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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 3 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major HARRY L. SNAVELY, 0341099, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Zambales and Bataan, Philippine Islands, from 29 January to 5 February 1945. On 29 January, Major Snavely's battalion was ordered to spearhead the regiment's advance in the amphibious Zambales-Bataan operation. He evolved a simple, flexible and effective plan of initial action which he executed vigorously. When he found that expected motor transportation was not available for his 3-Day inland movement, he ordered a forced foot march, swept through Southern Zambales, and reached the regimental objective, 16 miles from the beach in less than seven hours. In subsequent action in Zig-Zag Pass, Major Snavely was ordered to move to the assault of the enemy's main position, a rough plateau accessible only over the most difficult terrain and strongly defended. Before ordering the advance of his troops, Major Snavely made a hazardous, personal reconnaissance deep into the enemy defenses. He then returned and led two companies forward, leaving two on the road. Although the elements of his battalion were necessarily spread out, he maintained control of them at all times. When his companies came under concentrated artillery fire, his expert control and selfless action enabled him to maintain the unity of his forces. Seeing that their position was untenable, he withdrew his companies, reconstituted his line and maintained contact with the enemy flank which he had developed. At no time did Major Snavely evince any consideration for his personal safety. His calm display of courage and initiative under intense enemy fire inspired the highest confidence and respect among his men. Home address: Mrs. Harry L. Snavely (wife), 508 State Street, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class BRADLEY E. BOTTS, 35842316, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Lascon, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 22 June 1945. On this day, Private Botts was a member of a six-man intelligence and reconnaissance patrol sent to investigate several Japanese houses on the flank of the leading rifle company. Two houses

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were searched and the men had surrounded the third when they were fired upon by Japs from the house and a nearby foxhole. The patrol immediately returned the fire, killing the Jap in the foxhole. As the patrol roved forward, Private Botts saw another Jap underneath the house, and knowing the need for prisoners, immediately ran after him. The enemy soldier did not have a rifle, but carried two grenades. Private Botts tackled him and fought with him until two of his comrades came to his aid. Private Botts' courageous devotion to duty reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mis. Laura E. Botts (wife), Paw Paw, Illinois.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) LEWIS F. STEARNS, 0476381, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Jaro, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 30 October 1944. On this day, a rifle company was leading the battalion advance through enemy territory. The enemy, from well concealed positions on a high ridge overlooking our route of advance, opened fire with artillery, mortars, machine guns, and small arms. The intensity of the hostile fire caused many casualties and made the position untenable. When the regimental commander was seriously wounded by a mortar shell fragment, Captain Stearns personally carried him through a heavy mortar barrage to a point where litter bearers could evacuate him. He then returned to the battle area and directed and supervised the evacuation of the wounded, the withdrawal of a badly disabled tank, and the orderly maneuver of his platoon. To accomplish this he moved about constantly with complete disregard for enemy artillery, mortar, and small arms fire in order to more effectively coordinate his covering fire. Captain Stearns left the scene of action only after the last of his men had reached safety. The high personal valor displayed by Captain Stearns inspired his men at a time when heroic example and strong leadership were urgently needed. Home address: Mr. Waldo Stearns (father), 1109 West Green Street, Campaign, Illinois.

First Lieutenant ROBERT N. STINSMAN, 02037100, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 8 June 1945. The company had dug in after taking its objective the previous night. At dawn the enemy launched a coordinated attack against the section of the perimeter defended by Lieutenant Stinsman's platoon. In the furious fire fight that developed, Lieutenant Stinsman shouted encouragement to his men and directed the mortar and machine gun fire. When six men were wounded, he rushed alone to the weakened sector and fired all available weapons until the enemy was repulsed. Throughout the bitter engagement, Lieutenant Stinsman directed accurate 60mm mortar fire, knowing that the mortar was firing only an approximate 50 yards from the enemy. Lieutenant Stinsman's quick thinking and courage under fire were major factors in stopping the enemy attack, and won the respect and admiration of the entire company. Home address: Mr. M. L. Stinsman (father), 4524 North Commercial Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

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Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) JAMES J. STOVALL, 0362509, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 11 June 1945. As commander of an infantry battalion, Colonel Stovall distinguished himself in action while leading his unit in the midst of the three pronged drive against an enemy stronghold near Mandog. He successfully directed his unit across difficult mountainous terrain in a wide envelopment of the enemy's rear. After fighting three days under trying conditions along mountainous, rain-forest trails, blocked by strongly defended pillboxes, Colonel Stovall personally led elements of his command to seize Maag Hill, a dominating ridge approximately 450 feet high, honeycombed with trenches and cave pillboxes. As several enemy machine gun and 20mm positions entrenched on the steep reverse slope rendered artillery and air support ineffective, Colonel Stovall directed the hand carry and emplacement of a 37mm anti-tank gun, which neutralized the pillboxes by direct fire. Because of his outstanding leadership and personal example of courage while under intense rocket fire, he was directly responsible for the successful seizure of this difficult objective. Colonel Stovall's heroic actions exemplify the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Stovall (wife), 1526 Shirley Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

Major JAMES Y. WILSON, 0362295, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 13 June to 24 June 1945. Major Wilson assumed command of an infantry battalion during an attack against a Japanese strongpoint near Mandog, and directed the operation to a successful conclusion. He planned, coordinated, and directed heavy concentrations of air bombs, artillery, mortar, and tank fire to knock out a determined enemy force entrenched on dominating terrain. Under his personal leadership, his unit rapidly advanced and seized all key terrain features in his zone of action, which completely disorganized Jap defenses in the Mandog area. On 23 June, while under harassing small arms and mortar fire, Major Wilson led his battalion on an azimuth bearing through thick abaca fields to an assembly area near the Tamogan River, 2000 yards north of the only bridge crossing. After two night attempts had failed because of the steepness of the gorge, he led a surprise crossing of the river on 24 June 1945. This rendered untenable the enemy defenses of the vital Tamogan River bridge, and insured the advance of friendly forces in that area. The successes of his unit were due in large measure to his aggressive leadership and tireless effort. Home address: Mr. H. A. Wilson (father), 17 Mesoto Street, Lake City, Florida.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, ID, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

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First Sergeant CHESTER BARGLSKY, 6838110, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. An infantry company was advancing toward high ground northwest of Mandog, when the Japanese blew up a shack containing bombs and high explosives. The terrific explosion that followed wounded twenty-eight men. Sergeant Barglsky immediately moved forward and helped to evacuate the wounded. The equipment of these men was collected and placed near the trail to be taken out by a carrying party. Before it could be taken out, the Japanese opened fire with heavy machine guns and rifles. Orders were given to withdraw because of the heavy casualties and because of high cliffs on the right flank. Sergeant Barglsky realized that this equipment, which included three Browning Automatic Rifles and three Thompson Sub-Machine Guns, would greatly aid the Japanese if it were captured. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant Barglsky made several trips and exposed himself to this heavy enemy fire in order to get the equipment behind friendly lines. Sergeant Barglsky's clear thinking, initiative and gallantry is worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Eva Barglsky (wife), Post Office Box 104, Ishaina, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

Private EARL L. CASEY, 36839734, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. On this day, Private Casey, a runner, was advancing with a rifle company on a hill two and one-half miles northwest of Davao. When a man was wounded, he voluntarily ran forward under heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire and helped evacuate him to safety. During this act, Private Casey was severely wounded in the back and chest. Private Casey's heroic actions, above the call of duty, reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Betty J. Casey (wife), 3482 Tolcomb, Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class ALFRED J. CRIBARI, 16131475, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Panacan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 30 May 1945. In the vicinity of Panacan, while performing his duties as a messenger, Private Cribari received information of an unknown number of enemy in the immediate area. Stopping two vehicles, he organized a patrol and led it to the area where the enemy had been reported. Upon arrival, he was the first to spot the Japs who were busily engaged in placing land mines and digging gun positions in preparation for a road block or ambush. Flanking their position, the patrol caught the enemy by surprise. Private Cribari opened fire, killing one and wounding two others, thus frustrating the enemy's attempt to hamper our main supply route. The outstanding actions of Private Cribari reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Alfred Cribari (father), 2415 West High Street, Racine, Wisconsin.

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Captain HARRY L. JONES, JR., 01230677, Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 1 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry L. Jones, Sr., (father), 2711 Marion, St. Louis, Missouri.

Staff Sergeant ELMER LONGWELL, 38084819, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Romblon Town, Romblon, Philippine Islands, on 18 March 1945. Home address: Mr. Oliver Longwell (brother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Montrose, Colorado.

III. PURPLE HEART.—Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade RAGNAR A. WENNBERG, 36697697, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Tyrell, Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 6 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle N. Wennberg (wife), 1224 North Kildare Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

GORDON B. PAGE,
Lt Col, 3SC,
Actg. Chief of Staff.

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WALTER CUNNINGHAM,
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I. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, MD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) WALTER CUNNINGHAM, 0353843, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, from 10 May 1942 to 13 October 1944. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Cunningham (mother), 345 West Polk Street, McAlester, Oklahoma.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Walter Cunningham, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in Section I, above, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, MD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel WALTER CUNNINGHAM, 0353843, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southern Philippine Campaign, from 20 October 1944 to 29 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Myrtle Cunningham (mother), 345 West Polk Street, McAlester, Oklahoma.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

A. T. SCHENKACHER,
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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Sull. 43, 70, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Lieutenant (junior grade) JAMES P. SUTTON, United States Naval Reserve. For gallantry in action at Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 October to 16 November 1944. Lieutenant Sutton landed with the leading assault wave of an infantry regiment at Leyte on 20 October and in the first 15 minutes while many others were pinned down, located and rendered safe, land mines on the beach. Soon thereafter as the troops advanced, he facilitated mopping-up operations by disarming booby traps. In this action he also killed two enemy snipers which undoubtedly saved the lives of several men. During the advance up the Leyte Valley, Lieutenant Sutton, in a heroic manner, removed more than one hundred land mines which had been emplaced by the enemy. While performing these acts, Lieutenant Sutton was well forward and frequently under fire with our leading elements and greatly facilitated their rapid advance. Home address: c/o Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

Captain JAMES W. YEOMANS, 0356451, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 20 June 1945. When his command post in which he had set up his aid station came under heavy enemy artillery fire, Captain Yeomans, without waiting for the battalion aid men, left his foxhole to go to the assistance of a wounded officer approximately 75 yards away. As he approached the wounded man, an artillery shell exploded within ten feet of him and threw him to the ground. Although slightly wounded, he immediately arose and continued on, reached the wounded man and administered medical aid with enemy artillery shells still exploding around him. Captain Yeoman's heroic action, performed under the most dangerous conditions, was an inspiration to all members of his organization. Home address: Mr. S. L. Yeomans, Sr. (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Jessup, Georgia.

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II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Captain RICHARD E. METRESS, 01548960. Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Philippine Islands, from 16 May to 8 June 1945. Next of kin: Anita S. Metress (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Box 161, Swedesboro, New Jersey.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain KENNETH B. BLANEY, 0376512, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 22 January to 15 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice H. Blaney (mother), 647 Spruce Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH A. CAREY, 01299529, Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area, from 2 April 1944 to 17 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary McD. Carey (mother), 110 Upland Road, Quincy, Massachusetts.

Captain ROBERT R. ENDER, 01283394, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 5 November 1944 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Richard J. Ender (father), 31, 75th Street, North Bergen, New Jersey.

Major JOHN H. GIRARDEAU, 0359512, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 1 February to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harriet Girardeau (wife), 106 Pine Street, McRae, Georgia.

Second Lieutenant CLIFFORD A. GONYEA, 0203688, Cavalry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 3 July to 14 July 1945. On 3 July, Lieutenant Gonyea led a reconnaissance patrol of two officers and seven enlisted men into the enemy occupied Sarangani Bay Area. He observed the enemy dispositions and collected valuable information for a future amphibious operation to seize the area. The enemy was known to be armed with rifles and machine guns. Lieutenant Gonyea organized and trained the guerrillas in this area, and at the risk of his life, he boldly reconnoitered for the most suitable landing beach and best avenue of approach to

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the task force objective. His fearless and aggressive leadership in the operations of his patrol contributed materially to the success of a Division Task Force landing on 12 July and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Bertha Gonyea (mother), 2617 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Captain WARREN M. McNAMARA, 01295408, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 5 November 1944 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna F. McNamara (mother), 871 Worcester Street, Wellesley, Massachusetts.

Captain GEORGE J. MILLER, 01283462, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 7 May to 20 June 1945. Home address: Miss Mary Miller (aunt), 2025 Gregory Street, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Captain JAMES M. PARENT, 0418419, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 11 April to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marguerite Parent (wife), 121 Franklin Street, Westfield, Massachusetts.

Lieutenant Colonel WALTER C. RATHBONE, 08100, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 28 November 1944 to 10 July 1945. As division rear echelon commandant at Carigara, Leyte, from about 6 December 1944 to 21 January 1945, Colonel Rathbone helped organize the division reception point, and by his continued interest, enabled it to fulfill its mission of providing for the welfare of casual military personnel rejoining their units after hospitalization. Colonel Rathbone has been especially vigilant in the investigation of pilferage of army supplies. Without other officer personnel in his section, he personally made a relentless search into all phases of supply channels, and submitted his recommendations to higher headquarters. These were also approved by commanders of a naval task force, and became the basis for their directives in their determination to prevent pilferage in their command. Not content with making routine investigations in the rear echelon areas, Colonel Rathbone made frequent trips to the front, and was many times exposed to small arms fire. On the night of 2 June 1945, he volunteered to drive a chaplain several miles over a road known to be under observation and fire of enemy snipers so that he might render the last rites to a dying catholic soldier. Knowing that driving under blackout would be too slow and that the soldier might die before the chaplain could arrive, he turned on bright lights to make greater speed, although he knew that he would almost certainly draw effective sniper fire. Colonel Rathbone's high sense of duty and personal courage are in full accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Lieutenant Marie H. Rathbone, ANC (wife), 1991 Forest Street, Denver, Colorado.

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Technician Fifth Grade EDWIN O. SCHIROO, 37166485, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Herman Schiroo (father), Stewart, Minnesota.

Captain ERNEST L. VIENNEAU, 0420895, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 7 May 1945. Captain Vienneau as a rifle company commander led his company in almost constant advance during the entire period. During the extremely desperate fighting on Libby Drome from 3 May to 7 May 1945, Captain Vienneau by his courage and example inspired his men to maintain the offensive in spite of heavy casualties. Captain Vienneau constantly exposed himself to enemy fire while directing his company and was himself severely wounded while leading his company in an attack on 7 May 1945. Captain Vienneau's gallantry was an inspiration to his men and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Joseph I. Vienneau (father), 22 Orchard Street, Waltham, Massachusetts.

Captain GLENES E. WICKER, 0412414, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. H. C. Wise (mother), Box 342, Pharr, Texas.

Captain MILTON E. WILSON, 01293511, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands, from 4 January to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Velma Wilson (wife), Ardmore, Oklahoma.

