almost simultaneously. However, six men were left in a fox-hole previously dug for such an occasion through Lt. Samford's foresight. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Lt Samford worked his way twice thru flying fragments and exploding small arms and led the men to safety. Later, when all but one man was still unaccounted for, he again worked his way towards the inferno in an attempt to locate the missing man but was finally ordered away. Through his excellent judgement, foresight, quick thinking and repeated voluntary risk of his life, Lt Samford was an inspiration to all who worked with him, a credit to himself and to the Armed Forces of the United States. Entered military service from Texas.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL McBRIDE:

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NUMBER.....19 )

13 July 1949

So much of General Orders Number 23, Headquarters 9th Infantry Division, dated 19 March 1946, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Adam Spreitler, 37 634 662, is revoked. Authority: Department of the Army, Office of the Adjutant General, Records Administration Center, St. Louis 20, Missouri, file AGRS-DA 201-Spreitler. Serial, Sr. 37 634 662 (8 Jul 49), subject: Withdrawal of General Orders, dated 8 July 1949.

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13. Having reported per par 13 HQ 128 FAS Ft Bliss Okla as the VOCC on 13 Jun 44 atch following named effs unaged to orgns indicated is confirmed and made of record.

14. Sgt Dominick F Casano 29064972 Co C 28th Inf and 3 Sgt Peter J. DiStasio 2907148 Co D 28th Inf AF Denver Colo report upon arrival to the CO Buckley Field airport as armed etc to ret this via Pvt Robert C Walker 13021806 Co C 28th Inf and Pvt Charles F Vann 29427943 Co D 28th Inf now held conf that etc.

TO will pay two V.  
In accordance with AR 35-4020 2 Sgt Casano is auth to sign and receive warrant for, and TO will pay in adv monetary allowance of rat for two (2) men (prisoners) for two-thirds (2/3) of a day each way trip. TO will pay in adv monetary allowance of rat for two (2) men (etc) for one (1) day each round trip. Cost of V and increased cost of subs for the four men will be charged against the accounts of the prisoners in accordance with par 13 AR 312-300.   
TIM 1-2800 P 43425 A 312/40425, 7-26 P 411-07 A 312/40425.  
Auth: Par 13 AR 312-300 30 Jan 43.

14. Maj EDWARD MURPHY 0891407 Inf 10th Inf is placed on SD with G-3 Section 10th Inf Div for a period of sixty (60) days, eff immediately.

15. Having reported per par 25 SQ 128 FAS Ft Bliss Okla as the VOCC on 13 Jun 44 atch following named effs unaged to orgns indicated is confirmed and made of record.

Sd Lt LEONARD ELI IOT 0466796 FA to 604th FA Bn  
Sd Lt JAMES R STEWART 0188636 FA to 608th FA Bn.

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8 February 1945

GENERAL ORDER )

NUMBER 1 ) SILVER STAR MEDAL--POSTHUMOUS AWARD

Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named enlisted man:

HAROLD J. HALL, 31241711, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on the night of 21 January 1945, near Rocca Corneta, Italy. Leading a patrol, which was ambushed while advancing on a house, Technical Sergeant HALL, with utter disregard for personal safety, moved over ground swept by enemy machine gun, machine pistol and grer to fire to initiate and direct the defense of his patrol. Although favorable enemy position and excellent visibility made the slightest movement extremely hazardous, he continued to move among his men, aiding and reassuring them, until struck and mortally wounded by a machine gun burst. Nearing death, he was more concerned for the welfare of his men than for himself, and organized their withdrawal. His inspirational leadership enabled the patrol to successfully withdraw with a minimum of casualties. The aggressiveness and courage of Technical Sergeant HALL under fire reflect the highest traditions of the Armed Forces. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary E. Hall (Mother), 92 Park Street, North Attleboro, Massachusetts.

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GENERAL ORDER )  
NUMBER 3 )

**AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL**

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named officers:

DONALD J. WOOLLEY, O280460, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action near Montefegatesi, Italy, on 26 January 1945. Entered military service from Boulevard, Virginia.

IRVING H. JOHNSON, O1311396, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action near Montefegatesi, Italy, on 26 January 1945. Entered military service from Iron Mountain, Michigan.

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ORIGINAL ORDER  
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GENERAL ORDER )  
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NUMBER 4 )

Section I Award of Silver Star  
Section II Award of Bronze Star

I. Award of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

ROBERT W. SCHOONMAKER, 6671040, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 25 January 1945, near Querciola, Italy. For two and one half hours a German raiding party attacked a point held by Private First Class SCHOONMAKER'S Squad. Although wounded severely about the head and shoulders early in the fight, he held off repeated attacks until his machine gun was damaged by an enemy grenade. Weakening rapidly from loss of blood, he continued his successful resistance with hand grenades until evacuated over his protest by his platoon leader. By his courage and selfless devotion to duty he prevented superior forces from overrunning the entire position. Entered the military service from Forestport, New York. 86th Mt Inf

II. Award of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

RAY WILSON, 6558013, Technical Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious service in action on 6 February 1945, near Sestione, Italy. Entered military service from San Francisco, California. 87th Mt Inf

JOHN A. NICHOLS, 35834661, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered military service from Belmos, Ohio. 86th Mt Inf

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ORIGINAL ORDER  
17 February 1945

GENERAL ORDER )  
NUMBER 5 )

Section I Award of Bronze Star  
Section II Award of Combat Infantryman Badge

I. Award of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

✓ MOUNT C. WILE, O543446, Second Lieutenant, Infantry / 86th Mt Inf United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Piansenatico, Italy. Entered the military service from Fresno, California.

II. Award of Combat Infantryman Badge.

Under the provisions of War Department Circular 408 of 1944, the following named officers and enlisted men, 10th Mountain Infantry and Tank Battalion, are awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy:

*duplicate given to Shapiro*

2d Lt JAMES R. STERNET	01185635	2d Lt JOHN BRIDGEWATER	01327809
T Sgt Christopher Robinson	35415321	S Sgt Elmer N Anderson	37451690
Sgt Nicholas Magarev	36072019	Sgt Rymaldo V Trevino	38114221
Tec 4 Abner Jones	35461576	Cpl James C Luno	37214676
Cpl Bernie R. Crossfield	18089842	Cpl Jessie J Casto	35758871
Cpl Buster Lewis	34800182	Cpl Chester Stark	33450705
Pfc Theodore Bonkosky	36599535	Pfc Norman L Brooks	37701964
Pfc Jack H Burrows	35729644	Pfc Jose H T Chiaffino	39858788
Pfc Juan Espitia	39859235	Pfc Carmen Eternicka	36815013
Pfc Chester W Garstka	35273400	Pfc Manuel A Grant	34373242
Pfc Robert F Kinney	33436972	Pfc Eugene A McClafferty	35173416
Pfc Austin R Stephens	38461190	Pfc Robert Unbehauen	32914652
Pfc Esteban F Valez	38361378	Pvt Ernest W Cabe Jr	34863373
Pvt Julius Goetzelt	12272102	Pvt Earl E Howard	35838577
Pvt Bernard J Kowal	37739401	Pvt Brewer Robinson	34806564
Pvt Robert C Robinson	3216255	Pvt Dean J	35082783
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By command of Major General HAYS:

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AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

✓ *86th Mt Inf \**  
CARL E. CASPERSON, 31295535, Staff Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Mount Pipe Campian, Italy. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

✓ HAIG DAVIDSON, 31276227, Staff Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, near Rocca Corneta, Italy. Entered the military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

✓ HAROLD S. MOYER, 31827728, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, near Rocca Corneta, Italy. Entered the military service from Utica, New York.

By command of Major General HAYS:

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10TH MOUNTAIN DIVISION  
APO 345, US ARMY

ORIGINAL ORDER

27 February 1945

GENERAL ORDER )  
NUMBER 8 )

- I Appointment of 2d Lt George J. Hays as Aide-de-Camp to Major General Hays
- II Awards of Bronze Star Medal
- III Award of Soldier's Medal

I. Announcement is made of the appointment of 2d Lt George J. Hays, 0556929, Infantry, Headquarters, 10th Mountain Division, as Aide-de-Camp to Major General George B. Hays, effective this date.

II. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

*TT* ✓ JOHN B. VAUGHN, 34809428, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Camp la di Rocchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Birmingham, Alabama. Hq Co 10th Mt Div

✓ ALBERT W. NEILAN, 3984741, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 10 February 1945, near Polla, Italy. Entered the military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. 87th Mt Inf

III. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

✓ ROBERT W. GOBBLER, 148293, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict on 13 January 1945, near San Marcello, Italy, acting instantaneously and at great risk to his own safety, Sergeant GOBBLER dashed into a blazing, smoke-filled squad room which contained explosives and small arms ammunition, and snatching a flaming can of gasoline, darted across the room and threw it out of the window. Then with the aid of soldiers billeted nearby, he brought the fire under control, thereby preventing serious injury to personnel and holding loss of Government property to a minimum. Sergeant GOBBLER'S quick thinking and personal courage in the face of danger is exemplary of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts. 87th Mt Inf

By command of Major General HAYS:

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GENERAL ORDER )

NUMBER 6 )

BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-43, as amended, Bronze Star Medals awarded to the following named enlisted men:

✓ **CARL E. CASPERSON**, 31295535, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 86th Mt Inf United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 17 January 1945, near Mount Pipo Campian, Italy. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts. *\**

✓ **HARIG DAVIDSON**, 31276227, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, 86th Mt Inf United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, near Rocca Corneta, Italy. Entered the military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

✓ **HAROLD S. HAYS**, 31857228, Private First Class, Infantry, 86th Mt Inf United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 January 1945, near Rocca Corneta, Italy. Entered the military service from Utica, New York.

By command of Major General HAYS:

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24 February 1945

GENERAL ORDER )  
NUMBER 8 )

- I Appointment of 2d Lt George J. Hays as Aide-de-Camp to Major General Hays
- II Awards of Bronze Star Medal
- III Award of Soldier's Medal

I. Announcement is made of the appointment of 2d Lt George J. Hays, 0556929, Infantry, Headquarters, 10th Mountain Division, as Aide-de-Camp to Major General George B. Hays, effective this date.

II. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

Hq Co 10th Mt Div

✓ JOHN B. VAUGHN, 34709422, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Capri di Korchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

87th Mt Inf

✓ ALBERT A. NEELAN, 38847741, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 10 February 1945, near Polla, Italy. Entered the military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

III. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

87th Mt Inf

ROBERT W. GOMBAL, 11098293, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism not involving actual conflict on 13 January 1945, near San Marcello, Italy. Acting instantaneously and at great risk to his own safety, Sergeant GOMBAL dashed into a blazing, smoke-filled squad room which contained explosives and small arms ammunition, and snatching a flaming can of gasoline, darted across the room and threw it out of the window. Then with the aid of soldiers billeted nearby, he brought the fire under control, thereby preventing serious injury to personnel and holding loss of Government property to a minimum. Sergeant GOMBAL'S quick thinking and personal courage in the face of danger is exemplary of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts.

By command of Major General HAYS:

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26 February 1945

GENERAL ORDER )  
NUMBER 9 )

ORIGINAL ORDER

- I appointment of 1st Lt Floyd D Allen Jr as  
Aide-de-Camp to Major General Hays.
- II appointment of 1st Lt Rawleigh Warner Jr as  
Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General Ruffner.
- III award of Bronze Star

I. 1st Lt Floyd D. Allen Jr, O1175627, Headquarters, 10th Mountain Division  
artillery, is relieved as Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General David L. Ruffner, and  
his appointment as Aide-de-Camp to Major General George P. Hays, is announced.

II. 1st Lt Rawleigh Warner Jr, O528944, Headquarters, 10th Mountain Division,  
is relieved as Aide-de-Camp to Major General George P. Hays, and his appointment  
as Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General David L. Ruffner, is announced.

III. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze  
Star medal is awarded to the following named officer:

~~MEDAL~~ W. WATSON, O327485, Major, General Staff Corps, United States Army.  
For meritorious service in support of combat operations in Italy, during the per-  
iod 23 December 1944, to 30 January 1945. Entered the military service from  
Greenville, Texas.

By command of Major General HAYS:

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27 February 1945

GENERAL ORDER )

NO. 10 )

Section I Award of Silver Star  
Section II Award of Combat Infantryman Badge  
Section III Award of Combat Infantryman Badge

I. Award of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

HENRY J. HAMPTON, 0276713, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near La Ca, Italy. When an infantry platoon of his command, isolated for several hours on a plateau, had exhausted their ammunition beating off repeated enemy attacks, Lieutenant Colonel HAMPTON organized and personally led a relief party to effect rescue of the besieged platoon. Heavy ambushes had successfully halted several previous attempts of relief parties to reach the harassed unit. Inspiring his men by his fearless conduct Lieutenant Colonel HAMPTON moved and directed the relief party under his command across a knife-edged ridge. Engaging the enemy with expert adjustment of superior tactics and accurate fire, he was able to route the enemy and effect a forward advance of the relief party. Later, Lieutenant Colonel HAMPTON boldly advanced into the face of more enemy fire, captured a bunker, and killed its lone enemy occupant. Then effecting relief of the isolated platoon, he organized defensive positions on the captured ridge. Throughout the action his conspicuous courage, heroic leadership and personal initiative combined with his own disregard for personal safety were significant factors in encouraging his men to attack and defeat the enemy. His exemplary conduct under fire and fearless leadership merit lofty praise and is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Oakland, California.

II. Award of Combat Infantryman Badge.

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 408, 17 October 1944 a Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to each of the following named officers, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy during February 1945 in the Apennine Mountains, Italy.

RAYMOND G. BERLOW, 012379, Colonel, Infantry, Commanding Officer, 88th Mountain Infantry, 10th Mountain Division.

CLARENCE M. THOMPSON, 014808, Colonel, Infantry, Commanding Officer, 88th Mountain Infantry, 10th Mountain Division.

DAVID M. FOWLER, 015003, Colonel, Infantry, Commanding Officer, 87th Mountain Infantry, 10th Mountain Division.

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III. Award of Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 429, 19 October 1944, the following named officers and enlisted men, 10th Mountain Infantry and Tank Battalion, are awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy:

Major L. H. HOLLAND - MONS 0634208

Sgt Jack E Thomas	38542558	S Sgt John L. Trinke	38542558
James J. Lenihan	31096188	Cpl Edward L. Harris	38542558
Charles Mesquita	38540188	Cpl Bert E. Willis Jr	38542558
Charles F. Brown	38698809	Pfc Joseph A. Goto	38542558
Richard O. Nelson	38745377	Pfc Marvin Rubin	38542558
Joseph Paltmeyer	36747161	Pfc Albert L. Goodman	38542558
John J. Grogan	31544318	Pfc Joseph McDade	38542558
Donald F. Fedvin	38990841	Pfc Ernest G. Pitman	38542558
Edward P. Thomas	37609107	Pvt Robert P. LeMay	38542558
Edward Scott	37517874	Pvt Tony S. Villagosa	38542558

By command of Major General Hays:

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GENERAL ORDER )

NUMBER 11 )

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

**PAUL BURGE**, 0266315, Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Mt Della Terraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Durham, North Carolina. Hq 10th Mt Div

**HAROLD C. WINTZ**, 33102195, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Lewistown, Pennsylvania. Med Det 87th Mt Inf

**LYLE L. WILLIAMS**, 20914632, Technician Fourth Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Ogden, Utah. Med Det 87th Mt Inf

**DANIEL J. MILLER**, 39047894, private, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from San Francisco, California. Med Det 87th Mt Inf

**ELMER R. SHEPHERD**, 15040890, Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Charleston, West Virginia. Med Det 87th Mt Inf

**THEODORE H. SCHULT**, 12147415, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York. Med Det 87th Mt Inf

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A BRASS OF BRONZE STAR

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

**87th Mt Inf**  
ROBERT L. McCALL, 39389508, Technician Third Grade, Medical Department, / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Bremerton, Washington.

**87th Mt Inf**  
WALTER L. THOMPSON, 14026220, Corporal, Medical Department, / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Knoxville, Tennessee.