IV. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Sothern K. Able, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 26, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 19 May 1945, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain SOTHORN K. ABLE, 0460060, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 11 April to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Guy H. Able (father), Fort Moultrie, South Carolina.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain David M. Cook, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in Section IV, General Orders No. 4, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 19 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Captain DAVID M. COCK, 0301429, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 19 April to 9 July 1945. Home address: Mr. T. H. Cook (father), 633 Northeast 12, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

W. AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL ORDERS.--1. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 49, this headquarters, dated 16 June 1945, pertaining to First Lieutenant Harry F. Davis, 01293379, as reads: "Morgan City, La." is amended to read: "Morgan City, Louisiana".

2. So much of Section IV, General Orders No. 76, this headquarters, dated 21 July 1945, as pertains to Private First Class James L. Deaner, 3349838, and Technician Fifth Grade Paul Willis, 35715703, is rescinded.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

A. W. SCHEMACHER,
Lt. Col., QMC,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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WM. A. CRAIG,
Major, AGD,
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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9119, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, 7D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private) BOBEY L. ALBRIGHT, 35227191, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations at Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 20 October 1944. During the beach landing at San Pedro Bay, Leyte, Corporal Albright was aboard an LCVP which was hit by an enemy mortar shell. The barge sank immediately, leaving several wounded in the water. As mortar and machine gun fire continued, Corporal Albright remained with the wreckage and relieved the wounded of their equipment. Seeing a wounded man unconscious in the water and in imminent danger of drowning, he placed a life belt on him and kept the man afloat until a rescue ship arrived. During all this time the men were under constant machine gun and mortar fire and several times were washed under by surf caused by other boats. Corporal Albright then went back to check the area. Seeing that all had been saved, he returned to the rescue ship and administered first aid to the wounded until they could be taken aboard a ship better equipped to handle battle casualties. Corporal Albright's undaunted courage in the face of heavy enemy fire reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Jessie Albright (mother), Waterloo, Indiana.

Technician Fourth Grade BERT L. AMES, 39400984, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Catalunan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 24 May 1945. On this day, during the attack on a strongly fortified and fiercely defended enemy position, Sergeant Ames accompanied the battalion commander forward in the capacity of a radio operator. Although his personal safety was impaired by the considerable weight of an SCR-500 radio, which hampered his movements under enemy fire, he calmly and efficiently transmitted the orders and requests of the battalion commander. During the course of the assault, he reportedly entered an area subject to enemy mortar and machine gun fire and was twice pinned to the ground. He continued, however, to operate the radio and deliver promptly to the commander whatever information he could gather. Sergeant Ames' coolness under fire and his dependable and intelligent performance under difficult and dangerous conditions proved invaluable in the control of the battalion. Home address: Mrs. Viola Ames (wife), 2124 "P" Street, Sacramento, California.

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Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT E. BARBINI, 33356131, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 20 October 1944 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Barbini (mother), 1629 South Webster Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT W. BARR, 39024047, Tank Destroyer, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operation against the enemy between Lingayen and Manila, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 9 January to 1 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marion O. Barr (wife), 216 North Almanser Street, Alhambra, California.

First Lieutenant WILBUR L. DREWS, 01017984, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Beulah R. Drews (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Meville, Iowa.

Sergeant ALTON K. HALSO, 7082759, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 16 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Palmetto Halse (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Chinquapin, North Carolina.

Private First Class THOMAS H. JOHNSON, 34381462, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the campaigns of Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 20 October 1944 to 30 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lizzie F. Johnson (mother), South Palmetto, Denmark, South Carolina.

Private First Class JOE H. JONES, 34575027, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy during the campaigns of Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 20 October 1944 to 29 May 1945. During this period, Private Jones, as a member of a battalion communications section, performed his duties in an exemplary manner. During the Mindanao campaign, the road leading up to Hill 550 was strewn with mines and under fire of mortars, automatic, and 25mm weapons, as well as snipers. Knowing the great danger, Private Jones worked tirelessly and courageously to keep the lines open for vital traffic. Private Jones' devotion to duty has won the respect and admiration of all and was performed in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lillie S. Jones (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #5, Conington, Georgia.

36616328 Sergeant (then Technician Fifth Grade) MICHAEL J. JURICEK, JR., Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Pauline Juricek (mother), 5630 South Hona Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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Second Lieutenant JOHN SCLIPCEA, 01329887, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Tanogan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 24 June 1945. On the afternoon of this day, Lieutenant Sclipcea led a nine-man patrol to reconnoiter 1500 yards north of the Tanogan River bridge and determine the presence of the enemy. Approximately 300 yards north of the main road leading to the bridge, the patrol ran into an ambush. Under machine gun and rifle fire, Lieutenant Sclipcea withdrew his men to a covered position, where it was discovered that the Filipino scout was missing. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Lieutenant Sclipcea crawled back 75 yards under enemy machine gun fire. Finding the Filipino Scout dead, he then crawled back to his patrol and led it to safety. Lieutenant Sclipcea's heroism under fire and outstanding leadership were an inspiration to the men under his command. Home address: Mrs. Angeline Y. Sclipcea (mother), 749 West New York Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sergeant VINCENT A. SWILMAN, 37160958, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 12 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marie Swilman (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Wabasha, Minnesota.

Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade) JACK P. SUMPTER, 19142440, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 October 1944 to 24 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dot Compton (mother), 5 Cahassett Stage, Chico, California.

Private First Class WILLIAM H. TREADWAY, 32947127, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 1 December 1944 to 29 May 1945. Home address: Mr. William L. Treadway (father), 930 1st Street, Rensselaer, New York.

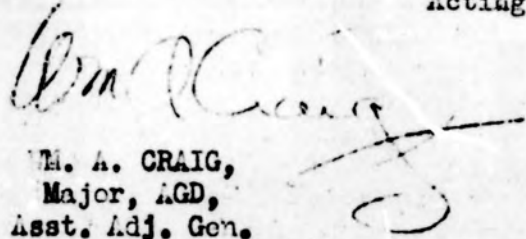
Sergeant THOMAS A. TOOTLE, 39089463, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 20 October to 15 December 1944, and from 8 May to 26 May 1945. During operations on Leyte, Sergeant Tootle, in the capacity of truckmaster, maintained the vital flow of supplies to the forward elements, working under extremely difficult conditions. In addition to the difficulties of operating through mud and rain to supply a combat team spread over a thirty mile area, he was forced to train and reorganize replacements during combat. During operations on Mindanao, he conveyed his trucks over nine-stream roads which extended at times as far as 135 miles. Shortage of drivers and vehicles and repeated suicidal attacks by the enemy added to his difficulties. Even under these conditions, the forward elements were kept supplied, due in great part to Sergeant Tootle's untiring effort through long hours. Sergeant Tootle's thoroughness and devotion to duty reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Thomas Tootle (father), 411 East 1st Avenue, Visalia, California.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant JAMES H. CIMMIYOTTI, 36125955, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Zig-Zag Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. On this day, the positions occupied by an infantry company, of which Sergeant Cimmiyotti was a member, were subjected to a heavy Jap artillery barrage. Because a very large number of its men were being killed or wounded, the company was ordered to withdraw to safer positions. Sergeant Cimmiyotti volunteered to remain behind under the unrelenting artillery fire to administer first aid, improvise litters and to assist in the evacuation of his wounded comrades. Sergeant Cimmiyotti was the last man to leave the area, carrying with him two automatic weapons, as well as his own equipment to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy. Sergeant Cimmiyotti's courageous actions were a source of inspiration to both officers and men of his company and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Cimmiyotti (mother), Kimberly, Oregon.

Technical Sergeant HERBERT M. HANSON, 37112536, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea, and Leyte, Mindoro, and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 22 April 1944 to 17 June 1945. During this period, Sergeant Hanson was a member of an anti-tank company in an infantry regiment. As a section leader during the Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea campaign, he often led combat and reconnaissance patrols, carrying them out quickly and efficiently. His initiative and ingenuity greatly aided his platoon leader in setting up ambushes which resulted in killing a large number of the enemy without casualties to his platoon. Due to the illness of his platoon leader during the Mindanao campaign, Sergeant Hanson willingly assumed the command and added responsibilities over short periods of time. On one occasion, during the absence of his platoon leader, his platoon was given the mission of defending a bridge on a vital supply route. His skillful emplacement of his automatic weapons, clearing of fields of fire, construction of wire entanglements and speed of execution brought praise from higher headquarters.

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to his platoon and company. On 2 June 1945, Sergeant Hanson was in command of one half of his platoon guarding a carrying party with supplies for an infantry battalion. As the party was crossing open terrain, enemy machine gun and rifle fire wounded three members of the party. Sergeant Hanson skillfully withdrew his guards to positions from which they could deliver a base of fire which enabled the rapid evacuation of the wounded. Sergeant Hanson's quick thinking, outstanding leadership and disregard for personal safety were undoubtedly instrumental in saving the lives of the seriously wounded men. Home address: Mrs. Isabella J. Hanson (mother), Thor, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant PHILIP D. ROCHE, JR., 130 3621, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at the Mainit River, Philippine Islands, on 28 October 1944. On this day, a company of infantry made a flank envelopment of the enemy left flank which was then situated on the west bank of the Mainit River, one and one-fourth miles northwest of Alangalang, Leyte, Philippine Islands. The enemy covered the bridge and Highway #2 with heavy machine gun and mortar fire. The company moved 500 yards northeast of the highway, forded the river, and assaulted the enemy defending the bridge. Sergeant Roche, squad leader of an infantry platoon, led his men in the 500-yard assault in a manner deserving the highest tribute. He observed a mortar position as it fired a round at our troops and destroyed it with his rifle by charging the position. He directed his men to fire into camouflaged spider holes occupied by the enemy with utter disregard for the heavy enemy sniper and machine gun fire. He continued to lead his men until the last position was over-run and destroyed. Sergeant Roche's gallant leadership, born of long training and steadfast devotion to duty, spurred the entire platoon to advance rapidly and vigorously. This advance totally destroyed the well entrenched Japs and captured the bridge, thereby allowing a general advance the following day. Home address: Mr. Philip D. Roche, Sr. (father), 157 King Street, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

II. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, D, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

First Sergeant JAMES A. SMITH, 6931086, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at the Simuay River near Fort Pikit, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. On this day, Sergeant Smith's company was in an advance movement. When men of the company reached the Simuay river, they waded across in a single file linked together by holding to one another. As the men pushed their way across the swift, two hundred foot wide, waist deep river, the file was broken. The swift water and the deep sandbottom immediately caused one man loaded with two packs, and another who was carrying a radio, to lose their footing and go down into the water. Sergeant Smith saw the men in trouble and immediately, without regard for personal safety, rushed to the men and one by one conducted them to a brush covered log that was lodged in the middle of the river. He then assisted each man to the shore. During this incident, Sergeant Smith's rifle was lost but he was able, through his quick acting, to save all other equipment.

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Sergeant Smith's brave and courageous act performed in the swift and treacherous river during the hours of darkness was directly responsible for saving the lives of these two men, and was an inspiration to all the members of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Frances Smith (mother), 927 Crville Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class EDWARD DYKSTRA, 37587809, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 8 June 1945. During this period, Private Dykstra, serving in the capacity of runner and guard, accompanied his commanding officer forward on numerous occasions to join the leading elements. He frequently became engaged in fire fights with the enemy in his aggressive determination to reach the command group's objective. On one occasion, he remained in an exposed position to protect the left flank of the command group until ordered to withdraw. On still another occasion, near the Davao River bridge, he was forced to carry messages through enemy small arms, automatic weapons and artillery fire. Private Dykstra's personal bravery and devotion to duty at all times was a credit to the military service and an inspiration to all with whom he served. Home address: Mr. Theo Dykstra (father), 928 Alton Street, Redlands, California.

Private First Class DELBERT A. HAYES, 38230478, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. On this day, Private Hayes was in command of an anti-tank squad making the assault when the jeep towing his gun hit a large mine and was destroyed. The driver was killed and three of his squad, including the gunner, were wounded. Private Hayes reorganized the squad and disengaged the gun from the jeep. This was accomplished under concentrated machine gun fire. Private Hayes then guided the gun, which was moved by hand, through the mine field to an exposed position. As soon as the gun was set up, it became the target of a machine gun. Private Hayes elected to act as gunner with the assistance of two men of his squad. He opened fire and in a very short time, destroyed the enemy machine gun. Private Hayes' initiative and devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Hattie K. Hayes (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, O'Brien, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade RALPH O. IVESTER, 34199879, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea, and Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 22 April 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louise M. Ivester (wife), 139 Easley Bridge Road, Greenville, South Carolina.

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Corporal HARRY L. KLINE, JR., 35742121, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. Corporal Kline was a member of an anti-tank squad making an assault on the beach. Upon reaching the beach, the prime mover of the gun hit a mine, was destroyed and started burning. Without regard for his own personal safety and under concentrated machine gun fire, Corporal Kline salvaged what ammunition he could from the burning wreckage and helped pull the gun by hand through the mine field. The gun was placed in position in an area subjected to heavy fire. Corporal Kline aided in setting up the gun and directed its fire toward the enemy positions, silencing their fire. Corporal Kline's extreme courage and devotion to duty brought credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary M. Kline (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, West Chicago, Illinois.

Captain RAYMOND G. ORSINGER, 0502951, Dental Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Pastrana, Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 27 October 1944. During the attack of an infantry battalion against strong enemy positions defending Pastrana, intense sniper fire resulted in numerous casualties. Approximately fifty wounded men were brought to the aid station in a three hour period, making it necessary to move the station to within 100 yards of the front lines. Captain Orsinger, who was attached to the battalion, realized the urgency of caring for these men and, working under the most hazardous conditions, gave efficient first aid and administered plasma to a large number of the wounded. By so assisting the battalion surgeon, he facilitated the rapid evacuation of badly wounded men and greatly increased their chances for recovery. Captain Orsinger's excellent work under such hazardous and trying conditions reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. William R. Orsinger (father), 7531 North Home Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant WILLARD H. REED, 35038423, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Esqueline Reed (wife), 214 West 12th Street, Muncie, Indiana.

Technical Sergeant JOSEPH R. SHOWMAN, 20930932, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 5 June to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Elmer S. Showman (brother), Chinook, Montana.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1938 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Sergeant WILMER L. HALLOCK, 36615323, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Leyte, Philippine Islands, on 24 November 1944. Sergeant Hallock was a member of a daring fourteen-man assault which sought to probe enemy defenses which had repulsed the efforts of their company for five days. Sergeant Hallock had advanced thirty yards under rifle and machine gun fire to a point where another rifleman was delivering fire upon an enemy position which had been raking the ridge with heavy fire from automatic weapons. Here they returned fire upon the enemy until the other soldier was seriously wounded. Then word was passed to them that the order had been given to withdraw. Sergeant Hallock dragged the wounded man through the heavy enemy fire for twenty yards to a covered position where he could be given medical attention. Their progress was slow, and they made excellent targets for the enemy. The men were under a hail of fire for approximately fifteen minutes. The courage of Sergeant Hallock, and complete disregard for his own safety, was an inspiration to every man in the company and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Next of kin: Mrs. Bertha Hallock (mother), B. W. S. Illinois.