**87th Mt Inf**  
PAUL W. GOLDEN, 6885557, Technical Sergeant, Infantry / United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Pavia, Italy. Entered the military service from Scranton, Pennsylvania.

**87th Mt Inf**  
CASPER F. COOK, 31117690, Staff Sergeant, Infantry / United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Pavia, Italy. Entered the military service from Portland, Maine.

**87th Mt Inf**  
ALGER WALKER, 36010199, Staff Sergeant, Infantry / United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Pavia, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**87th Mt Inf**  
ROBERT C. GREGORY, 38275518, Private First Class, Infantry, / United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Pavia, Italy. Entered the military service from Caddo, Oklahoma.

**87th Mt Inf**  
THEODORE BARRON, 12037210, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, at Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**  
BUD W. COX, 39911240, Private First Class, Infantry, / United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 25 January 1945, near Fianzenatico, Italy. Entered the military service from Salt Lake City, Utah.

by command of Major General HAYS:

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GENERAL ORDER )

NUMBER 13 )

ORIGINAL ORDER -

Section I Awards of Bronze Star  
Section II Posthumous Awards of Bronze Star

I. Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

✓ EVERETT T. PYBURN, 6653934, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Hazard, Kentucky.

✓ ANDY F. SABO, 33938455, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Washington, Pennsylvania.

✓ JOHN A. TIMMILL, 38208594, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Perryville, Arkansas.

✓ ROBERT C. ERICKSON, 20234745, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from East Orange, New Jersey.

✓ FREDERICK W. HUGHES, 37329288, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

✓ JOHN F. McINERNEY, 31276072, Technician Fifth Grade, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

✓ ZYOMUNT A. OLSEWSKI, 33081145, Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Erie, Pennsylvania.

✓ WILLIAM M. KENNEDY, JR, 33191811, Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Polla, Italy. Entered the military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

✓ CECIL H. GRIMES, 35799998, Private, Medical Department, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Prada, Italy. Entered the military service from Paris, Kentucky.

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II. Posthumous Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded, posthumously, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

87th Mt Inf

✓ GEORGE A. FELCH, O184333, Major, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Spokane, Washington.

87th Mt Inf

✓ GEORGE H. DAY JR, 11101480, Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

By command of Major General HAYS:

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GENERAL ORDER )

ORIGINAL ORDER 9

NUMBER 14 )

- I Rescission of publication
- II Award of Silver Star, Posthumous
- III Award of Silver Star
- IV Awards of Bronze Star, Posthumous
- V Awards of Bronze Star

I Rescission of publication.

Section II, General Order No. 13, this headquarters, 2 March 1945, POSTHUMOUS AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR, is hereby rescinded.

II Award of Silver Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named officer:

William H. Millman, 0474770, First Lieutenant, Medical Corps/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February, 1945, near Corvara, Italy. When concentrated enemy mortar fire threatened to annihilate a battalion command post and its accompanying aid station, First Lieutenant Millman, with extraordinary fidelity to duty and at great risk to his own safety repeatedly left protective cover to offer prompt medical attention to wounded personnel. During an especially heavy barrage Lieutenant Millman heard a cry for "Medics". Promptly and without hesitation he rose but before he could crawl from his fox hole, he was mortally wounded by fragments from a bursting shell. His selfless, conscientious devotion to duty and his conspicuous gallantry in action has served as a motivating force driving his associates to greater achievement. His faithful devotion to his humanitarian duties merits honor and nobility in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Next of Kin: William A. Millman, father, 2113 East Kensington Boulevard, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. 87th Mt Inf

III Award of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

ALVIN S. BARKETT, 01645362, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers/Eng United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. When a lead tank attempting movement through heavily enemy mined area struck a mine killing three men within the tank and setting it afire, First Lieutenant BARKETT with dashing courage and at great risk to his own life climbed atop the flaming tank to effect rescue of its commander just before 75mm ammunition in the tank began to explode. With heroic diligence he removed the tank commander to a zone of safety where he could be treated for serious injuries. Because of First Lieutenant BARKETT'S daring action in the face of grave danger, the life of the tank commander was saved. His conspicuous heroism, intrepidity and valor is outstandingly praiseworthy and in keeping with the loftiest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 126th

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**IV Awards of Bronze Star, Posthumous.**

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named officer and enlisted man:  
87th Mt Inf

GEORGE A. FELCH, 0184333, Major, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Spokane, Washington. Next of kin: Mrs. Howard S. Dyell sister, 708 East 26th Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

87th Mt Inf

GEORGE H. DAY JR, 11101480, Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut. Next of kin: Mrs. Georgia Francis Day, wife, 19 North Beacon Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

**V Awards of Bronze Star.**

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Hq 10th Mt Div

JOSEPH WALKER, JR, 0411900, Major, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious service in support of combat operations during the period 11 February 1945, to 27 February 1945, near Lizzano in Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Columbia, South Carolina.

85th Mt Inf

GEORGE DORRINGTON, 0392202, Captain, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Laramie, Wyoming.

85th Mt Inf

KENNETH H. ENGLAND, 0449400, Captain, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Campbellburg, Kentucky.

85th Mt Inf

KENNETH L. IGGLESTON, 01325637, First Lieutenant, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Venton, Iowa.

85th Mt Inf

THOMAS E. TERRY, 0536042, First Lieutenant, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

85th Mt Inf

CHARLES E. HAUPTMAN, 0538200, Second Lieutenant, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Lincoln, Nebraska.

85th Mt Inf

FRITTON C. VAN HORN, 39337872, Staff Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Capra di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

85th Mt Inf

SAM L. LYRIE, 35072740, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Della Torracca, Italy. Entered the military service from Oxingsville, Kentucky.

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V Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

85th Mt Inf  
NORMAN E. NOBLE, 42021123, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

85th Mt Inf  
DWAYNE C. WHITEHEAD, 31268053, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

85th Mt Inf  
EUGENE L. FRIEDMAN, 16125240, Private, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

By command of Major General HAYS:

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WITHDRAWAL OF GENERAL ORDER

So much of General Order 14, Headquarters 10th Mountain Division, dated 3 March 1945, as pertains to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to George A. Felch, O 104 333, is withdrawn.

The above-named General Order represents a duplicate award of the Bronze Star Medal as announced in General Order 13, Headquarters 10th Mountain Division, dated 2 March 1945.

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4 March 1945

GENERAL ORDER )

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NUMBER 15 )

- I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous
- II Awards of Bronze Star, Posthumous
- III Awards of Bronze Star
- IV Award of Purple Heart

I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

MICHAEL BOSTONIA, 33938591, Private, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. When a party carrying .50 caliber machine gun ammunition from a supply dump to forward positions was ambushed by the enemy and the first burst of fire wounded the party's leader, Private Bostonia, a member of the party, without benefit of combat experience, quickly and efficiently engaged the enemy with his carbine. He killed an enemy machine gunner with the first shot and thereafter by accurate fire inflicted casualties on the enemy until the machine gun was silenced. Covered by his fire the party withdrew to safety. He then unflinchingly and with a great display of battle wisdom reorganized the party and assisted in evacuation of wounded personnel. Undaunted but fatigued after four previous trips up the steep slope, Private Bostonia volunteered to patrol the ridge, scene of the enemy ambush and clear it of the enemy. Shortly thereafter he was struck and mortally wounded while performing that task. His gallant heroism, instantaneous leadership, selfless devotion to duty and conspicuous initiative in the heat of combat furnished inspiration to all observing it. Entered the military service from Washington, Pennsylvania. Next of kin: James Bostonia, Father, 328 West Chestnut Street, Washington, Pennsylvania.

II Award of Bronze Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

LOUIE A. ORDAZ, 39687640, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>87th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Hanford, California. Next of kin: Natalie Ordez, Mother, Route No. 4, Box 248, Visalia, California.

III Awards of bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded the following named officers and enlisted men:

SEISS E. WAGNER, 018569, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, <sup>88th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torraccia. Entered the military service from Washington, District of Columbia.

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III Awards of Bronze Star. (Cont'd)

**87th Mt Inf**

DEANE C. WATSON 0537623, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Tampa, Florida.

**87th Mt Inf**

JAMES ANDERSON III, 01327404, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from New York City, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

THOMAS P BOYD, 31281377, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Waterbury, Connecticut.

**87th Mt Inf**

LOUIS H. BERGMAN, 36680470, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Floria, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**86th Mt Inf**

CARL N. LLOYD, 13184729, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Wayne, Pennsylvania.

**86th Mt Inf**

STANLEY P. MILANOWSKI, 36168983, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

**87th Mt Inf**

OLAF E. OLSEN, 39600645, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Great Falls, Montana.

**86th Mt Inf**

LLOYD C. ZINK, 20933108, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

**87th Mt Inf**

BERNARD BARUCK, 12094319, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

**87th Mt Inf**

JOHN E. LANCE, 12079484, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Floria, Italy. Entered the military service from Troy, New York.

**87th Mt Inf**

STANLEY E. LESZKO, 11039227, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Floria, Italy. Entered the military service from Rutland, Vermont.

**86th Mt Inf**

KURT RESS 32803040, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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III Awards of Bronze Star. (Cont'd)

87th Mt Inf

RICHARD E. SCHROEDER, 37161588, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

86th Mt Inf

LORENZE VOIZINE, 31324219, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from New Britain, Connecticut.

87th Mt Inf

JOHN A. SCHLOSS, 19124102, Corporal, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from Glendive, Montana.

87th Mt Inf

JOHN H. EASTMAN, 11039227, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Florina, Italy. Entered the military service from Laconic, New Hampshire.

86th Mt Inf

NICHOLAS R. MACHOSO, 33777316, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

86th Mt Inf

PHILLIP H. BUTLER, 31430069, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Worcester, Massachusetts.

87th Mt Inf

HARLEY M. CASS, 31370583, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Beverly, Massachusetts.

86th Mt Inf

GERALD L. HENDRYX, 39208322, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Seattle, Washington.

87th Mt Inf

ALOIS J. HOLLER, 42055213, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. Entered the military service from New Rochelle, New York.

87th Mt Inf

DENNIS H. HUNTLEY, 39198740, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Florina, Italy. Entered the military service from Seattle, Washington.

87th Mt Inf

ANDREW KEREKES, 35838794, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Florina, Italy. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

87th Mt Inf

GLEN R. LAMBERTSON, 37364589, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Florina, Italy. Entered the military service from Boulder, Colorado.

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III Awards of Bronze Star. (Cont'd)

**86th Mt Inf**

JOHN M. PEARBODY, 32916311, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

**86th Mt Inf**

SAM POVELLA, 42085064, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from White Plains, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

DAVID D. RANKINE, 31447854, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

**86th Mt Inf**

HARRY J. REINIG, 39416072, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Helena, Montana.

**87th Mt Inf**

EDWARD D. STOCKWICK, 32733780, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Batavia, New York.

**87th Mt Inf**

GEORGE C. WARDNER, 31267050, Private First Class, Medical Department, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Floria, Italy. Entered the military service from Nashua, New Hampshire.

**86th Mt Inf**

JOHN J. YARBORING, 32720292, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

JOSEPH M. ZAPIEN, 37523479, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

**86th Mt Inf**

WILFRED J. BURKITT, 32455277, Private, Medical Department, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Laywood, New Jersey.

**87th Mt Inf**

BILL ELBERTSON, 39150057, Private, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California.

**86th Mt Inf**

LEON GOODSON, 38469483, Private, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Texarkana, Arkansas.

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III Awards of Bronze Star. (Cont'd)

**86th Mt Inf**  
ALVIN J. NELL, 38687606, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Waco, Texas.

**86th Mt Inf**  
MERRILL PEATON, 39580351, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from San Pedro, California.

**86th Mt Inf**  
GLAYDON D. WOLFE, 38711140, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

IV Award of Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted man for wounds received in action against the enemy:

EDWARD J. ROGERS, 20235615, First Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, Italy, 1 March 1945. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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NUMBER 16 ) I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous  
II Awards of Bronze Star  
III Awards of Purple Heart  
IV Awards of Combat Infantryman Badge

I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-10, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

LEE L. CHEW, 39474264, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. When a hail of enemy automatic, small arms and artillery fire burst upon an infantry company advancing across open terrain, causing casualties and some confusion, Private First Class CHEW gallantly seized the initiative and charged an enemy machine gun nest, drawing most of the enemy fire in his direction and allowing his company to quickly reorganize. Ensuing enemy fire killed Private First Class CHEW, but by his act of heroism, he had inspired his comrades to redouble their efforts of attack and soon thereafter they had captured the enemy strongpoint. His self-sacrifice, daring initiative, and noble defiance of the enemy saved many lives and spirited his comrades to greater effort. Such conspicuous courage exemplifies the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Seattle, Washington. Next of kin: Quay Fong Chew, father, 118 1/2 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

II Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

ROLAND L. OSGOOD, 31176927, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

JOSEPH B EULA, 31331651, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from South Norwalk, Connecticut.

JAMES E. GERRARD, 31312429, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

WALTER O. TOFWILL, 32867341, Technician Fourth Grade, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 20 February 1945, to 23 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Jackson Heights, New York.

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II Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

DALE A. CHIBALD, 39917941, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Murray, Utah.

86th Mt Inf

KENNETH V. MATHIAS, 42024343, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Watertown, New York.

86th Mt Inf

JOHN E. CONNERS, 31243893, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

86th Mt Inf

RICHARD H. DOUGHTY, 31282629, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Bangor, Maine.

87th Mt Inf

RAYMOND F. FARLEY, 42001234, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Caldwell, New Jersey.

86th Mt Inf

ALBERT V. FERNANDES, 32793744, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

86th Mt Inf

ANDREW GOLDSTEIN, 32712329, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 18 February 1945, near Mt. Cappel Buso, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

86th Mt Inf

HOWARD J. GULFNER, 39704178, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California.

86th Mt Inf

GUNTHER C. HEEREN, 36681046, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Cappel Buso, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

86th Mt Inf

WILLIAM H. JULIAN, 18099016, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Tyler, Texas.

86th Mt Inf

THOMAS H. KENNEDY, JR., 42084350, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Oneonta, New York.

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II Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

✓ DOUGLAS C. KEYES, 31349642, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Palmer, Massachusetts.

✓ EDWARD A. KOSKI, 37584957, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Two Harbors, Minnesota.

✓ LLOYD G. MANUEL, 39848222, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Pinal, Arizona.

✓ GATHEL V. MARTIN, 37708858, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Canon City, Colorado.

✓ JACK S. MORRIS, 19173146, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service fromocatello, Idaho.

✓ WILLIAM D. PARKER, 39930617, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Logan, Utah.

✓ ROBERT F. PAYETTE, 11011101, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

✓ DOUGLAS L. RAND, 42001761, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

✓ ARCH B SECHELSKI, 38676227, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Houston, Texas.

✓ HUGH TEMPLETON, 38711105, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>35th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Post City, Texas.

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## II Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

EDGAR H. THOMPSON, 38669479, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Texarkana, Arkansas.

HUMPHREY J. HIN, 31340429, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Rutland, Vermont.

OSCAR C. COKEY, 38695816, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Durant, Oklahoma.

EUGENE D. MAY, 38686751, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Dallas, Texas.

JAMES W. SPEARS, 35086605, Private, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Fort Thomas, Kentucky.

## III Awards of Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the enemy:

RAYMOND T. SECORD, 32292311, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, Italy, 1 March 1945. Entered the military service from Delhi, New York.

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BLACK H. WYKARD, 39070324, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, Italy, 3 Feb. 1945. Entered the military service from Dunsnoor, California.