Captain JOHN E. WARD, 02034999, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. For gallantry in action in Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 2, 3 and 5 May 1945. During the night of 2-3 May Captain Ward, with the leading elements of the infantry assault units, entered the City of Davao and operated throughout the night and following day with the leading patrols, investigating reported enemy chemical mines and chemical activities. Although being under enemy artillery, automatic weapons, mortar and small arms fire, plus house to house sniper fire, Captain Ward, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, successfully carried out his mission. On 5 May Captain Ward again went forward to investigate a report of chemical mines along Davao Gulf.

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Without thought for his own personal safety he dug up one of the mines, brought it to the command post, where he had sufficient tools with which to work, and disarmed it. These displays of personal courage and coolness on the part of Captain Ward in executing particularly hazardous missions were instrumental in making possible the rapid advance of our troops and reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Zonie W. Ward (aunt), Darling, Mississippi.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, ID, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade HARLEY ALEXANDER, 39381373, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 26 December 1944 to 12 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Queen (sister), Rural Free Delivery, Route #4, Arlington, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade HAROLD E. BALICK, 38024701, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 5 November 1944 to 9 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Harry A. Balick (father), 823 West Hazel Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Sergeant LAWRENCE C. FUERST, 20654522, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 29 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ida Fuerst (mother), 1102 Montgomery Street, New London, Wisconsin.

First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) WILLARD B. HOLLENBECK, 02036059, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 20 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Nellie M. Hollenbeck (mother), 722 North Riverside Avenue, Medford, Oregon.

First Lieutenant GARNER LUTZ, 01894393, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 26 October 1944 to 8 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice Lutz (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #3, Grinnell, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade ANTHONY J. PARISI, 13037501, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 26 December 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Nick Parisi (father), 1216 Ashland Street, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class **LEO F. TABER**, 18002000, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 5 May 1945. On this day, Private Taber was an assistant squad leader of a combat patrol. Private Taber's squad leader and several other men became casualties due to enemy machine gun and rifle fire and a mine explosion. Private Taber immediately took command of the squad and placed the men in the most advantageous positions for covering the area and giving protection to the flanks. He then ran forward beyond the front lines, with utter disregard for his personal safety, to help a wounded man to safety. In so doing, Private Taber exposed himself to machine gun fire and was the target of several enemy riflemen. The quick thinking and immediate action of Private Taber repulsed the enemy attack and was a contributing factor to the successful accomplishment of the patrol's mission. Private Taber's heroic actions under enemy fire earned for him the highest respect of the officers and men in his organization and reflect much credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Roy C. Taber (father), Box 1201, Enid, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant **ROBERT J. TILLMA**, 37249072, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 24 October 1944 to 10 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Tillma (wife), Castlewood, South Dakota.

First Lieutenant **HEROLD A. WILD**, 01053432, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands, from 1 January to 11 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virginia T. Wild (wife), 6116-33rd Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

III. **BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)**.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Lloyd H. Price, 01995671, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 15, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 11 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain **LLOYD H. PRICE**, 01995671, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, from 17 April to 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lloyd H. Price (wife), 9413 Robert Street, Dallas, Texas.

IV. **PURPLE HEART**.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

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First Lieutenant HAROLD W. STUART, 01176518, Field Artillery, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Goma, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on 30 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Willoughby H. Stuart, Jr. (father), 12 Reservoir, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

V. COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE.--Under the provisions of War Department Circular No. 408, dated 27 October 1944, the Combat Infantryman Badge is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Colonel GEORGE C. [REDACTED], 0308740, Infantry, United States Army. For exemplary performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands, on and after 1 July 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 3, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade AUGUST S. FIIHR, 37384094, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 21 February 1945. A platoon of an infantry company was deployed, guarding a road block. About 100 feet above their positions, the enemy had concealed in a tunnel a great quantity of explosives and motor fuel. At 2140 that night, the Japs detonated this dump. The explosion started an avalanche of rock and debris, covering our positions. Corporal Fiihr, on his own initiative, crawled through an area where rocks were still falling, dug out the SCR-300 radio, and kept contact with the battalion throughout the night. As a result of his efforts, litters and medical supplies were brought up at the first opportunity. When help arrived, he assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. Unknown to others, Corporal Fiihr had himself been injured during the action, and as he was leaving the position, he collapsed. Corporal Fiihr's fearless performance of duty was an inspiration to all and a credit to the armed services. Home address: Mr. George H. Fiihr (father), 301 Fifth Street, Carthage, Missouri.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) EUGLID C. MILLIARD, 31044531, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. On this day, Sergeant Milliard was a member of a six-man road block on the lower level on the south side of Malinta hill. At 1130, an enemy machine gun opened fire on their position from a cave one hundred yards to their right flank. An enemy mortar simultaneously began zeroing in on the position. The outpost immediately laid effective fire from an automatic rifle, their only automatic weapon, upon the cave which temporarily silenced the machine gun. Suddenly a large group of Japs approached the road block under cover of the mortar barrage. While the automatic rifleman still covered the cave, the others opened fire with rifles and hurled grenades against the attacking Japs, driving them back with heavy casualties. The Japs realizing that their only chance of success was to silence the automatic weapon, launched four successive attacks on the flanks of the outpost. Although one man had been wounded and the others badly shaken by the enemy mortar fire, the

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men repulsed attack after attack until 1630, when the enemy machine gun was permanently silenced. When the engagement was over, twenty-five Japs were found lying in the surrounding area. Sergeant Milliard's heroic action in this incident reflects great credit upon himself and serves as an inspiration to those who were with him. Home address: Mrs. Octave Bouchard (sister), 10 Free Street, Saco, Maine.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, ED, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class LEO W. BINKLEY, 36469991, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 21 February 1945. Private Binkley's platoon was on an offensive road block on the south side of Malinta Hill when the enemy detonated a huge store of explosives and motor fuel in a tunnel approximately one hundred feet above the position. The terrific explosion started a landslide of rock and debris, and large volumes of fire rolled from the mouth of the tunnel, engulfing the whole area. Private Binkley exposed himself to fire and falling rock and went to the assistance of his injured comrades, who had been partially buried by the avalanche. Using his bare hands, he uncovered the injured men and removed them to safety. When he returned to his post at the road block, Private Binkley was called upon to help another soldier who had been thrown below the cliff and was buried to the waist. With only his bleeding hands he quickly uncovered the injured man and then went for equipment to lift him from the ledge. He found a wire cable, lowered it to a soldier who secured it to the injured man, and then pulled him to safety. Private Binkley's actions were a credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Carmen Binkley (wife), 30 East Montgomery, Coldwater, Michigan.

Private First Class ROBERT D. HENDEE, 37432131, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at San Jose Beach, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. Private Hendee drove his vehicle pulling a 37mm anti-tank gun through an active mine field and successfully placed the gun in position to fire on a machine gun and mortar emplacement on Malinta Hill which was causing casualties among our troops. Shortly after placing the gun his vehicle struck a mine, throwing him to the ground. Although severely cut on the face and suffering from a fractured arm, Private Hendee administered first aid to other members of the gun squad who were injured in the explosion. Private Hendee's gallant action under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire, without regard for his personal comfort and safety, gained him the admiration of his officers and comrades. Home address: Mrs. Julia Hendee (mother), 115 South Locust Street, Colfax, Iowa.

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Technician Third Grade EDWARD W. HOGAN, 38083801, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southern Philippines Area from 20 October 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret M. Hogan (mother), 2677 Douglas Place, Denver, Colorado.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE A. MISETA, 37432209, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. Sergeant Miseta was in command of an anti-tank squad which took part in the assault on Corregidor. When the prime mover of his gun hit the beach, it struck a land mine and was completely destroyed. Sergeant Miseta, without regard for his personal safety, and under concentrated enemy machine gun fire, organized the remaining members of his squad to salvage what ammunition they could from the burning wreckage. He then joined the other squad and helped pull the gun by hand through the mine field, which at the time was under machine gun fire. He then placed his gun into action and engaged the enemy with accurate well-aimed fire. Sergeant Miseta's heroic actions, performed without orders, has brought added credit to himself and to his organization. Home address: Mrs. Catherine Miseta (mother), 902 First Street, North, Newton, Iowa.

Private First Class JOHN R. SMITH, 37743675, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 21 February 1945. A platoon of an infantry company had set up a road block on the south side of the hill. About 100 feet above their position the Japs had concealed a huge store of explosives and motor fuel in a tunnel. When the enemy detonated the munition dump there followed a terrific explosion which started a landslide of rock and debris, and large volumes of fire burst over the entire area. Private Smith was knocked unconscious when a large rock struck his head. Recovering consciousness within a few minutes, he returned to his post of duty. Realizing that many men had been buried by the landslide, he immediately started digging the injured men from the rocks and debris in which they were buried. During this rescue, another explosion occurred showering the area with rocks, but Private Smith continued to evacuate the injured men. Private Smith returned to his post of duty and continued to guard all night, in spite of his serious head injury which was later found to be a fracture. Private Smith's services were an inspiration to all and a credit to the military service. Home address: Mrs. Marjorie Smith (wife), Jameson, Missouri.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. These men were members of a six-man road block on the lower level on the south side of Malinta Hill. At 1130,

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an enemy machine gun opened fire on their position from a cave 100 yards to their right flank. An enemy mortar simultaneously began zeroing in on the position. The outpost immediately laid effective fire from a BAR, their only automatic weapon, upon the cave, which temporarily silenced the machine gun. Suddenly, a large group of Japs approached the road block under cover of the mortar barrage. While the BAR man still covered the cave, the others opened fire with rifles and hurled grenades against the attacking Jap, driving them back with heavy casualties. The Japs, realizing that their only chance of success was to silence the BAR, launched four successive attacks on the flanks of the outpost. Although one man had been wounded and the others badly shaken by the enemy mortar fire, the men repulsed attack after attack until 1630, when the enemy machine gun was permanently silenced. When the engagement was over, twenty-five Japs were found lying in the surrounding area. The heroism of these men was an inspiration to all and reflects high credit upon themselves and the military service.

Private First Class WALTER L. CHAPMAN, 32284866, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Gene Fisher (sister), 360 West Genessee, Syracuse, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade WALTER A. HAYES, 34659398, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Gladys Hayes (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, c/o B. B. Bishop, Tyron, North Carolina.

Private First Class JOHN A. KUJALA, 39142312, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Henry Kujala (father), Box 256, Fort Bragg, California.

Private First Class MELON K. PRINCE, 34735816, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Nell M. Prince (mother), General Delivery, Huntland, Tennessee.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malinta Hill on 16 February 1945. During an attack on Malinta Hill, it was necessary to leave a wounded man on the lower road level about 150 yards below an infantry company's outpost on the east side of the hill. The terrain leading to the wounded man's position was extremely steep, thus preventing the use of litter bearers. The following named enlisted men volunteered to attempt to rescue the wounded man. During their entire descent they were exposed to deadly enemy sniper fire that kept chipping the rocks all around them. When they finally reached the road, they found that it, too, was covered by concentrated sniper fire, but continued advancing until they reached the wounded man. After administering effective first aid, they began the laborious trip back up the hill. Because of their burden they were unable to cover their own advance with rifle fire. After 45 minutes of steady climbing up the treacherous trail, they reached the top and safety. The actions of the following named enlisted men undoubtedly saved the wounded man's life.

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Sergeant ORIE R. RICHARDSON, 35212058, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Vernie Richardson (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Cutler, Ohio.

Private First Class GEORGE L. GROUNDS, 38441427, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Elmer Grounds, Sr. (father), Box 197, Penwell, Texas.

Private First Class CLIFFORD G. HANLIN, 37642577, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Clifford Hanlin (father), 1603 North "F" Street, Elwood, Indiana.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class Wilbur A. Spoonhour by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 29, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 5 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

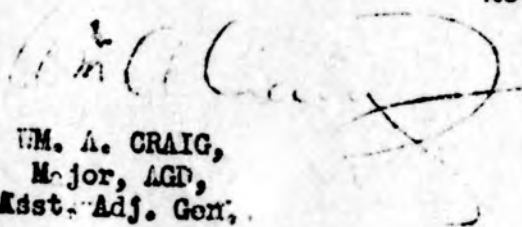
Private First Class WILBUR A. SPOONHOUR, 33514383, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands, on 16 February 1945. On this day, Sergeant Spoonhour was a member of a six-man road block on the lower level on the south side of Malinta Hill. At 1130, an enemy machine gun opened fire on their position from a cave one hundred yards to their right flank. An enemy mortar simultaneously began zeroing in on the position. The outpost immediately laid effective fire from an automatic rifle, their only automatic weapon, upon the cave, which temporarily silenced the machine gun. Suddenly, a large group of Japs approached the road block under cover of the mortar barrage. While the automatic rifleman still covered the cave, the others opened fire with rifles and hurled grenades against the attacking Japs, driving them back with heavy casualties. The Japs realizing that their only chance of success was to silence the automatic weapon, launched four successive attacks on the flanks of the outpost. Although one man had been wounded and the others badly shaken by the enemy mortar fire, the men repulsed attack after attack until 1630, when the enemy machine gun was permanently silenced. When the engagement was over, twenty-five Japs were found lying in the surrounding area. Private Spoonhour's heroic action in this incident, reflects great credit upon himself and serves as an inspiration to those who were with him. Home address: Mrs. Anna Spoonhour (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #6, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class ANTHONY J. KRASUSKI, 16108612, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Ula, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 6 June 1945. An infantry company advancing through enemy held territory encountered a number of enemy emplacements. Heavy and accurate automatic weapons and rifle fire from the enemy caused several casualties in Private Krasuski's platoon, three of whom were seriously wounded. Private Krasuski, a voluntary member of this platoon to which he was not attached, attempted to administer aid to the wounded, but was repulsed by automatic weapons fire. Undaunted, he secured the services of a mortar observer and assisted him in covering the area with a protective smoke screen. He then led a litter squad along a concealed route to the casualties, administered first aid, and organized their evacuation. Although a sniper's bullet struck his helmet and caused a second injury to one of the patients, Private Krasuski remained at his post until all the casualties had been removed to safety. His calm bravery throughout the action was a credit to himself and in keeping with the high standards of the medical service. Home address: Mrs. Veronica Krasuski (mother), 3345 Roosevelt Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Sergeant HUBERT A. THORNTON, 38508358, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Talomo River, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. Sergeant Thornton and twelve other men were given the mission of protecting two tanks in an attempt to recover the body of a missing man near an enemy pillbox. As they approached, heavy machine gun and rifle fire caused three casualties and forced one tank and most of the men to withdraw. Sergeant Thornton and one other man remained behind with the other tank. Upon seeing the body of the missing man, Sergeant Thornton ran forward through the heavy enemy fire, picked up the body, and returned with it to the tank.

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As the vehicle withdrew, he accompanied it to protect it from enemy suicide demolition men until it had reached safety with the body of the dead man. Sergeant Thornton's fidelity to duty and determination to fulfill his mission regardless of personal danger is in accordance with the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Nancy Stills (mother), Homersville, Missouri.

II. SILVER STAR (SECOND OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Brigadier General Kenneth F. Cramer, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 33, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 25 December 1944, and in addition to the Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 33, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 25 December 1944, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Brigadier General KENNETH F. CRAMER, 0166429, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Bancal, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. General Cramer inspected forward elements of an infantry regiment who were attacking heavily fortified enemy positions approximately 1200 yards northwest of Bancal. The attackers were opposed by intense mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire. General Cramer worked his way up to a position close to an 81mm mortar observation party directing fire from positions in an open field. At that point in the battle an enemy machine gun sprayed the area occupied by the observers, killing one man and seriously wounding an officer. Seeing the wounded officer crawling towards his position and realizing that he could not reach cover unaided, General Cramer, without considering his personal safety, left his covered position and ran through the fire swept area to the wounded officer. Despite the hostile fire, which was increasing in intensity, General Cramer assisted the wounded officer over fifty yards of exposed ground until he reached a position of safety where he received first aid. General Cramer's gallant and selfless action, performed at the risk of his life, was an inspiration to all the officers and men present and reflects the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ruth F. Cramer (wife), 75 Center Street, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class GEORGE L. ADAMS, JR., 33094259, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Temogan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 25 June 1945. Home address: Mr. George L. Adams (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #3, Box 83, Petersburg, New Jersey.

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Private First Class ROLAND E. BALDWIN, 37659588, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Sasa Airbase, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 26 May 1945. Private Baldwin was a member of a combat patrol which was ambushed and pinned down by enemy rifle and machine gun fire. He immediately ran forward through the heavy enemy fire from both flanks, set up his machine gun in an exposed position, and opened effective fire against the enemy positions. Under cover of his fire, the other members of the patrol crawled to the wounded and evacuated them to safety. Private Baldwin's courageous action reflects worthy credit upon himself and was an inspiration to the members of his unit. Home address: Mrs. Agnes M. Baldwin (mother), 131 Gable Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

Technician Third Grade WARREN L. BOUGHTON, 36027677, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 15 November 1943 to 20 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Bonnie L. Boughton (mother), 153rd and Wester Avenue, Harvey, Illinois.

Private First Class CARL BOYD, 39421080, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Panacan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. Private Boyd was with the leading elements of an infantry company advancing up a road near Panacan when the unit was pinned down by heavy enemy rifle, machine gun, and 20mm weapon fire. Under this heavy fire the company withdrew. It was found then that one scout was missing. Private Boyd immediately volunteered to return and find him. He crawled forward but was forced to withdraw before he could locate the wounded soldier. Again he went forward through intense sniper fire, and this time he found the scout. Finding him dead, Private Boyd removed his personal belongings, since it was impossible to drag him back. Later he led a litter squad up to try to evacuate the body, crawling ahead of the litter team to draw the enemy fire. Again, heavy fire forced the men to withdraw without accomplishing their mission. Private Boyd's heroic action in risking his life three times was an inspiration to all the members of his organization and exemplifies the highest traditions of the soldier. Home address: Mrs. Evelyn M. Boyd (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Torrington, Wyoming.

First Lieutenant (Upon Second Lieutenant) NILES J. FISHER, 01180495, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 3 February to 14 February 1945. Home address: Mr. F. O. Fisher (father), 305 Central Street, Peoria, Illinois.

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Private First Class HOWARD P. FOREMAN, 38243784, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 8 June 1945. An infantry company was advancing along a trail about 1000 yards east of Mandog Hill, when it came under intense enemy rifle and machine gun fire. Private Foreman's platoon made a forced withdrawal to reorganize. It was then discovered that a wounded man had been left behind. Private Foreman unhesitatingly volunteered to return for him. The enemy fire was so intense that he made three attempts before he could reach the casualty to bring him to safety. Private Foreman's actions were inspired by his heroic determination to help a wounded comrade. His courageous deed saved the life of the member of his platoon, and reflects high credit upon himself. Home address: Mrs. Elia Foreman (mother), Jefferson Island, Louisiana.

Warrant Officer (junior grade) EDMUND F. HENRY, #2127564, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 15 April to 15 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy H. Henry (wife), 17 Ashland Street, Arlington, Massachusetts.

Captain RALPH A. HUGGETT, 0521601, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ormoc, Leyte, Philippine Islands from 29 December 1944 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vera M. Huggett (wife), 1612 53rd Street, Seattle, Washington.

Private First Class MELVIN H. JOHNSON, 16110560, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sasa Airdrome, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 26 May 1945. Private Johnson was a member of a combat patrol when it came under heavy enemy fire from rifles and two machine guns. Simultaneously, an enemy land mine was detonated by a pull cord. The terrific explosion seriously wounded the first scout and caused several other casualties. Under the intense fire, Private Johnson dashed forward, pulled the wounded man into a small depression, and gave him first aid. Exposing himself still further, he dragged the wounded man approximately twenty bullet-swept yards to a position from which he could be evacuated safely. Private Johnson's heroic actions reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Helen Johnson (mother), 1524 Delaware Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD E. KETCHAM, 39024596, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 9 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Donald V. Ketcham (brother), 2075 Monroe Road, Santa Rosa, California.

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Private First Class ALBERT POWIS, JR., 151019C5, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 9 June 1945. An infantry company was advancing along a road with the mission of destroying an enemy strong point, when the leading elements were held up by a strong enemy force defending the area. Heavy enemy machine gun fire covering the road prevented the ground troops from advancing. Tanks were then called forward to knock out the Japanese machine gun positions. When they appeared, the enemy fire increased in intensity. One man was wounded in the leg and fell on the right side of the road. Private Powis, who was across the road, saw the incident. Despite the heavy enemy fire sweeping the road, he ran across to the man and bandaged his wounds, and remained with him until a company aid man was able to come forward. Private Powis' quick thinking and daring action under heavy enemy fire reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Albert Powis Sr. (father), 1559 East 75th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant ANDREW S. PRZYBYSZ, 36731372, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Mintal Highway, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 13 May 1945. An infantry company attacked enemy positions along the Mintal Highway. The company advanced approximately 700 yards beyond the nearest supporting company when enemy machine guns and mortars from hidden positions opened fire against the attackers, causing four casualties. Unable to find any point from which he could observe and adjust his 81mm mortar fire, Sergeant Przybyz, mortar section leader, requested that one of the attached tank destroyers be sent forward. Disregarding the heavy enemy fire, he moved forward in the tank destroyer, located the enemy positions, and then voluntarily exposed himself to accurately direct his mortar fire. His rapid and accurate adjustments quickly silenced the enemy mortar and enabled his company to move forward. Sergeant Przybyz' quick thinking and daring action served as an inspiration to every man in his organization and was in keeping with the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Frank Przybyz (father), 938 Park Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Major JOHN E. ROMIG, 0222682, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Ormoc, Leyte, Philippine Islands from 29 December 1944 to 5 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora R. Romig (wife), Duncannon, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant CHARLEY RONK, 36026247, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 15 November 1943 to 20 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Jess L. Ronk (father), Box 113, Arcola, Illinois.

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Private First Class JOSEPH RUGGIERI, 33948366, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Bancal, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. An infantry company was ordered to attack a heavily fortified road intersection of high tactical importance, located in terrain densely covered with abaca groves and underbrush. When the company was about 300 yards from its destination, an enemy 40mm anti-aircraft gun leveled its muzzle and fired into the area with devastating effect. During the barrage, fifteen men were wounded by shrapnel. Seeing that medical attention was necessary, Private Ruggieri volunteered to return to the aid station and guide litter bearers to the wounded men. Private Ruggieri moved stealthily for 600 yards under intermittent sniper fire, hacking a trail as he went, so as to enable a swift return of the litter bearers. It was Private Ruggieri's indomitable courage that brought about early medical treatment of his wounded comrades. Home address: Mrs. Helen A. Ruggieri (wife), 2527 South 11th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class ROY E. SALZGABER, 35420171, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 26 May to 8 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Roy E. Salzgeber (mother), 3068 Tremont Road, Columbus, Ohio.

IV. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Kenneth C. Kinkle, 01283444, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 13, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 8 July 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain KENNETH C. KINKLE, 01283444, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Emily Kinkle (mother), 196 Atlantic Street, Bridgeton, New York.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel James T. Pearsall, Jr., 020774, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 75, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 20 July 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

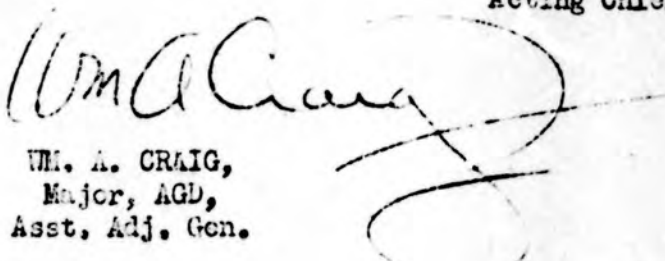
Lieutenant Colonel JAMES T. PEARSALL, JR., 020774, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 29 May to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virginia S. Pearsall (wife), 21 Ingraham Boulevard, Hempsted, New York.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

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* Staff Sergeant JOSEPH P. BARON, 36329316, Medical Department,

United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talomo, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. While attached to a battalion aid station of an infantry regiment, Sergeant Baron led a squad of litter bearers forward up a small knoll to evacuate a seriously wounded infantryman lying near an enemy occupied pillbox. Since the area was open to enemy view, two medium tanks were ordered forward to give covering fire while Sergeant Baron and his litter squad crossed the open stretch of ground. As the tanks moved forward, another soldier was seriously wounded in the abdomen. One litter bearer quickly reached the man and administered first aid under enemy fire so intense that bullets ripped through his pack as he worked. Sergeant Baron exposed himself to the direct enemy machine gun fire as he moved forward with a litter in a gallant attempt to reach the wounded man by the pillbox. His errand of mercy was cut short when he was only a few yards from the wounded man. He was struck in the chest by several enemy machine gun bullets and killed instantly. Sergeant Baron's heroic devotion to duty and supreme sacrifice will continue to inspire the men who witnessed his action. Next of kin: Miss Mary Baron (sister), 2718 West 24th Place, Chicago, Illinois.

II. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Captain RICHARD J. BAKER, O437744, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Leyte, Philippine Islands from 21 to 29 October 1944. Captain Baker, commander of a rifle company, displayed outstanding leadership combined with ingenuity and resourcefulness

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during the entire Loyte operation. Although his company was repeatedly under mortar, machine gun and rifle fire, Captain Baker remained with the forward elements, directing their fire, controlling the company's position and supervising the evacuation of the wounded. By his calm disregard for enemy fire and inspiring the aggressive actions of his men, he brought about continuous success for his organization. Captain Baker's heroic leadership was in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Jean L. Baker (wife), 4510 Liberty Heights, Baltimore, Maryland.

Lieutenant Colonel CHESTER A. DAHLEN, 019020, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Zig-Zag Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 3 and 4 February 1945. On 3 February, a regimental combat team was committed to action in Zig-Zag Pass. It became necessary to plan operation on the ground, fitting the flexible general plan to the developing characteristics of an enemy defense the character of which was initially indistinct. Having brilliantly assisted in the execution of the well-planned earlier stages of the Zambales campaign, Colonel Dahlen, executive officer of the combat team, recognized the necessity for first-hand knowledge and on-the-spot control of the situation in the Pass. From the earliest hour of the action, he remained far closer to the front than his duties demanded. Never interfering with the activities of battalion commanders, he nevertheless maintained a complete knowledge and control of the situation, aiding those officers and the regimental commander in shaping the drive which deeply pierced the enemy stronghold and seized the advantage which ended in victory. His decisions were quick, aggressive, and sound. His personal intrepidity and complete self-possession in the face of hazardous sniper fire and the continuous deadly hail of shrapnel were an inspiration and a steadying influence through nerve-racking hours. He remained in this position until he was painfully wounded in the thigh by a shell fragment the following morning. Suffering pain and loss of blood, he exchanged quips and smiles with those about him, refused medical aid until assured the aid-man was not more urgently needed elsewhere, and would not leave the field until certain his presence was no longer necessary. Colonel Dahlen's cheerfulness and apparent unconcern for his wound were as much an inspiration to his officers and men as had been his previous importurbability and courage. Home address: Mrs. Ursula M. Dahlen (wife), c/o Brigadier General S. Erickson, 4th Service Command, Atlanta Georgia.

Private First Class BERNARD SCHNELLER, 39726386, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Matina, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 1 June 1945. At approximately 1530, leading elements of an infantry company were assaulting a strongly defended hill near Matina, and were halted by cross-fire from three enemy machine guns and numerous Japanese riflemen. Seeing a wounded soldier lying helpless in open terrain, Private Schneller immediately proceeded to his aid. With complete disregard for his personal safety he crawled forward 25 yards under aimed enemy fire, with little cover and concealment, to the side of the wounded man. As supporting fire was not available, Private Schneller was forced to fire his carbine with his right hand to cover himself and the wounded soldier while administering aid

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with his left hand. Still firing his carbine, he dragged his comrade back to a point where litter bearers could evacuate him. Private Schneller's indomitable courage, self-sacrificing conduct and gallantry under fire earned for him the respect and admiration of his officers and fellow soldiers. Home address: Mrs. Nettie Schneller (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Carlton, Oregon.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM E. WIRCHICOFSKI, 32010278, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Bancal, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 4 May 1945. On that day, elements of an infantry company drove an unknown number of Japs from a strong defensive position consisting of four heavily fortified pillboxes and a communication and fire trench, 100 yards in length, located one-half mile north of Bancal. At approximately 1815, while the captured positions were being consolidated by the company, the enemy launched a fierce counter-attack, placing the entire company under heavy and accurate rifle, machine gun, mortar and grenade fire. In the opening moments of the counter-attack, the section leader and the gunner of the only available 60mm mortar squad were seriously wounded. The mortar squad, having lost its leader and the gunner, was disorganized and unable to function in the face of the fierce Jap fire. Sergeant Wirchicofski, platoon sergeant and acting weapons platoon leader, with utter disregard for his own safety, immediately directed and assisted the carrying of the two stricken men to safety. He then reorganized the mortar squad and directed it to a covered position from which fire could be placed effectively on the enemy. From an open and dangerous position while exposed to intense enemy rifle and machine gun fire, he calmly and skillfully directed accurate and effective mortar fire on the enemy until the Jap counter-attack was repulsed. The effectiveness of the mortar fire directed by Sergeant Wirchicofski contributed in large measure to the repulse of the Jap counterattack, thereby enabling the company to hold its hard-earned ground. Sergeant Wirchicofski's gallant devotion to duty and skillful leadership under heavy fire was an inspiration to all and a distinct credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Stella Baylak (mother), 240 East 4th Street, New York City, New York.

III. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Private First Class Carlton Alcott, Jr., by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 13, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 8 July 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class CARLTON ALCOTT, JR., 34037541, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Mandog Hill, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 5 June 1945. Private Alcott was a member of an assault platoon which was attacking a well fortified enemy position.

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Heavy enemy machine gun, mortar, and rifle fire from nearby trenches and pillboxes pinned down the platoon and badly wounded an automatic rifleman. Private Alcott, the platoon runner, immediately picked up the fallen man's weapon and opened fire against the enemy emplacements enabling the platoon to withdraw. As he withdrew he exposed himself to the heavy enemy machine gun cross fire to recover the wounded man who was lying approximately 25 yards from one of the enemy machine guns. Private Alcott's gallant action was an inspiration to the men of his unit, and his rescue of his wounded comrade at the risk of his own life is worthy of the highest military traditions. Home address: Mr. Carlton Alcott, Sr., (father), 181 Washington Street, Mount Holly, New Jersey.

IV. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands on 17 February 1945. On this day, the command post of an infantry company was set up on the crest of Malinta Hill, overlooking a small ridged valley infested with Japs. At approximately 1600 hours, a squad of men was sent 500 yards down the hill to contact an observation post and put in communication lines. While enroute, the squad was subjected to heavy enemy rifle fire and grenades. Two men were wounded and four killed. When news of this reached the commanding officer, he promptly took another squad of men to evacuate the wounded. This squad also drew heavy enemy fire and as a result, the commanding officer was killed and one rifleman wounded. The following named enlisted men and six comrades, with utter disregard for their own personal safety, volunteered to go down and bring back the wounded men of the two squads. Proceeding through the intense hostile fire, they reached the wounded men, placed them on litters, and evacuated them to safety. This was accomplished without covering fire of any kind as each man had to be utilized as a litter bearer. The gallantry of these men was an inspiration to all and reflects great credit upon themselves and the military service:

Private First Class JOHN J. CHAMBERLIN, 32939198, Infantry, United States Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Mary Chamberlin (mother), 3 Irving Avenue, Binghamton, New York.

Private First Class YSA R. DELGADO, 39531062, Infantry, United States Army. Next of kin: Mrs. Analia Dolgado (wife), Bryn Mawr, California.

V. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

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Technical Sergeant **HESTER P. JORDAN**, 38076936, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Romblon, Philippine Islands, on 13 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha J. Jordan (mother), General Delivery, Idebel, Oklahoma.

Second Lieutenant (then Staff Sergeant) **PETER MANUEL**, 02023965, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 4 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy Manuel (mother), 1131 Garden Street, Peoria, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant **MAURICE H. PROCTOR**, 34105825, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 October 1944 to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cornelia C. Proctor (wife), 2200 Wesley Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.

Private First Class **EDWARD E. SCHALL**, 37235771, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Private Schall was attached as aid man to an infantry company which was advancing through a banana grove toward high ground when it made contact with an enemy force of unknown strength. During the bitter fight that ensued, a Jap soldier detonated a large quantity of bombs and dynamite stored in a shack. The terrific explosion wounded 28 men. Private Schall, under observation of the enemy, quickly moved to the wounded men and administered first aid. Before the wounded could be evacuated enemy rifles and machine guns opened fire, wounding another man in both legs. The company was then ordered to withdraw its left flank to a better position, which would leave the wounded man completely exposed. Private Schall realized this. Knowing well the danger involved, he administered first aid to the wounded man, removed his poncho from his pack and dragged him to safety through the heavy enemy fire. Private Schall's heroic actions in risking his life to save a fellow soldier exemplify the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Virginia D. Schall (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Bogard, Mississippi.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 22 April to 25 December 1944:

Private First Class **HARVEY M. DAVIS**, 36261969, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Davis (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Grandon, Wisconsin.

Sergeant **EDWARD L. GREEN**, 34239224, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. N. M. Green (mother), 502 Agnes Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee.

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Private First Class HENRY C. MAY, 39112729, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Ova Nichols (friend), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Marysville, California.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Malinta Hill, Corregidor, Philippine Islands on 17 February 1945. On that day the command post of an infantry company was set up on the crest of Malinta Hill, overlooking a small ridged valley infested with Japs. At approximately 1600 hours, a squad of men was sent 500 yards down the hill to contact an observation post and put in communication lines. While enroute, the squad was subjected to heavy enemy rifle fire and grenades. Two men were wounded and four killed. When news of this reached the commanding officer, he promptly took another squad of men to evacuate the wounded. This squad also drew heavy enemy fire and as a result, the commanding officer was killed and one rifleman wounded. The following named enlisted men and two comrades, with utter disregard for their own safety, volunteered to go down and bring back the wounded men of the two squads. They proceeded through the intense hostile fire, reached the wounded men, placed them on litters and evacuated them to safety. This was accomplished without covering fire of any kind, as each man had to be utilized as a litter bearer. The gallantry of these men was an inspiration to all and reflects high credit upon themselves and the military service:

Staff Sergeant CARL L. BUTZIER, 35280020, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruby M. Butzier (mother), Kansas, Ohio.

Sergeant FLOYD R. HONAKER, 35128964, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Lillie W. Honaker (mother), 828 West "H" Street, Ashland, Ohio.

Private First Class MILUS D. OXFORD, 39463041, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Thelma M. Oxford (wife), Pomeroy, Washington.

Private First Class AMADO DELA ROSA, 38461264, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Maclovio R. Acstrada (cousin), Brackettville, Texas.

Private First Class JAMES H. SKIVER, 42144911, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Marion L. Skiver (wife), Box 84, East Otts, New York.

Private First Class EDUARD J. STANGRET, 36692502, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Stephanie B. Stangret (wife), 1316 West Hadden Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February, 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea from 22 April to 13 October 1944:

Staff Sergeant **GERALD H. ELLSWORTH**, 37112509, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Verna R. Ellsworth (mother), Bradgate, Iowa.

Sergeant **ERVIN E. FAUL**, 37320911, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Emma Faul (mother), 1017 Birch Avenue, Harvey, North Carolina.

Sergeant **ROBERT O. REPA**, 36279448, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Emelie Repa (mother), 1744 Edgewood Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

VI. **BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)**.--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class **HOLLAND M. CREED**, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 33, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 25 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class **HOLLAND M. CREED**, 37730070, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Calinan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. At approximately 1430, Private Creed was driving his company commander in a jeep along a dusty, unused sideroad near the front in search of two long-overdue ambulances. Visibility was extremely limited due to the dust as well as the heavy undergrowth along both sides of the road. Private Creed's vehicle was directly behind another jeep when they suddenly encountered an enemy ambush. Heavy machine gun fire burst from the undergrowth ahead, and several bullets struck Private Creed's vehicle. One bullet punctured the radiator. The occupants of the leading vehicle took cover behind their jeep, afraid to expose themselves by moving. A plan of escape was formulated which called for the two men behind the leading jeep to crawl to the small ditch beside the road and withdraw a short distance. Private Creed was then to drive his vehicle backward, pick up the men and continue down the road to safety. After the men had withdrawn a short distance, Private Creed slipped into the damaged jeep in the face of the enemy fire, not knowing if the motor would start. Then it did, he raced the vehicle down the road, picked up the other men, and completed the successful withdrawal. The courage and resourcefulness exhibited by Private Creed in this critical situation was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. H. M. Creed (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Lathan, Kansas.

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2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Gerald H. Ellsworth, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in Section V, above, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant GERALD H. ELLSWORTH, 3712509, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 October to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Verna R. Ellsworth (mother), Bradgate, Iowa.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant Ervin E. Faul, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in Section V, above, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant ERVIN E. FAUL, 37320911, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 October to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Emma Faul (mother), 1017 Burch Avenue, Harvey, North Carolina.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade Joseph I. Peyton, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 32, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 27 May 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Technician Fourth Grade JOSEPH I. PEYTON, 33067933, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Davao City, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 5 May 1945. At approximately 1440 hours, a large number of Jap naval six-inch artillery shells landed in the vicinity of the regimental command post. Four shells exploded among the members of the defense platoon wounding six men. On the call for an aid man, Sergeant Peyton left his position, ran to the aid station, picked up two litters and went to the area where the wounded lay. Here he immediately took charge of the situation and supervised the evacuation of the wounded. When two more litters were needed, he made a second trip to the aid station for them. Sergeant Peyton's actions were instrumental in saving the lives of four of the more seriously wounded. His cool supervision of the evacuation under sporadic enemy artillery fire was an inspiration to all and is in accord with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Margaret A. Peyton (wife), 409 West 24th Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

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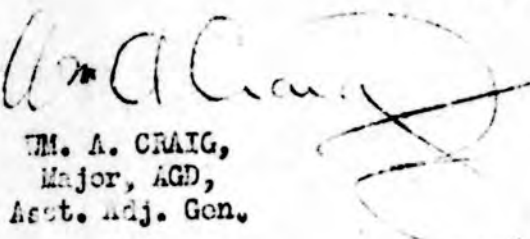
5. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant Robert O. Ropa, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in Section V, above, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Sergeant ROBERT O. REPA, 36279443, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 October to 25 December 1944. Home address: Mrs. Enelle Ropa (mother), 1744 Edgewood Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

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I. SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

First Lieutenant HERBERT D. ERP, JR., O1175700, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Davao City, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. At that time Lieutenant Erp served as a field artillery forward observer in support of an infantry company with the mission of assaulting and taking a hill approximately 2000 yards north of Davao. In moving to the objective it was necessary to cross 400 yards of open terrain clearly in view of the enemy. On reaching the open area the infantry company immediately came under heavy enemy mortar and machine gun fire. Lieutenant Erp immediately moved up to a forward position to observe the area from which the fire was coming. In doing this, it was necessary for him to move into an exposed area which had received several rounds of mortar fire and where the company had already suffered several casualties. Despite this, Lieutenant Erp set up his observation post and in a short time had placed effective artillery fire on the enemy. Lieutenant Erp maintained his position despite heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire covering our entire front. In addition to silencing the enemy guns to the front, Lieutenant Erp spotted large artillery pieces firing from across the Davao River approximately 3000 yards away. Switching his fire he immediately placed it upon the enemy guns and silenced them. Accomplishing his last mission, he again directed fire on the first objective placing a preparation that enabled the infantry to advance and take the position. By his quick thinking, aggressiveness and fearless action in the face of heavy enemy fire, he saved many lives and enabled the infantrymen to accomplish their mission. On 24 July 1945, near Baguio, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, Lieutenant Erp was killed by a mine while leading a battery security patrol. Lieutenant Erp's outstanding courage and devotion to duty beyond the call of his normal duties for which he so gallantly gave his life will always serve as an inspiration to all who served with him. Next of kin: Mr. Herbert D. Erp, Sr. (father), Box 44, Overton, Texas.

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Technician Fifth Grade KENNETH S. SEITNER, 35224272, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Zig-Zag Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. Two infantry companies, after heavy fighting, drove the enemy from a well-defended ridge. As they started to dig in for the night they came under intense, directly observed, enemy artillery fire. The medical section, of which Corporal Seitner was a member, went forward into the shelled area to administer aid to the wounded. The Jap fire was accurate and the casualty density was very heavy. With utter disregard for the enemy fire, Corporal Seitner gave first aid treatment and evacuated wounded, continuing his heroic efforts in face of imminent death, knowingly and with utter disregard for his own personal safety, until he was struck by an artillery shell and killed instantly. Corporal Seitner's gallant and self-sacrificing conduct was worthy of the highest tradition of the medical service. Next of kin: Mrs. Lillian L. Seitner (wife), 36 South Findlay Street, Dayton, Ohio.

II. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade J. W. PALMER, 38099169, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tamogan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945. Corporal Palmer volunteered to go forward with an artillery forward observer's party. During an arduous cross country march, the infantry column which Corporal Palmer was accompanying, was suddenly bombed and strafed. One five-hundred pound bomb burst ten feet from Corporal Palmer, the terrific blast temporarily stunning him and severely rupturing both ear drums. Upon recovering his senses, Corporal Palmer, in spite of the fact the planes might return, set out to obtain medical aid for his two wounded comrades, and by his initiative and forethought, contributed materially to the fact that both men lived. Later that day, Corporal Palmer was told he need not remain in his position by the artillery radio to relay fire commands; yet so great was his desire to assist his comrades in any possible manner that he remained directly exposed to enemy fire at his position during two heavy Jap mortar barrages and one strong counter-attack, all of which caused heavy casualties in his immediate vicinity. Such courage and devotion above and beyond the call of duty reflect great credit upon himself and are a gallant addition to the annals of the armed forces. Home address: Mr. Frank N. Palmer (brother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, One City, Texas.

Second Lieutenant LAWRENCE C. TAYLOR, 0788649, Air Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action while participating in an aerial flight near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 25 June 1945. Lieutenant Taylor, transport pilot flying a C-47 courier plane, landed on Libby Airfield near Davao. Learning that another plane scheduled to make a ration drop to an isolated infantry battalion was hopelessly overdue, he volunteered to make the flight fully aware of the fact that he would be flying over hostile territory through a heavy overcast and that the time required would necessitate his returning to his Leyte

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base at night. After a prolonged search, Lieutenant Taylor located the battalion's position. To make a successful drop he was forced to fly through a narrow pass flanked by enemy-held hills on each side. Because of the narrow, razorback ridge occupied by the ground troops, an accurate drop required dangerously low flying. Lieutenant Taylor swept over the area, making six successful drops. As he approached the area for his seventh and final drop, enemy .50 calibre machine guns opened fire from both sides of the narrow corridor. The wings, fuselage, and tail of the ship were riddled with bullets and the plane's radio and radar were destroyed. In spite of this fire, Lieutenant Taylor continued on his course and successfully dropped the last of the rations. It was later learned that 81% of all rations dropped were recovered. Lieutenant Taylor's gallant conduct in volunteering for and accomplishing a hazardous mission reflected great credit to himself and was in keeping with the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Harry Taylor (father), Winner, South Dakota.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major WALTER L. ANDERSON, 01687183, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lenora A. Anderson (wife), 4411 Kensington, Detroit, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade EARL E. ANTISS, 37374545, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Clell D. Antiss (father), 321 North Denver, Kansas City, Missouri.

Sergeant LOUIS E. BERKS, 37322124, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Louis Berks (mother), 808 Essex Avenue, Southeast, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Second Lieutenant LAIRD S. CLARK, 01058948, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mandog Hill, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 10 June 1945. On this day, Lieutenant Clark, leading an infantry platoon, was advancing along a ridge approximately 1200 yards northeast of Mandog Hill. At 0630 the platoon was suddenly pinned down by intensive enemy machine gun fire. In the fire fight that followed, one man at the head of the column was wounded and cut off from the remainder of the platoon. Lieutenant Clark immediately ordered his men to return the enemy fire. Disregarding his personal safety, he crawled forward under the enemy fire and pulled the wounded man to safety. By his outstanding leadership and cool deliberate command, the platoon was able to withdraw with no further casualties. Home address: Mrs. Max B Clark (mother), 5 Ridgley Terrace, Jamestown, New York.