## IV Awards of Combat Infantryman Badge.

Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 408, 17 October 1945, a Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men, 10th at Inf at Div, for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy:

2d Lt DONALD L. BUCKLEY, 01060384, Infantry

S Sgt John Crescenzi	31066982	S Sgt Marcus J Simon	37213305
Sgt Wayne Crafton	6911256	Sgt Stephen Ivelja	20259143
Sgt Harrison A Teller	39313204	Cpl Boyd E Amundson	37451708
Cpl Joseph C Atwell	34314004	Tec 5 Bruce K Hamilton	36969784
Pfc Richard J Arthur	36462252	Pfc Wilburn Bone	37609285

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IV Awards of Combat Infantryman Badge (continued)

Pfc Andy Burns	34726227	Pfc Carl Davenport	35800189
Pfc Linus C Hemesath	37655537	Pfc Alfred O Sheridan	37373979
Pfc John F Simpson	36483963	Pfc Woodrow Stone	39305873
Pfc James L Turner	38214715	Pfc Daniel Vasquez	39054581
Pvt Randolph Bordlee	38499608	Pvt Edward I Cota	39588668
Pvt William Duke	34764913	Pvt John E Furkin	42136815
Pvt John Keller	42066734	Pvt Eugene Levenson	12230642
Pvt Leonard Massaro	42141107	Pvt Woodrow W Moore	36956384
Pvt Joseph Peterson	32780993	Pvt James Rogers Sr	34979460
Pvt Marvin Singer	36966046		

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- I Award of Silver Star, posthumous
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- IV Awards of Bronze Star

I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

**87th Mt Inf**

ROBERT A. POST, 39586752, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army, For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. During a night attack on an enemy-held ridge, Private First Class POST boldly and audaciously faced withering hostile fire to effect rescue of a wounded staff sergeant and carry him to an area in defilade, where he could be treated by aid men. When his unit was pinned to the ground, he reconnoitered routes and led the company out of the hazardous area into a more favorable approach to its objective. By his action the company was able to successfully complete its mission with a minimum of casualties. His coolness and vigilant observation while under fire, and courage beyond the call of duty will forever inspire his comrades. Entered the military service from Reseda, California. Next of kin: Mrs. Rosalie E. Post, wife, Northridge, California.

II Awards of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

**87th Mt Inf**

CONRAD A. WITHEWILL, 39002934, Staff Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Florio, Italy. Leading a squad of men in a flank attack on an extremely hazardous enemy position, Staff Sergeant WITHEWILL circled the enemy objective on top of a razor-edged ridge, and had succeeded in leading his squad half way to its objective when a sudden hail of enemy fire pinned the squad down. Realizing the danger involved, Staff Sergeant WITHEWILL continued to maneuver his squad in the advance. In the curtain of fire which showered the squad as it began to move, Staff Sergeant WITHEWILL was wounded, but with heroic effort and stout determination he urged his men on and led the ensuing successful assault of the position. He reorganized his unit and assured himself that the wounded men had been properly treated before accepting first aid for himself. The success of the assault insured complete accomplishment of his company's mission. His conspicuous leadership, personal heroism, fidelity to and concern for the welfare of his men are strikingly deserving of highest commendation. Entered the military service from Santa Clara, California.

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II Awards of Silver Star (continued)

87th Mt Inf

CHARLES E. HEMST, 19175304, Staff Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945, near Vaipiano, Italy. During an enemy counterattack on our newly won positions, heavy small arms, machine pistol and machine gun fire threatened to annihilate a rifle platoon. Staff Sergeant HEMST, quickly analyzing the situation, led a squad of men to a flanking ridge in an effort to impede enemy fire. After skillfully maneuvering his squad into position, he discovered enemy fire from nearby houses was still effectively falling on his company's positions. The terrain between the enemy strongpoints and his own location was open and would not permit movement of more than one man without immediate enemy observation. Without faltering, he directed his men to remain behind and alone daringly advanced upon the enemy. His maneuver was so daring and unexpected that it enabled him to single-handedly capture twenty-three prisoners whose surrender terminated the counterattack. His conspicuous gallantry under fire and exhibition of sterling leadership of an extraordinarily aggressive nature exemplifies the illustrious traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Los Angeles, California.

87th Mt Inf

THOMAS S. HOWE, 39207402, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department/United States Army. For gallantry in action between 20 February 1945, and 23 February 1945, near Mt. Beverere, Italy. For four consecutive days while friendly troops were storming a strongly defended objective under intense enemy fire, Technician Fifth Grade HOWE administered first aid, care and treatment of wounded personnel. During the entire period his conspicuous courage and professional workmanship resulted in the saving of lives and alleviation of much suffering. On 23 February 1945, he displayed particular heroism when during an exceptionally heavy barrage and after warning others in the vicinity to remain under cover, he crawled from his fox hole into the inferno to drag a wounded man to safety. His fine example of courageous service, illustrious in its execution, and his unhesitating fidelity to the wounded characterizes the unselfish and sacrificial gallantry of the lofty traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Pasadena, California.

III Awards of Bronze Star, posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

86th Mt Inf

ALVIE A. SWEARENGIN, 38669527, Private, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Moro, Arkansas. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary A. Swearengin, mother, Route #2, Box #233, Moro, Arkansas.

86th Mt Inf

LEON J. KERRET, 31288770, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs. Josephine Kerret, mother, 74 Southur Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

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IV Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

**10th Inf AT Bn**

NEAL F. McKINSTRY, 01043726, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 21 February 1945, to 3 March 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Missouri, Montana.

**85th Mt Inf**

JOHN W. HEALINAY, 20269460, First Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Capia de Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Troy, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

JOHN A. BELL, 39198710, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Florio, Italy. Entered the military service from Seattle, Washington.

**85th Mt Inf**

CONRAD A. MANVILLE, 31342099, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 21 February 1945, to 24 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

**85th Mt Inf**

KENNETH E. STANSON, 31334775, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 19 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

**85th Mt Inf**

NORMAN L. WILKAD, 31267711, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

**85th Mt Inf**

GEORGE A. CASTLETON, 36669468, Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from West Frankfort, Illinois.

**86th Mt Inf**

HANS A. WSCHEFFENSING, 31367873, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Capia di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

**86th Mt Inf**

CLYDE B. HENDLINGER, 33759155, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Indiana, Pennsylvania.

**86th Mt Inf**

KENNETH A. FIRST, 32986842, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near L. Passione, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

**85th Mt Inf**

JAMES P. MCKENVER, 31304599, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

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IV Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

**85th Mt Inf**  
✓ JAMES H. LOCKWOOD, 39339968, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

**85th Mt Inf**  
✓ DEAN PETERSON, 36833005, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from La Crosse, Wisconsin.

**85th Mt Inf**  
✓ JOSEPH SALZHANDLER, 32797450, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Cappla di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

**85th Mt Inf**  
✓ JOSEPH H. WALLIS, 37672000, Private First Class, Medical Department, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Cappla di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Dubuque, Iowa.

**85th Mt Inf**  
✓ LOUIS F. SCHMID, 39053928, Private, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Cappla di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Atwood, Kansas.

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GENERAL ORDER )

ORIGINAL ORDER # 3416

NUMBER 18 )

- I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous
- II Awards of Bronze Star
- III Award of Purple Heart

I Award of Silver Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended a Silver Star medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

87th Mt Inf

CHARLES W. LEVITT, 16170496, Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. When the automatic weapons of an enemy counterattack threatened to annihilate personnel holding a defensive position, Sergeant LEVITT with utter disregard for his own welfare, crept from cover to attempt single handedly to knock out the harassing fire. He continued his movement through heavy fire directed at him until mortally wounded. Although he did not succeed in his voluntary mission, his bravery and willingness to sacrifice his life to relieve his comrades furnished the inspiration which enabled his unit to beat off the counterattack. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mrs Edna Levitt, Mother, RFD #2, Laconia, New Hampshire.

II Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star medal is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

616th FA Bn

DONALD W. LIST, 1174531, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Costa, Italy. Entered the military service from Peoria, Illinois.

86th Mt Inf

ELTON D. HOOVER, 37340931, Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 January 1945, near Florio, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

10th Mt AT Bn

JAMES K. PERHACS, 33693465, Corporal, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 27 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

III Award of Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted man for wounds received in action against the enemy:

GROVER L. MCCONNELL, 37356829, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army, Italy, 4 March 1945. Entered the military service from Wilson, Wyoming.

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GENERAL ORD. )

ORIGINAL ORDER # 221

NUMBER 19 )

- I Award of Silver Star
- II Award of Bronze Star, Posthumous
- III Awards of Bronze Star.

Award of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

**87th Mt Inf**

✓ JOSEPH P. RYCE, 32805826, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Corona, Italy. While attempting to aid a wounded man, private First Class RYCE was wounded by a burst from a machine pistol. Although advised that he should be evacuated and could not reach the wounded man he, nevertheless, started forward and did achieve his goal. Realizing that he could not return by himself he dug in and called to his companions to remain where they were and not attempt his evacuation. When four hours later, he was taken to an aid station he remained more concerned for others than for himself and insisted that he be the last person treated. On another occasion without regard for his safety he volunteered to go in front of his own lines to bring back a wounded enemy needed for intelligence purposes. The heroism under fire displayed by Private First Class RYCE brings great honor to himself and the armed services. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

II Award of Bronze Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

**85th Mt Inf**

ARTHUR L. DELANEY, 31304620, Staff Sergeant, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgoleseo, Italy. Entered the military service from Melrose, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs. Anna Delaney, Mother, Melrose, Massachusetts.

III Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

**85th Mt Inf**

OTIS F. HALVEYSON, 0390785, Captain, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Cappla di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Cheyenne, Wyoming.

**85th Mt Inf**

RICHARD C. JOHNSON, 0348183, Captain, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolasco, Italy. Entered the military service from Safford, Arizona.

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III Awards of Bronze Star. (Continued)

**85th Mt Inf**  
CHARLES P. SMITH, 01283508, Captain, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Cory, North Carolina.

**85th Lt Inf**  
JEROME C. TURNER, 01291915, Captain, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Forest Hill, Idaho.

**126th Mt Engr Bn**  
DONALD McKENNA, 01117491, Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Iola, Italy. Entered the military service from Sparkill, New York.

**10th Mt AT Bn**  
NORMAN D. CHLEY, 17044495, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from St. Louis, Missouri.

**126th Mt Engr Bn**  
JAMES P. THEILER, 20412406, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Iola, Italy. Entered the military service from Salisbury, North Carolina.

**65th Mt Inf**  
EARLO A. FELDER, 38494325, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from New Orleans, Louisiana.

**85th Mt Inf**  
EDWARD KOSHINSKI, 33606824, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Cappla di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Waukesha, Pennsylvania.

**85th Mt Inf**  
WILFRED J. BOURQUE, 31070566, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Everett, Massachusetts.

**126th Mt Engr Bn**  
WILLIAM A. WAGNER, 37871612, Private First Class, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Iola, Italy. Entered the military service from Waterloo, Iowa.

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NUMBER 20 )

AWARDS OF BRONZE STAR

ORIGINAL ORDER # 1997

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

DILLON SNELL, 16104964, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Lake Bluff, Illinois.

GEORGE W. GUNDEL, 36657245, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Evanston, Illinois.

EDWARD A. LISCIANDRO, 32826872, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Astoria, New York.

SAMUEL R. BUCKLEY, 17146578, Sergeant, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

LEROY G. MESNA, 37568272, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

HENRY B. SCHMIDT, 35587702, Private First Class, Infantry, <sup>86th Mt Inf</sup> United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Rush, Kentucky.

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NUMBER 21 )

- ORIGINAL ORDER 5 24/1/45
- I Awards of Silver Star
  - II Award of Bronze Star, Posthumous
  - III Awards of Bronze Star

I Awards of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

126th Engr Bn

ALONZO E. KELLY, JR., 35510193, Staff Sergeant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 3 March 1945, near Malmurone, Italy. When enemy shelling, concentrated on the construction crew of a vital bridge, became more intense and accurate killing the platoon leader of the crew and seriously wounding two men, Staff Sergeant KELLY left his covered position while the shelling was still in progress and went to the aid of the wounded men. Carrying one man who had been blinded and unable to walk and leading the other, he, at the height of the enemy barrage, made his way over a distance of one hundred yards to reach a sheltered position. The determination, fearless courage and concern for the welfare of his fellow men shown by Staff Sergeant KELLY at such a critical time were instrumental in the saving of life and did much to rally the spirit of the entire platoon. His heroic actions are worthy of much praise and indicative of the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Farmington, West Virginia.

86th Mt Inf

ROBERT F. THOMPSON, 13129839, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. When a strong enemy force launched an attack on a defensive position killing a squad leader and began to infiltrate the left flank, Staff Sergeant THOMPSON, directing defense in the center, quickly analyzed the situation. Immediately he gathered a squad from his position and led them to the threatened sector where they beat off the enemy. He then assumed charge of the squad which had lost its leader and directed them in laying a covering fire, enabling two men caught in a hand grenade barrage to withdraw to covered positions. During this encounter, the enemy attempted to place six men around the besieged ridge, but Staff Sergeant THOMPSON, who seemed to be everywhere at all times, even enough by doing so he made an excellent target, opened fire and killed the first enemy observed. The remaining enemy open an assault with "potato-mashers" and Staff Sergeant THOMPSON retaliated with grenades of his own, killing another and caused the few remaining to withdraw, thus clearing the ridge of enemy. He continued directing counter activities of his squad until the enemy withdrew. His conspicuous gallantry, his unerring leadership, and initiative, coupled with his total disregard for his own safety are symbolic of the loftiest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from State College, Pennsylvania.

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I Awards of Silver Star (continued)

86th Mt Inf

FRANKLYN C. FAIRWEATHER, 31353220, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. When a defensive position in rugged, mountainous terrain was assaulted by numerically superior enemy forces, Private First Class FAIRWEATHER, alone in a fox hole, single-handedly blocked the enemy advance and prevented a breakthrough. Although wounded on three different occasions, he heroically remained in his position, firing at the enemy and refusing to yield an inch. Twice the enemy got within grenade distance of his fox hole and on both occasions when grenades landed directly at their target, Private First Class FAIRWEATHER promptly tossed them back. Later when he had expended his rifle ammunition, he held the enemy off with hand grenades killing at least one. Not until he was properly relieved by a replacement would he withdraw from his position. His outstanding action while under fire and his stubborn resistance to the enemy are symbols of the highest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts.

86th Mt Inf

ROY STERN, 3,213882, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. While defending a defiladed position, a comrade to his right flank was wounded, and the enemy, with grazing machine gun fire, continued to advance upon the wounded man. Private First Class STERN, without considering his welfare, moved his weapon to an open and exposed position to better cover and protect the wounded comrade. Although the enemy used every weapon at his disposal to dislodge him, he continued for two hours to pour intense fire into the enemy, enabling aid men to reach, and evacuate the wounded soldier. Throughout this vigorous attack, Private First Class STERN stood firm, refusing to leave his hazardous post until adequate defense was restored and he was properly relieved. His conspicuous bravery and personal initiative unquestionably saved a life and his unyielding defense of an exposed position prevented an enemy breakthrough. Entered the military service from Tacoma, Washington.

II Award of Bronze Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named officer:

Hq Sp Troop, 10th Mt Div

LEONARD B. PRINSEY, 0414703, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry/United States Army. For meritorious achievement in support of combat operations during the period 21 February 1945, to 5 March 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from San Antonio, Texas.

III Awards of Bronze Star.

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III Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

**86th Mt Inf**

PERCY A. RIBBOUT, 01302525, Captain, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 17 February 1945 to 20 February 1945, near Mt. Suro, Italy. Entered the military service from Ashburnham, Massachusetts.

**10th Med Bn**

ALBERT S. JONES, JR., 02047677, First Lieutenant, /Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 17 February 1945, to 3 March 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

**10th Mt Div Arty**

JOHN L. BARR, III, 0528741, Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Castel di Casio, Italy. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

**85th Mt Inf**

CARL D. KERES, 01327447, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Lowell, Michigan.

**85th Mt Inf**

HARRY J. KRZIO, 20252040, First Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

**87th Mt Inf**

DONALD E. LUCI, 16010795, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Gaggio Montano, Italy. Entered the military service from Detroit, Michigan.

**85th Mt Inf**

JOHN F. BIEBLE, 32932679, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Gargo, Italy. Entered the military service from Buffalo, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

EDWARD T. DELTABS, 36700890, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 19 February 1945, near Mt. Baicheti, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**10th Med Bn**

RICHARD L. TUCKER, 6149680, Technician Fourth Grade, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945, near Gargo, Italy. Entered the military service from Providence, Rhode Island.

**10th Med Bn**

DONALD M. TURNER, 36251045, Technician Fourth Grade, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered the military service from Butten, Wisconsin.