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Technician Fourth Grade MILTON J. DONAHUE, 32283999, Medical Department, United States Army, For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Florence Donahue (mother), Cooner Road, Newfane, New York.

Captain MILTON S. GOLDMAN, O437817, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena S. Goldman (mother), 2015 Wightman Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WILLIAM C. HOWARD, 35815163, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Bancal, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 5 May 1945. An infantry company attacked enemy held positions 600 yards north of Bancal. Upon reaching a point 25 yards from its objective, the leading squad was stopped by intense fire from enemy anti-aircraft guns, machine guns and heavy mortars. Under cover of this barrage, the Japs began a determined counter-attack. Discovering the enemy's move, Private Howard, the squad's first scout, took immediate action. Rising from his covered position, he shot and killed two Japs and continued to fire until he had dispersed the remainder. Private Howard's alert and aggressive action not only stopped the Japanese counter-attack, but relieved the enemy pressure from his squad enabling it to maneuver into position to join the rest of the company in a successful assault against the enemy strong point. Home address: Mrs. Nancy F. Howard (wife), Bardstown, Kentucky.

Private First Class ARLO M. JACOBSON, 37598901, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 8 June 1945. At 1030 hours, an infantry unit was advancing upon strong enemy positions along a trail 1000 yards east of Mandog Hill. The platoon of which Private Jacobson was a member was pinned down by cross fire from enemy pillboxes, and three men were wounded. Private Jacobson crawled forward to the front of the platoon and administered aid to the three wounded men under enemy fire so intense that he was forced to work from a prone position. After all three had received aid, he crawled back to his own lines dragging one of the wounded to safety. Private Jacobson's voluntary action under heavy enemy fire was an inspiration to the men of his organization, and instilled confidence in them that they would be treated wherever they fell wounded. Home address: Mrs. Marion L. Jacobson (wife), 214 College Street, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

Sergeant HUBERT B. KING, 34348494, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nancy B. King (mother), 110 First East Street, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

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Warrant Officer (junior grade) **RAYMOND A. MARS**, 72134984, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 15 September 1944 to 26 December 1944. Home address: Miss Frances Mars (sister), 2459 Devco Terrace, Bronx, New York.

Captain **CHARLES D. McGUIRE**, 01313534, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 January to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. M. McGuire (mother), 1220 South Court Street, Iowa City, Iowa.

Captain **JOSIAH C. McCracken, JR.**, 01688144, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Barbara L. McCracken (wife), 16 South Suffolk, Ventnor, New Jersey.

Private First Class **EUGENE MONROE**, 39345325, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. On this day, an infantry company was engaged in attacking strong enemy defenses at a strategic crossroad. During the course of the assault, the company was subjected to an enemy barrage of 90mm mortar and 40mm anti-aircraft fire, interspersed with heavy machine gun fire at close range. Fifteen men sustained wounds by this action and prompt medical attention was necessary. Private Monroe volunteered to return to the aid station and guide litter squads to the scene of action. Through dense underbrush, where visibility was limited and progress was slow, Private Monroe crawled and ran 600 yards to his destination. Though continually harassed by enemy snipers, he hacked a trail with his machete to facilitate the rapid movement of the litter team. Through Private Monroe's swift and determined action the casualties were safely and promptly evacuated. Private Monroe's willingness to undertake this hazardous mission of mercy is a credit to himself and the service. Home address: Mrs. Florence Monroe (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #3, Box 578, Eugene, Oregon.

Technician Fifth Grade **NEAL PRENTICE**, 39020019, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 10 June 1945. During operations in the Mandog area, Corporal Prentice with three other men from his company volunteered to cross the Davao River in an engineer half boat to attach a cable to the far shore to facilitate the crossing of an infantry platoon. When the men reached the middle of the stream they came under intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire which riddled the boat and wounded Corporal Prentice in the head, back and leg. His outstanding performance of duty in this instance was an inspiration to the men of his organization and was in the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Emma M. Prentice (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #4, Stigler, Oklahoma.

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Corporal WILLIAM I. SHEAHAN, 37637682, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 29 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Vera Sheahan (mother), 5434 North Kingshighway, St. Louis, Missouri.

Master Sergeant ROY D. STILLWELL, 6839828, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Madeline Stillwell (wife), Box 194, Waialua, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES C. SUTTON, 33255753, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Herbert Sutton (father), 304 Tenth Street, Philipsburg, Pennsylvania.

Corporal ORVILLE E. SWAIN, 37257595, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 May to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara M. Swain (wife), 812 South 9th Street, Laramie, Wyoming.

First Lieutenant EDWARD S. SYMANSKI, 01298458, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Zig-Zag Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. On this day, the positions of an infantry company were being subjected to a devastating artillery barrage when orders were received to move to more favorable ground. Realizing the need for security to protect an orderly move, Lieutenant Symanski, company commander, voluntarily remained behind to organize a rear guard. After successfully accomplishing this, he proceeded to supervise the treatment and evacuation of the wounded from the still untenable area. Lieutenant Symanski was one of the last to leave the area. When he did leave, he carried with him, in addition to his own equipment, two Thompson sub-machine guns that had been left behind. Lieutenant Symanski's actions served as an outstanding example of courage and leadership to all members of his command and were in keeping with the best traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Peter Symanski (mother), 522 Waconah Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

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* First Lieutenant JAMES D. WILLIAMS, 01324218, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Mandog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. On this day, Lieutenant Williams was acting in the capacity of platoon leader of an infantry company. The company was given a mission to take a hill in the vicinity of Mandog. During the advance towards the objective, the company was in the act of crossing a deep ravine when the leading elements, reaching the opposite side, were pinned down by enemy machine gun and mortar fire.

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Lieutenant Williams, realizing the gravity of the situation, immediately deployed the platoon to meet the threat from the rear. With disregard for his personal safety and exposing himself to enemy machine gun fire, he maneuvered his men in such a way as to destroy the enemy. Being without an aid man, Lieutenant Williams administered first aid to the wounded and directed their evacuation. Lieutenant Williams led his platoon across the ravine and was given the mission to flank the enemy. Once again he demonstrated excellent leadership and courage under fire. He flanked and destroyed the enemy enabling the company to continue and accomplish its mission. Lieutenant Williams' quick thinking, fine leadership and coolness under fire won the respect and admiration of the entire company. Home address: Mrs. Frances M. Williams (wife), 314 Harris Street, Burlington, North Carolina.

IV. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Shelton P. Allen, 0426028, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 66, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 9 July 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major (then Captain) SHELTON P. ALLEN, 0426028, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Shelton P. Allen (wife), 162 Longine Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Leon E. Howard, Jr., 0904308, by the Commanding General, Sixth Army, as published in General Orders No. 4, Headquarters Sixth Army, 9 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel LEON E. HOWARD, JR., 0904308, Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Philippine Islands from 15 December 1944 to 10 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helan G. Howard (wife), c/o F. L. Howard, 7545 North East Glisan Street, Portland, Oregon.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade Everett G. Laehr, 3627701, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 49, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 16 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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Technician Fourth Grade EVERETT G LAHR, 36279701. Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 8 May 1945. On this day, Sergeant Laehr was on duty at the Regimental Aid Station. At approximately 2030 the Japanese shelled the area with a heavy artillery barrage. Word came to the aid station that a Filipino civilian had been seriously wounded. Sergeant Laehr immediately volunteered to go to the aid of the wounded man. He organized a litter squad and proceeded down the dark street through continuous shell fire and facing an additional danger of his own men mistaking the party for enemy as they had to move about three hundred yards outside of the perimeter. When Sergeant Laehr reached the Filipino he found that the man was dead. Sergeant Laehr's initiative and courage in the face of such great hazards reflect much credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ellis Laehr (mother), 1573 Quincy Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

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I. SILVER STAR--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1913 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain RICHARD J. COLLOPY, 01292306, Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Libby Drome, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Captain Collopy was leading two platoons through flat terrain on a dismounted reconnaissance patrol in the Libby Drome Area, when the patrol was ambushed. After advancing well into the trap, the men came under heavy mortar, automatic weapon, and rifle fire from dug-in positions and well concealed pillboxes. Captain Collopy immediately exposed himself to the enemy fire as he went forward on foot to the leading vehicle to calm his men and direct their return fire. As the heavy enemy fire continued, he coolly gave orders to each vehicle and did not leave the exposed area until the last had fought its way to safety. Captain Collopy's courage under fire and his devotion to his men were an inspiration to all, and reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Patrick Collopy (father), 616 Prytania Avenue, Hamilton, Ohio.

Captain ARTHUR J. RICHARDSON, JR., 0417865, Medical Corps, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Olongapo, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945. During the late afternoon, the enemy directed sporadic, but extremely accurate mortar and artillery fire upon the positions of the leading elements of an infantry battalion at Zig Zag Pass. Beginning at approximately 1645 and lasting one half hour, this fire increased in intensity as the men were digging in. Sixty to seventy casualties occurred and these could not be taken care of by the battalion medical section. When news reached him of the heavy casualty rate, Captain Richardson immediately left the safety of the collecting station, and set forward with all available ambulances and medical supplies. As he reached the battalion aid station, the barrage intensified, killing and wounding still more men. Captain Richardson calmly directed the emergency medical treatment to the wounded, giving his personal attention to the more seriously wounded. When he saw that there were not enough medical soldiers he pressed other men into immediate service as litter bearers. Several times he helped to place wounded men on litters and carry them to the waiting ambulances, where he instructed the drivers to which hospitals they were to be

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taken. During all this activity, enemy mortar and artillery shells continued to fall in the area, and there was also a sharp skirmish taking place at the right flank. Only at dark, when he was satisfied that all casualties had been removed, did Captain Richardson return to his normal post of duty behind the lines. The following morning of 5 February 1944, he assisted the battalion surgeon in the treatment of those men who were emotionally shaken from the day before. Again, his service was entirely voluntary. At approximately 1100, without warning, another intense enemy mortar barrage fell on the area, killing and wounding many. Captain Richardson immediately went to work and rallied his men to render immediate and much needed aid to the wounded. Here again, it was his cool efficiency and heroic leadership which prevented greater suffering and loss of life. Captain Richardson's actions were an inspiration to those around him, and worthy of the highest traditions of the medical service. Home address: Mrs. A. J. Richardson, Jr. (wife), 5122 Baronne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant (then Private First Class) MARVIN BLACKWELL, 34048144, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mandog Hill, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 8 June 1945. Sergeant Blackwell's platoon was given the mission of recovering two bodies which a previous patrol had been unable to accomplish because of enemy action. The platoon set out through open terrain covered by jagged stumps and partially burned logs. When they had almost reached the bodies, several enemy machine guns opened fire from well-concealed positions commanding the area. One man was killed and another fell seriously wounded, and lay exposed to further enemy fire. As the platoon withdrew under the heavy enemy fire, Sergeant Blackwell and one other man remained in the area. Under continuing fire he administered first aid to the wounded man and evacuated him. Sergeant Blackwell's bravery and coolness under enemy fire are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Blackwell (wife), Taylorsville, Mississippi.

Corporal (then Technician Fifth Grade) RAYMOND J. BOULDS, 39604019, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Dutch New Guinea and Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 22 April 1944 to 3 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. V. L. Boulds (mother), Plentywood, Montana.

First Lieutenant SOMERS J. GOSTIN, 0547848, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 12 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Martha S. Gostin (mother), 301 Napier Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

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Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) PHILIP G. JAHN, 32804235, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marceille Jahn (mother), 1140 College Avenue, Bronx, New York.

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* Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD E. KETCHAM, 39024596, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 9 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Ronald V. Ketcham (brother), 2075 Monroe Road, Santa Rosa, California.

Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) MELVIN LARBLE, 37249022, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Magdelina Larble (mother), Long Lake, South Dakota.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL J. O'DONNELL, 11043678, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea and Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 22 April 1944 to 23 June 1945. Home address: Mr. James O'Donnell (father), 146 Palfrey Street, Watertown, Massachusetts.

Sergeant ROBERT L. SOPWITH, 39418454, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jane Sopwith (wife), 293 40th Street, Sacramento, California.

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) WALLACE J. WOLFE, 39296126, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 18 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Padan (mother), 1009 South Columbus Street, Glendale, California.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 29 April to 30 June 1945:

Technician Fourth Grade TORILF A. AALGAARD, 37081261, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mable E. Aalgaard (wife), Abercrombie, North Dakota.

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Technician Third Grade KENNETH A. CARLSON, 39302333, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Algot Carlson (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #3, Box 307, Oregon City, Oregon.

Technician Fourth Grade OLIVER B. HAWKINS, 37150512, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Hawkins (mother), 321 Elm Street, Crawford, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant HARLEY H. JENSEN, 37018860, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Martin C. Jensen (father), Highland Station, Rural Free Delivery, Route #7, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Captain JOHN L. McFEE, 0419465, Medical Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruby P. McFee (wife), Ansley, Nebraska.

Captain THOMAS J. LUELLEN, 0464989, Medical Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth E. Luellen (wife), 1109 Grant Avenue, York, Nebraska.

Captain DAVID C. PLATT, 0290453, Dental Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ruth V. Platt (wife), 826 Second Avenue, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES H. SPOONER, 37031207, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Arthur N. Spooner (father), Havana, North Dakota.

III. MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE.—Pursuant to authority contained in Circular No. 545, War Department, 23 August 1944, as amended by Circular No. 421, War Department, 26 October 1944, a meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named unit:

SERVICE BATTERY, 10TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION. For superior performance and outstanding devotion to duty from 1 July 1944 to 30 June 1945. The Battery was engaged in combat at Leyte, Luzon, and Mindanao, Philippine Islands for almost five months. It performed its duty in a superior manner, carrying out exceptionally difficult tasks over long and supply lines sometimes reaching a distance of 94 miles. The Battery kept the Battalion supplied during displacements approximately 50 miles over difficult terrain and maintained equipment in excellent operation condition. Throughout the period, the battery maintained the high standards of health and discipline.