**10th Med Bn**

JOHN B. THADER, 34466372, Technician Fifth Grade, Medical Department, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered the military service from Lurtecastore, North Carolina.

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## III Awards of bronze Star (continued)

**95th Mt Inf**  
HERBERT BROUGHTON, 6660008, Private First Class, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Louisville, Kentucky.

**10th Med Bn**  
JAMES H. THORN, 3431401, Private First Class, Medical Department / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered the military service from Walnut Cove, North Carolina.

**85th Mt Inf**  
RUSSELL A. BERNICHI, 36667976, Private First Class, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Cappia di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Belleville, Illinois.

**10th Med Bn**  
LARRY E. COLE, 39463519, Private First Class, Medical Department / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered the military service from Clarkston, Washington.

**85th Mt Inf**  
GROVER G. EHLIAS, 36966336, Private First Class, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin.

**10th Med Bn**  
ROY H. BISHOP, 35754646, Private First Class, Medical Department / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered the military service from Hopkiss, West Virginia.

**85th Mt Inf**  
W. DUNCAN REID, JR., 31321172, Private First Class, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Kezar Falls, Maine.

**85th Mt Inf**  
GEORGE C. PLAMESLES, 37364778, Private, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

**10th Med Bn**  
EDWARD H. BROOKS, 34832452, Private, Medical Department / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Querciola, Italy. Entered the military service from Sylvester, Georgia.

**85th Mt Inf**  
FRANK W. DEUEL, 36464600, Private, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Bay City, Michigan.

**85th Mt Inf**  
MURVIN LILLIS, 38469572, Private, Infantry / United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Cappia di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Conway, Arkansas.

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NUMBER 22 )

- I Awards of Silver Star
- II Awards of Bronze Star, posthumous
- III Awards of Bronze Star
- IV Awards of Purple Heart

I Awards of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star medal is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

85th Mt Inf

ALBERT A. WILDORN, 11104485, Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class), Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action from 21 February 1945, to 23 February 1945, near Mt. Soldevero, Italy. When a newly-won position was subjected to an extended enemy counterattack which opened with a terrific barrage of fire killing several key men, the defending platoon, in the resulting confusion, started to abandon their position. Staff Sergeant WILDORN, then a platoon messenger, seeing the necessity for holding their position, maneuvered under a hail of enemy fire from his location to rally the men and organize the defense of the area. Later in the action, with the enemy machine pistol, rifle, and grenade fire still fierce, he assisted in leading a machine gun section forward to a vantage point from which they were able to lay down protective fire to afford security for the command group and advancing supply elements. The foresight, aggressive leadership and the courageous efforts of Staff Sergeant WILDORN were major factors in repulsing a determined counterattack and in the later advance of his own troops. His heroic achievements furnished needed inspiration for his platoon and are worthy of the highest praise. Entered the military service from Hartford, Connecticut.

87th Mt Inf

VILLIAM H. FRICKE, 12103398, Sergeant, Infantry / United States Army. For gallantry in action on 11 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. When a strong enemy counterattack was successful in pinning down his company, Sergeant FRICKE, together with a companion, left the cover of a stone building to maneuver forward for thirty yards into concentrated enemy fire, seize an unmanned machine gun and return to set it up and commence effective fire. By maintaining accurate and continuous fire, the attacking force was compelled to remain under cover, permitting advancing riflemen to go forward and capture the entire unit of the opposing enemy. The determined aggressiveness and unflinching courage of Sergeant FRICKE made possible the capture of a large number of the enemy and were signal factors in the repulsing of a strong counterattack. His heroic actions merit much praise and are indicative of the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Ithaca, New York.

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## I Awards of Silver Star (continued)

86th Mt Inf

CARL M. BRANDAUER, 32937826, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Receiving serious face wounds from flying shell fragments during the first part of his company's assault against a firmly entrenched enemy, Private First Class BRANDAUER, the company radio operator, realizing the necessity of maintaining constant communication at such a critical time, remained at his job refusing medical treatment for himself. When the loss of blood made it impossible for him to continue on with the heavy radio, he transferred the load to another man and seizing an automatic rifle, in spite of the great pain from his wounds, maneuvered forward delivering effective fire at the enemy and did not quit until his company had been relieved. The great devotion to duty and firm courage shown by Private First Class BRANDAUER under such hazardous conditions were beneficial to the success of his company's mission and are worthy of high praise. Entered the military service from Binghamton, New York.

87th Mt Inf

JOHN SHAJAHAN, 32899640, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For gallantry in action on 21 February 1945, near Valpiano, Italy. When a strong enemy counterattack was successful in pinning down his company, Private First Class SHAJAHAN, together with a companion, left the cover of a stone building to maneuver forward for thirty yards into concentrated enemy fire, seize an unmanned machine gun and return to set it up and commence effective fire. By maintaining accurate and continuous fire, the attacking force was compelled to remain under cover, permitting advancing riflemen to go forward and capture the entire unit of the opposing enemy. The determined aggressiveness and unflinching courage of Private First Class SHAJAHAN made possible the capture of a large number of the enemy and were signal factors in the repulsing of a strong counterattack. His heroic actions merit much praise and are indicative of the finest traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from Bronx, New York.

## II Awards of Bronze Star, posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

86th Mt Inf

ROY A. FOWLER, 34058210, Private First Class, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Glendale, South Carolina. Next of kin: Mollie Ruth Fowler, sister, Glendale, South Carolina.

86th Mt Inf

JOHN S. POLBORNY, 10146825, Private, Infantry/United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois. Next of kin: Mr. Adam Pedboray, father, 1158 West 51st Street, Chicago, Illinois.

## III Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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III Awards of bronze Star (continued)

**126th Engr Bn**

FRED A. NAGEL, 0470372, Captain, Corps of Engineers, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 4 March 1945, near Ganevaccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.

**10th Med Bn**

LAYARD A. BRIGGS, 01741746, First Lieutenant, /Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945, to 24 February 1945, near Gerge, Italy. Entered the military service from Sheridan, Wyoming.

**126th Engr Bn**

THOMAS H. COLE, 0517498, First Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 4 March 1945, near Tamburini, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

FREDRICK S. FLECK, 12088469, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

WILLIAM C. MURPHY, 12163363, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, near Di Sopra, Italy. Entered the military service from Newark, New Jersey.

**86th Mt Inf**

JOSEPH R. BRENNAN, 32893198, Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Mt. Serrasiccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Valley Stream, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

JOHN H. BOBEL, JR., 35068864, Technician Fifth Grade, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Lorain, Ohio.

**86th Mt Inf**

FREDERICK H. SCHULTZ, 32937621, Technician Fifth Grade, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Mt. Serrasiccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Owego, New York.

**86th Mt Inf**

CHARLES N. CAMFIELD, 39397410, Private First Class, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Westwood, California.

**10th Med Bn**

JOHN S. KULMILWICZ, 35249906, Private First Class, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, near Castel d'Alzno, Italy. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio.

**86th Mt Inf**

ANTHONY MASCAPO, 33777334, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Mt. Serrasiccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**10th Med Bn**

PAUL S. MATKEVICIUS, 33461487, Private First Class, /Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, near Castel d'Alzno, Italy. Entered the military service from Miles Barre, Pennsylvania.

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## III Awards of Bronze Star (continued)

ROBERT J. OLIVER, 36657699, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, near Castel d' Aiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois. 10th Med Bn 85th Mt Inf

EDWARD J. REINEL, 35474608, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Bevedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Cull, Kentucky. 86th Mt Inf

ALAN ROSE, 11024440, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Boston, Massachusetts. 85th Mt Inf

DUANE W. SMITH, 32939292, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, near Di Sopra, Italy. Entered the military service from Binghamton, New York. 10th Med Bn

DANIEL VALDEZ, 37671391, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 5 March 1945, near Castel d' Aiano, Italy. Entered the military service from Des Moines, Iowa. 126th Engr Bn

JOSEPH M. WALCESKI, 35344378, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near Iola, Italy. Entered the military service from Toledo, Ohio. 85th Mt Inf

FRANK T. BYRNE, 35083602, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 26 February 1945, near Di Sopra, Italy. Entered the military service from Cincinnati, Ohio. 85th Mt Inf

FRANK L. HALVORSEN, 32322953, Private, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 23 February 1945, near Mt. della Torraccia, Italy. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York. 86th Mt Inf

STANLEY L. FRANKS, 33882759, Private, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Tangier, Virginia.