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I. SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bill. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant JOHN A. SCHWENGELS, 01031443, Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Digos, Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 26 April to 12 June 1945. On 26 April 1945, Lieutenant Schwengels was leading a convoy along a mined road through rugged terrain near Digos when his vehicle struck an enemy mine. Five men were wounded, including Lieutenant Schwengels. Despite face wounds and shock, he continued to lead the convoy and successfully completed his mission. On 17 May 1945, he led a twenty-five man patrol through Bayabas and Eden. His patrol encountered numerous snipers concealed in the undergrowth and was once pinned down by enemy machine gun fire. After withdrawing his men and reorganizing, Lieutenant Schwengels led an attack which knocked out the enemy guns. He then led his patrol deeper into enemy territory, by-passing numerous patrols. The men had to cut their way through thick undergrowth, which limited visibility to a few yards, ford swift mountain streams and climb tortuous ravines. Despite these difficulties, the men completed their mission. Near Sasa Air-Drome on 22 May 1945, Lieutenant Schwengels' platoon was ambushed by an undetermined number of the enemy hidden in abaca thickets, and the lead half-track was disabled by enemy rocket fire. He skillfully withdrew his platoon and fought off the attack until artillery shells could be placed on the area. After the barrage, he led his men forward to recover the vehicle. Heavy fire from enemy snipers and pillboxes wounded one man. Despite the enemy fire, Lieutenant Schwengels directed his men in evacuating the wounded man and towing the vehicle to safety. On 12 June 1945, he led a dismounted patrol from Wangan to the Palomo River to look for a crossing. Although good visibility favored the enemy, he reached the river unobserved and found the crossing. The patrol remained on the river bank overnight within earshot of the enemy.

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Returning to Wangan, his patrol was caught in a skirmish between our infantry and the Japs. He took advantage of cover and concealment and led his men through and around to safety. Lieutenant Schwengels' outstanding leadership and personal bravery reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. John Schwengels (father), Clinton, Wisconsin.

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Captain GEORGE B. SHUTT, 01010066, Cavalry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talomo, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 14 May 1945. Captain Shutt, riding a one-quarter ton truck, led three tanks toward a battalion command post prior to attacking a strong enemy position defended by an undetermined number of Japs. As the tanks approached the command post along a steep trail lined on both sides with heavy abaca, they drew mortar, machine gun, and sniper fire from a ravine to the left of the trail, which also endangered the lives of infantrymen assembled nearby. Captain Shutt immediately dismounted, halted the tanks, and while fully exposed to the heavy enemy fire directed them by hand signals as they backed down a narrow trail to a covered position. He then crawled back to the command post. After obtaining necessary information, he scanned the area for the best possible tank approaches and firing positions. Returning through heavy enemy mortar, machine gun, and sniper fire, he directed his tanks forward to blast four enemy pillboxes and several communication trenches. These were situated on high ground, were well camouflaged, and controlled the surrounding area. The infantry then drove forward through the silenced positions and reestablished contact with a company which had been isolated for thirty hours. Captain Shutt's outstanding leadership and gallant action in the face of intense enemy fire greatly inspired the men around him. Home address: Mrs. Frances S. Shutt (wife), 155 Kentucky Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky.

II. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).—By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Staff Sergeant Joseph P. Baron, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 27, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 20 May 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is posthumously awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH P. BARON, 36329316, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Talomo, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 22 May 1945. While attached to a battalion aid station of an infantry regiment, Sergeant Baron led a squad of litter bearers forward up a small knoll to evacuate a seriously wounded infantryman lying near an enemy occupied pillbox. Since the area was open to enemy view, two medium tanks were ordered forward to give covering fire while Sergeant Baron and his litter squad crossed the open stretch of ground. As the tanks moved forward, another soldier was seriously wounded in the abdomen.

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One litter bearer quickly reached the man and administered first aid under enemy fire so intense that bullets ripped through his pack as he worked. Sergeant Baron exposed himself to the direct enemy machine gun fire as he moved forward with a litter in a gallant attempt to reach the wounded man by the pillbox. His errand of mercy was cut short when he was only a few yards from the wounded man. He was struck in the chest by several enemy machine gun bullets and killed instantly. Sergeant Baron's heroic devotion to duty and supreme sacrifice will continue to inspire the men who witnessed his action. Next of kin: Miss Mary Baron (sister), 2718 West 24th Place, Chicago, Illinois.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade LYLE R. ALLEE, 37701999, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 14 May to 19 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Edith S. Allison (mother), Box 72, Grand Junction, Colorado.

Staff Sergeant HOLLISTER C. CHACE, 11062410, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 24 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Harriet Chace (mother), 279 Locust Street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade DELMO COOPER, 35896574, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 10 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Marl B. Cooper (wife), 2613 South Madison Street, Muncie, Indiana.

Corporal BENJAMIN E. JOHNSON, JR., 33132432, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 5 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Minnie Johnson (mother), 2811 Arbonne Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia.

Private CARL R. LAWRENCE, 39477684, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Punacan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 28 May 1945. Private Lawrence's squad was given the mission of determining the strength and location of the enemy's left flank, and obtaining all pertinent information concerning enemy positions. The squad was stopped by extremely heavy fire from two enemy machine guns concealed in pillboxes, and an unknown number of enemy riflemen. Private Lawrence voluntarily crawled to within approximately fifteen yards of the enemy pillboxes to determine how they could be destroyed.

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Enemy fire then became so intense that the squad had to withdraw. Private Lawrence remained behind to cover the withdrawal with fire from his sub-machine gun, and did not leave until all members of his squad had reached safety. Private Lawrence's heroic actions under enemy fire were an inspiration to all the members of his platoon, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ruth F. Lawrence (wife), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Sequim, Washington.

Staff Sergeant JOHN MUSOLIN, 33281040, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 10 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Musolin (mother), 2108 McLean Street, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant ROBERT M. PATTERSON, 01175825, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 21 July 1945. Home address: Mr. J. R. Patterson (father), 1902 13th Avenue, Greeley, Colorado.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT E. MALIN, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 15 June 1945. During the determined advance of an infantry company through rough, mountainous terrain near Mandog Hill, Mindanao, Corporal Malin was treating a man who had been wounded. As he worked in his exposed position under the burning sun, a sudden burst of enemy machine gun fire wounded his patient a second time and tore holes through Corporal Malin's jacket. With utter disregard for his own safety, he dragged the wounded man through the heavy enemy fire to safety. From this covered position he continued to administer first aid to the suffering man. This completed, he crawled under fire through an exposed area and gave aid to a second wounded man. Corporal Malin's heroic devotion to duty reflects worthy credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Malin (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Box 194-B, Visalia, California.

Sergeant EARNEST H. TAYLOR, 34426530, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mandog Hill, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 10 June 1945. While advancing on heavily fortified enemy positions northeast of Mandog Hill, the platoon of which Sergeant Taylor was a member was caught in a cross fire of enemy machine guns. During this action one man was killed and two others were wounded. In the course of an ordered withdrawal, Sergeant Taylor saw that another soldier had been wounded and lay exposed to enemy fire. Sergeant Taylor unhesitatingly exposed himself to enemy fire and crawled back and pulled the wounded man to safety. Sergeant Taylor's devotion to duty and eagerness to save the life of his comrade at the sacrifice of his own safety, are worthy of the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Nona M. Taylor (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Denmark, Mississippi.

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Technical Sergeant (then Corporal) JOSEPH E. R. TOMASELLO, 39109571, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 October 1944 to 10 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Tomasello (mother), 27 Floyd Street, San Jose, California.

IV. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Jack B. Matthews, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 35, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 31 May 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major JACK B. MATTHEWS, 0415867, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 6 June to 6 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna R. Matthews (mother), 108 Corbin Avenue, Macon, Georgia.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Elmo R. Parish, by the Commanding General, 41st Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 43, Headquarters 41st Infantry Division, 7 May 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Major ELMO R. PARISH, 0397770, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Central Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 4 May to 23 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Truth Parish (wife), Burley, Idaho.

V. AIR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Second Lieutenant MELVIN H. KING, 0683552, Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 25 June 1945. Lieutenant King, co-pilot of a C-47 courier plane, landed on Libby Airfield near Davao. Learning that another plane scheduled to make a ration drop to an isolated infantry battalion was hopelessly overdue, and that because of this the battalion faced the prospect of going without food for more than twenty-four hours, Lieutenant King, and the plane's pilot volunteered to fly the mission.

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They offered to do this, fully realizing that they would be flying over hostile territory through a heavy overcast and that the time required would necessitate their returning to their Leyte base at night. After a prolonged search the battalion's position was found. To make a successful drop the plane was forced to fly through a narrow pass flanked by enemy held hills on each side. Because of the narrow, razorback ridge occupied by the ground troops, an accurate drop required dangerously low flying. The plane swept over the area making six successful drops. As the big transport approached the area for the seventh and final drop, enemy .50 calibre machine guns opened fire from both sides of the narrow corridor. The wings, fuselage, and tail of the ship were riddled with bullets and the plane's radio and motor were destroyed. In spite of this fire the final drop was successfully made. It was later learned that 81% of all rations dropped were recovered. Lieutenant King's voluntary undertaking and accomplishment of a hazardous mission was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Harry P. King (father), 3125 Riverside Avenue, Somersett, Massachusetts.

Major (then Captain) LEAD F. VAN DUSEN, 0375040, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 25 June 1945. Captain Van Dusen volunteered to accompany a C-47 cargo plane scheduled to make an air drop of food and ammunition to isolated battalion engaged with the enemy. Realizing that the enemy held the hills to either side of the dropping area and that the slow, low-flying C-47 would make a target that would be difficult to miss, he boldly directed the plane on its mission. The scheduled drop was successfully accomplished, although the plane was hit by enemy .50 calibre fire many times. Captain Van Dusen's meritorious determination to accomplish his mission of dropping vital supplies in spite of hazards which would ordinarily justify abandonment of the mission is a credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary J. Van Dusen (wife), 101 16th Street, Astoria, Oregon.

OK ✓ VI. AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL ORDERS.—1. Section I, General Orders No. 95, this headquarters, dated 3 August 1945, pertaining to Staff Sergeant Joseph P. BROWN, 36329316, is rescinded.

OK 2. So much of paragraph 2, Section III, General Orders No. 89, this headquarters, dated 14 July 1945, as pertains to Major LEAD A. P. RISH, 0397170, is rescinded.

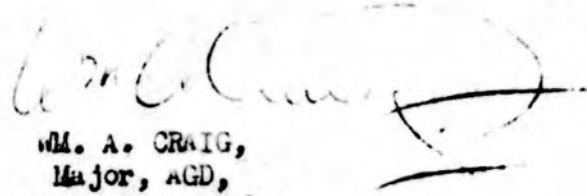
OK 3. So much of Section III, General Orders No. 32, this headquarters, dated 24 July 1945, as pertains to Captain LEAD F. VAN DUSEN, 0375040, is rescinded.

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

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HEADQUARTERS 24TH INFANTRY DIVISION

A. P. O. #24,
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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Third Grade KEITH A. FALCON, 18150198, Medical Department, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Tagapan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. At approximately 1630 hours, an enemy attack was made on one of the outposts of an infantry battalion which had set up a perimeter defense two miles north of Tagapan, Mindanao. During the attack, five men were seriously wounded. Sergeant Falcon, accompanied by one other man, immediately ran from the aid station in the perimeter to the open area where the wounded lay. Disregarding the heavy enemy rifle fire, he administered first aid to one wounded soldier and carried him to safety. Returning, Sergeant Falcon's comrade was seriously wounded in the arm. After administering first aid, Sergeant Falcon directed the man on his way back to the aid station. He then proceeded alone to the other wounded man, who was lying beside the road in direct line of enemy fire, and administered aid. He remained in his exposed position with the wounded man until all five casualties had been removed to safety. Only then did he return to the safety of the perimeter. Sergeant Falcon's selfless devotion to duty and great personal courage reflect the highest degree of credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. T. H. Falcon (mother), Zachary, Louisiana.

II. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Staff Sergeant Andrew Koassechony, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 1, Headquarters, 24th Infantry Division, 3 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

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Staff Sergeant ANDREW KOASSECHONY, 38270984, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Tamogan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 24 June 1945. Sergeant Koassechony was leading a squad in the first platoon of an infantry company advancing toward what was believed to be a strong enemy position. As the company moved forward, with one platoon on each side of the road and the main body approximately fifty yards to the rear, heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire burst from the right of the road from a dense abaca thicket approximately fifty yards distant. Before the men could take cover, one man fell wounded. Sergeant Koassechony located the source of fire, and began crawling up the ditch alongside the road, in an attempt to reach a position opposite the enemy machine gun. As he crawled, the Japanese defenders threw several hand grenades which burst nearby. Despite the danger, he continued to work himself forward until he reached a point approximately twenty yards from the gun position. Sergeant Koassechony spotted the Jap gunner and killed him with three rounds from his M-1 rifle. Using the same tactics, he neutralized the enemy positions one by one and enabled the remainder of the platoon to push forward and overrun the position. Sergeant Koassechony was credited with killing six of the eight Japanese who were found dead. The platoon also captured one enemy machine gun, one knee mortar and six rifles. Sergeant Koassechony's voluntary and gallant actions undoubtedly saved the lives of others, and enabled the company to move forward and accomplish its mission with a minimum of delay. Sergeant Koassechony's gallantry and unselfish devotion to duty reflect the highest credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Mary Koassechony (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #3, Apache, Oklahoma.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Third Grade KEITH A. FALCON, 18150198, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Mintal, Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 6 May to 26 May 1945. During the continued attacks of an infantry battalion in the Mintal Sector, Mindanao, Sergeant Falcon, attached to the regimental aid station, repeatedly volunteered his services with complete disregard for his personal safety. On the afternoon of 9 May 1945, Sergeant Falcon unhesitatingly went to the aid of wounded men, and administered first aid under extremely heavy enemy mortar fire. His heroic actions undoubtedly saved the lives of several men, who otherwise might not have received prompt medical treatment. Sergeant Falcon's outstanding courage and selfless devotion to duty served as an inspiration to the members of his detachment, and reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. T. H. Falcon (mother), Zachary, Louisiana.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918 (Bull. 43, ED, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade LOUIS S. CHAMBERS, 32250218, Field Artillery, United States Army. For gallantry in action on Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 18 May 1945. Corporal Chambers was the non-commissioned officer in charge of a truck carrying three men who were to man an artillery observation post for the night. At approximately 1730 hours on the little-traveled road, the truck rounded a turn and encountered an enemy road block. In the uncertain light of dusk, Corporal Chambers saw that fire from several automatic weapons had forced a jeep off the road. Its occupants had taken cover in the ditch alongside and had returned fire against the concealed positions of the enemy until they had exhausted their ammunition. After skillfully deploying his men, Corporal Chambers leaped to the 50-caliber machine gun mounted on the truck and opened fire. Despite his exposed position, and the fact that he was unable to see an enemy who might have been concealed in the jungle growth bordering the road, he remained at his gun until he had silenced the enemy weapons with his fire. The stranded vehicle and its occupants were then withdrawn to safety. Corporal Chambers' utter disregard for his personal safety under enemy fire was an inspiration to the men of his unit, and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. George E. Chambers (father), 210 Washington Avenue, Oneida, New York.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, ED, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant HAROLD B. BARG, 16062453, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Tanahmerah Bay, Dutch New Guinea, and Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands from 22 April 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mr. Mels Barg (father), 106 Elm Street, River Falls, Wisconsin.