## IV Awards of Purple Heart.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the enemy:

DOUGLAS LENNELLY, 12039198, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, Italy, 9 March 1945. Entered the military service from North Tarrytown, New York.

BARNLEY ADITY, 34932200, Private, Infantry, United States Army, Italy, 9 March 1945. Entered the military service from Bishop, Georgia.



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I Awards of Bronze Star  
II Awards of Purple Heart

I Awards of Bronze Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

**EDWARD C. DYER**, 0436424, Major, Medical Corps, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action during the period 19 February 1945 to 25 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Brookline, Massachusetts. 85th Mt Inf

**HAUCE T. COGLINS**, 0543435, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 25 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. Entered the military service from Orinda, California. 85th Mt Inf

**RALPH CONLISK**, 2140114, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Lizzano in Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Manchester, New Hampshire. 87th Mt Inf

**CLAUDE S. FORD**, 39844916, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 24 February 1945, near Mt. Della Torracchia, Italy. Entered the military service from Oakland, California. 86th Mt Inf

**KENNETH W. KELLER**, 32762427, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For meritorious achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Teaneck, New Jersey. 85th Mt Inf

**MERLE D. MERIDITH**, 6559053, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Lizzano in Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Spokane, Washington. 7th Mt Inf

**GEORGE ORFEL**, 37460004, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Laramie, Wyoming. 85th Mt Inf

**SIGISMUND J. NIEGOYSKI**, 33951273, Private First Class, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Cappla di Ronchidos, Italy. Entered the military service from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 85th Mt Inf

**THOMAS J. VENNETTA**, 38664746, Private First Class, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Lizzano in Belvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Little Rock, Arkansas. 87th Mt Inf

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**I Awards of Bronze Star (continued)**

**85th Mt Inf**  
ELMO C. HESTER, JR., 14193023, Private, Medical Department, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 6 March 1945, near St. Gergolusco, Italy. Entered the military service from Cuthbert, Georgia.

**87th Mt Inf**  
COLN R. WID, 7065449, private, Infantry, /United States Army. For heroic achievement in action on 21 February 1945, near Albano in Balvedere, Italy. Entered the military service from Hendersonville, North Carolina.

**II Awards of Purple Heart.**

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the enemy:

**85th Mt Inf**  
LEONARD De LUCA, 3600689, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, /United States Army, Italy, 8 March 1945. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.

**10th Med Bn**  
JOHN A. CLEMONS, 35054480, Technician Third Grade, /Medical Department, United States Army, Italy, 4 March 1945. Entered the military service from Painesville, Ohio.

**86th Mt Inf**  
OTIS G. BALLIGE, 38692724, private, Infantry, /United States Army, Italy, 3 March 1945. Entered the military service from Okishowa City, Okishowa.

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JOHN S. LISICKI, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 23 February 1945, near St. Vrain, Colorado, when the platoon chosen to lead the attack upon an important objective in mountainous terrain encountered the enemy offering terrific resistance, they were halted. Technical Sergeant LISICKI, the platoon leader, sensing the uncertainty among his men and knowing the dire need for continued advance, took the lead and rallied his men forward into the concentration of machine gun and mortar fire. While continuing, LISICKI was wounded, but beyond the thoughts of personal safety or desire, he continued to the success of a major operation. Technical Sergeant LISICKI's fine conduct, high devotion to duty and leadership duty are deserving of a posthumous award for gallantry in action.

JOHN S. LISICKI, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action on 23 February 1945, near St. Vrain, Colorado, when the platoon chosen to lead the attack upon an important objective in mountainous terrain encountered the enemy offering terrific resistance, they were halted. Technical Sergeant LISICKI, the platoon leader, sensing the uncertainty among his men and knowing the dire need for continued advance, took the lead and rallied his men forward into the concentration of machine gun and mortar fire. While continuing, LISICKI was wounded, but beyond the thoughts of personal safety or desire, he continued to the success of a major operation. Technical Sergeant LISICKI's fine conduct, high devotion to duty and leadership duty are deserving of a posthumous award for gallantry in action.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-10, as amended, a Silver Star award is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

- I. Name of Enlisted Soldier, Posthumous
- II. Name of Silver Star, Posthumous
- III. Name of Bronze Star, Posthumous
- IV. Name of Purple Heart
- V. Name of Good Conduct Medal

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## I. Award of Silver Star, Posthumous (continued)

86th Mt Inf

THOMAS J. PATTI, 3274690, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 20 February 1945, near Mt. Gorgolesco, Italy. fierce artillery, mortar, and automatic weapon fire from a determined enemy was halting the scheduled advance of his company when Private First Class PATTI, knowing that failure to move forward would jeopardize the accomplishment of the operation and cause increased casualties, left his covered position and maneuvered out into an intense barrage to seek a possible route for advance. Making his way across two hundred yards of rough, mountain terrain, being caught many times in direct enemy fire lines, he did not quit his search even though receiving many wounds. In this forward advance, he succeeded in placing effective fire on the entrenched enemy and neutralized several key positions. Private First Class PATTI died in this action as a result of numerous wounds and loss of blood, but his supreme courage, his high regard for duty and fulfillment of the mission were essential factors in the success of his company's assignment and inspire all who know of them. His actions in the face of the such hazardous conditions require high praise and are of the finest deeds in the United States Army. Entered the military service from Jersey City, New Jersey. Next of kin: Mrs. Grace Patti, mother, 287 Ninth Street, Jersey City, New Jersey.

## II. Award of Silver Star.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star Medal is awarded to the following named officer:

86th Mt Inf

FLOYD F. HAMMETT, 0549911, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action on 22 February 1945, near Pizzo di Campiano, Italy. When counterattacking enemy forces under cover of darkness had advanced within close range and partially encircled a platoon defensive position, Second Lieutenant HAMMETT, totally disregarding his own safety and constantly exposed to enemy fire, moved among his men to maintain control, reassure them and assist in the care of the wounded. Losing fire superiority, the enemy resorted to a mighty barrage of grenades. Through this hail of death, Second Lieutenant HAMMETT visited each squad position, encouraging personnel and inquiring after casualties. Through his conspicuous gallantry and unerring leadership, the enemy attack was successfully repulsed. His conduct throughout the entire action merits only the highest praise, as exemplified by the lofty traditions of the United States Army. Entered the military service from The Rivers, Wisconsin.

## III. Award of Bronze Star, Posthumous.

Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously to the following named officer:

87th Mt Inf

✓ IRVING PHILIP, 01326017, First Lieutenant, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious service in combat on 3 March 1945, near Cassin Della Tella, Italy. Entered the military service from Springfield, Massachusetts. Next of kin: Mrs. Helen M. Philip, wife, 212 Osborne Terrace, Springfield, Massachusetts.

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1st Lt. George J. Hottel	3657003	1st Lt. Victor H. Ho	3558033
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657004	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558034
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657005	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558035
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657006	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558036
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657007	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558037
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657008	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558038
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657009	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558039
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657010	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558040
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657011	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558041
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657012	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558042
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657013	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558043
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657014	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558044
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657015	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558045
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657016	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558046
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657017	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558047
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657018	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558048
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657019	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558049
Cpl. William H. Hottel	3657020	Cpl. William H. Ho	3558050

Under the provisions of the Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Bronze Star Award is awarded to the following named officer and enlisted men:

**IV. Names of Bronze Star.**

On 24 July 1945 at DIV IS HQ 15 contd.

- 1. Name of Enlisted Personnel:**
- 1st Lt. George J. Hottel, 3657003, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 7 March 1945, near Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Chicago, Illinois.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558033, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558034, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558035, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558036, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558037, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558038, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558039, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558040, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558041, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558042, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558043, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558044, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558045, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558046, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558047, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558048, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558049, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.
  - 1st Lt. Victor H. Ho, 3558050, Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army.** For heroic achievement in action on 3 March 1945, near the Battle of Salerno, Italy. Entered the military service from Denver, Colorado.