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Private First Class CALVIN W. HOEPFER, 20947652, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 18 April to 30 June 1945. From his arrival, throughout the operation, his heroism and ability were a source of inspiration to the members of his organization. On the morning of 19 May 1945, Private Hoepfer, a wireman, went out to lay a forward line to a field artillery battalion in position at the north end of an airdrome. The shortest route lay along a narrow, jungle-bordered road which had not been cleared of the enemy. While Private Hoepfer was making an overhead tie, an enemy machine gun opened fire on him. Disregarding the bullets that whistled around him, he continued with his work until the line was in operation. On 21 May 1945, Private Hoepfer was a member of a wire crew sent out to lay a wire line along the Davao-Panacan road, where almost all traffic was by convoy due to the constant danger of ambush and attack by Bangalore torpedoes. As the men worked in the hot sun, Private Hoepfer saw Japs in the brush near the edge of the road. While the wire corporal manned the 30 caliber machine gun, Private Hoepfer opened fire with his sub-machine gun and killed three of the enemy. Private Hoepfer's alertness and devotion to duty were outstanding, and reflect worthy credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Jake Hoepfer (father), Box 317, Priest River, Idaho.

Technical Sergeant LEWIS A. HUNT, 37222102, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mandog Hill, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Sergeant Hunt's company was leading an attack up a ravine toward a hill some 200 yards from a point where a terrific explosion had disorganized another company and caused several casualties. Despite the limited visibility caused by an overcast sky, Sergeant Hunt moved his platoon forward with the immediate objective of attacking the right flank of the hill and securing the area to permit the evacuation of the casualties. After moving approximately 50 yards, intense enemy machine gun and 25mm fire stopped the platoon. Sergeant Hunt, realizing that he must hold the ground, skillfully directed the return fire of his three squads and silenced the Jap 25mm gun and its two flanking machine guns. Two men were wounded in this action but were removed to safety under Sergeant Hunt's personal direction. The platoon fought on to cover the evacuation of the remainder of the casualties. Then, with ammunition running low, Sergeant Hunt organized the orderly withdrawal of his platoon after the last wounded man had been removed from danger. Sergeant Hunt's courage and skillful leadership were an inspiration to the men of his organization and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Alice Gregg (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Kincaid, Kansas.

Technical Sergeant GEORGE R. JENKINS, 6957099, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 22 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Ervin L. Jenkins (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Broken Bow, Oklahoma.

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Master Sergeant GEORGE MILLER, 6538901, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 April 1945 to 31 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charlotte Miller (wife), General Delivery, 42 Cane Street, Mahiawa, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

Technician Fifth Grade EUGENE K. PAPE, 39196674, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 14 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Clyde N. Pape (father), 832 South Streale, Tacoma, Washington.

Private First Class CLARENCE E. PARKINSON, 20511536, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. Private Parkinson was in charge of the rear guard of an infantry company in its advance along the crest of a ridge north of Davao City against enemy positions which were well camouflaged despite the scattered vegetation surrounding them. During a lull in the attack, nine Japanese soldiers opened fire on the rear guard with rifles and one machine gun. Private Parkinson quickly deployed his squad, and despite the fact that an overcast sky limited visibility, advanced toward the Japs, knocked the machine gun out of action and personally accounted for three of the enemy. Private Parkinson's quick thinking and courageous action undoubtedly prevented casualties. His devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Ben Parkinson (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Millersport, Ohio.

Captain GEORGE W. POLHEMUS, JR., 01045891, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 30 April to 27 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Helen Polhemus (wife), 164-86th Road, Jamaica, New York.

Private First Class ADRIAN A. PRICE, 37162024, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 4 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Walter Price (brother), Cross Landing, California.

Master Sergeant KENNETH L. ROGERS, 20931226, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Sabron, Dutch New Guinea, and Leyte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands from 6 August 1944 to 15 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wilcox M. Rogers (wife), 6836 North Greenwich, Portland, Oregon.

Major GEORGE CLIFFORD SMITH, 0462234, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 30 April to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Burdette S. Smith (wife), 1526 South Madison Street, Spokane 9, Washington.

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2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1945 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 23 July 1945:

Technician Fourth Grade DESIDERIO L. ARPIANI, 37180564, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Anna Gambaro (aunt), 5320 Wilson Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fifth Grade SAMUEL O. CHAPMAN, 34120196, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Nova Chapman (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route 1, Wasley, South Carolina.

Sergeant JOHN DEMBJSKI, 33103519, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Dembiski (wife), 834 Hinerman Street, Duquesne, Pennsylvania.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1945 (Sec. II, Bull 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945:

Technician Third Grade FRANK L. BRAUERS, 33396706, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Frank Brauers (father), Senect Building, 4th Avenue, Ford City, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade FREDERICK C. SIMONINI, 31133070, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Thelma Simonini (wife), 12 Brighton Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Sergeant ANTHONY ZARRELLI, 31331914, Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Joseph Zarrelli (father), 315 State Street, Westport, Connecticut.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL OODRUFF:

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I. SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bull 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant DORSEY T. SWANSON, 36301869, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 19 June 1945. Sergeant Swanson's company was advancing up a narrow road under full observation of the enemy, to capture and secure a vital road junction near Calinan. As the lead elements reached the objective, the main body was stopped temporarily by intense enemy mortar and machine gun fire, coming from concealed enemy positions in the dense undergrowth. Sergeant Swanson repeatedly exposed himself to the heavy enemy fire in order to locate the positions. He found one and immediately moved forward to within twenty feet of it, opened fire with his sub-machine gun and threw several grenades. One machine gun was silenced and part of its crew were killed and the others were wounded. Sergeant Swanson continued to seek out enemy positions, fully exposed to the continuous enemy fire. Approximately fifteen minutes later, a tank moved up and drew heavy enemy fire. Again Sergeant Swanson exposed himself to establish wire communications with the tank commander. This enabled him to direct effectively its fire and movement. He then pointed out the remaining enemy positions, rallied his element and personally led a renewed attack against the enemy positions, enabling the infantry company to reorganize. Sergeant Swanson's heroic actions were largely responsible for the success of the company's mission. His courage and leadership under enemy fire were an inspiration to his men, and a credit to himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Ruth Swanson (mother), 4893 North Hermitage, Chicago, Illinois.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

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Technical Sergeant STEPHEN W. CARPANETTO, 32507487, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Tanahmerah Bay, Dutch New Guinea, and Leyte, Mindoro, and Romblon, Philippine Islands from 22 April 1944 to 13 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Aurelia Carpanetto (mother), 1851 63rd Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class HARRY A. CHAPLIN, 39335267, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 22 October 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth M. Chaplin (mother), Box 61 Star Route, Eagle Point, Oregon.

Major FRANCIS R. DICE, 0274402, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Southern Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy H. Dice (wife), 208 Oak Avenue, Pikesville, Maryland.

Technician Fourth Grade STANLEY B. JAJO, 36533722, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon, Amabilong, and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 October 1944 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mr. John Jajo (father), 8620 Wackeragon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Captain ERNER JONES, 0419389, Medical Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 18 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary V. Jones (wife), 1505 Hanger Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Technician Fourth Grade PAULGER H. KASTRUP, 6877577, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 26 May to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Olive Haines (step-sister), 340 Saint Ann's Avenue, New York City, New York.

Private First Class MILITON ORTIVEZ, 38104286, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 26 May to 2 July 1945. As a member of a field artillery Liaison Party, Private Ortivez rendered superior service in helping to place artillery fire on the enemy and otherwise aiding the advance of an infantry battalion. On 13 June 1945, a determined infantry advance along Mandog Hill resulted in an exceptionally high number of casualties. To protect these wounded men until they could be evacuated, it was necessary to form a perimeter. Private Ortivez volunteered to help defend the position, although it was then under heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire. When one of the officers guarding the perimeter was wounded, Private Ortivez quickly administered first aid, and then continued to hold his position under intense enemy fire until the last man had been evacuated. Private Ortivez' courage and devotion to duty served as an inspiration to all and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lucey Brizal (aunt), Delcarbon, Colorado.

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Staff Sergeant WENDEL W. SALES, 37152095, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea and Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from April 1944 to June 1945. Home address: Mr. James T. Sales (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Valley Falls, Kansas.

Technical Sergeant GORDON R. SCOTT, 37174194, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 1 April 1945. Home address: Miss Jaunette T. Scott (sister), 758 Dayton Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 2 May 1945. Private Knust and Private Nielson were wiremen with the leading elements that crossed the Davao River. The enemy reacted with a heavy concentration of sniper, 20mm anti-aircraft, and machine gun fire. Both the leading elements that reached the north side of the river, and the remaining forces still on the south side of the river were pinned down by this searching fire. These two men, members of a communication party with the forces still on the south side of the river, realized the necessity of establishing communication with the Regimental Commander who was on the north bank with the leading company, and that the situation required contact with rear supporting elements. The task of bringing 110-B wire across the stream presented great hazards since a third of the 300 foot bridge was shattered and only a series of narrow planks afforded passage across the gap. With full realization of the situation, the two men volunteered to carry the line across knowing that they would present excellent targets for enemy fire. They carried the reel over the shattered bridge under enemy fire and established the vital communication line. The heroic devotion to duty of Private Knust and Private Nielson reflects distinct credit upon themselves and the military service.

Private First Class LESTER C. KNUST, 37112375, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Gustave H. Knust (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Iacena, Iowa.

Private First Class ERWIN NIELSON, 37694354, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ana Nielson (mother), Box 111, Cushing, Iowa.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea and Leyte and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from April 1944 to June 1945:

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Technician Fifth Grade ALBERT L. BRUNO, 31068838, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth Bruno (mother), 17 Prospect Avenue, Claremont, New Hampshire.

Staff Sergeant LEO F. BOYEA, 32251041, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. William Boyea (father), 15 Arlington Street, Johnson City, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade EDWARD W. FIELDS, 38449433, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Ima J. Fields (wife), General Delivery, Lowell, Arkansas.

Staff Sergeant EARL C. GIESSEY, 13022569, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary Giesey (mother), 1328 Green Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant HERSCHTEL W. HAHN, 20713734, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Birdie Hahn (aunt), Pine City, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade CARL W. MARTIN, 14067554, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Connie Starling (aunt), 110 Anthony Street, Columbus, Georgia.

Technician Fifth Grade WARREN L. MUMMERT, 37151890, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. James T. Mummert (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Havensville, Kansas.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 4 July 1945.

Master Sergeant HOMER KING, 36020605, Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mildred King (wife), North Elm Street, Mounds, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant GLENN D. KENT, 33378479, Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Susan T. Kent (mother), 124 Frederick Street, Cumberland, Maryland.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM ROBINSON, 32170767, Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Edna Robinson (mother), 150-08 Beaver Street, Jamaica, Long Island, New York.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE P. ROSS, 33228079, Ordnance Department, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Philip Paige (uncle), Rural Free Delivery, Route #5, Box #194, Richmond, Virginia.

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5. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, 'D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945:

First Sergeant ARTHUR J. HORNBECK, 6776237, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. George Hornback (father), 17 Milton Street, Amsterdam, New York City, New York.

Staff Sergeant STANLEY R. CLAYMAN, 36355242, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Goldie Clayman (mother), 217 South Street, Louis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

III. AIR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, 'D, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

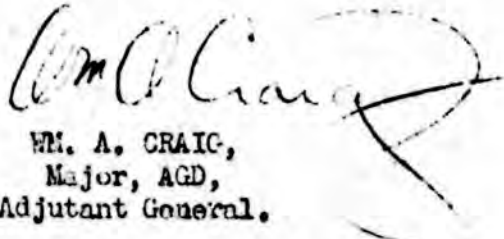
Technician Third Grade MIKE P. HUBERT, 36042625, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 May to 30 May 1945. Sergeant Hubert volunteered his services as an artillery air observer. Such duty required flying in a slow, unarmed artillery liaison plane over hilly terrain that was densely covered by heavy undergrowth. The enemy had full advantage of natural camouflage, all of which made surveillance more difficult, and required low altitude flying in many instances. On two occasions, while helping to spot enemy personnel, guns, and bivouac areas, the plane from which Sergeant Hubert was observing was fired upon; once by two or more enemy 25mm anti-aircraft guns, and once by an enemy 40mm gun. Sergeant Hubert did not falter in his assignment, but continued with his mission of surveillance against a stubborn and determined enemy. Sergeant Hubert was an inspiration to both the officers and enlisted men of his organization. Home address: Mrs. Eva Hubert (mother), Taylor, North Dakota.

IV. AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.—So much of Section II, General Orders No. 98, this headquarters, dated 9 August 1945, as pertains to Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD W. KETCHAM, 39204596, is rescinded.

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17 August 1945.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Public Law 43, 7D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Sergeant CARL K. SMITH, 37615672, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Calinan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945. At 1600 hours, an infantry company was in a perimeter defensive position on high ground 400 yards north of Calinan, when the enemy laid an artillery concentration on a truck convoy passing through a road junction. As the column moved along the road immediately behind the company's position, the enemy, having perfect observation of the convoy, shifted its artillery fire and in so doing brought the perimeter into the zone of intensive shelling. One of the first shells to explode in the area seriously wounded an officer, who fell to the ground bleeding profusely. Sergeant Smith, a radio operator who was then engaged in adjusting radio equipment in a trailer nearby, immediately ran across open ground under the heavy artillery fire to aid the wounded officer. After the Medical Officer had arrived, Sergeant Smith ran 100 yards to the Battalion aid station for a leg splint and returned over the dangerous course during the period of the most intensive enemy shelling. Sergeant Smith's unselfish devotion to duty and gallantry under fire reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Carl L. Smith (mother), Vandalia, Missouri.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, 7D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM G. CAMPBELL, 38459252, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 2 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lola Campbell (wife), Box 773, Donna, Texas.

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Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD H. HYATT, 35749650, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 4 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Robert H. Hyatt (father), Box 319C, Rural Free Delivery, Route #4, Morganstown, West Virginia.

Sergeant DANIEL G. LUZINAS, 36006027, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 May to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Teresa A. Luzinas (wife), 4330 Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant (then Corporal) RALPH F. NOBLE, 34199651, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Islands from 22 October 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. William L. Noble (father), Rural Free Delivery, Rural #1, Luverne, Alabama.

Technician Fourth Grade HOWARD L. OBERLANDER, 13021463, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mr. Michael L. Oberlander (father), 509 North Adams Street, York, Pennsylvania.

Master Sergeant EDWIN E. PETERSON, 39089119, Finance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 19 April to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jennie Peterson (mother), 2811 Park Street, Berkeley, California.

Second Lieutenant M. L. SIBULKIN, United States Marine Corps Reserve. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Islands from 20 October to 25 October 1944. Home address: Unknown.

Corporal ANTHONY T. SMITH, 37314883, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 22 October 1944 to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mr. Frank X Smith (father), 528 Walnut Street, Mahkato, Minnesota.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945:

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Sergeant (then Corporal) EDWARD J. DOLNEY, 38096817, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Frank J. Dolney (father), 1813 Goliad Street, Houston, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade GEORGE H. HOGUE, 36463520, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Fay Hogue (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #2, Decatur, Michigan.

Corporal CARL T. LASHER, 37613375, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Anna N. Lasher (mother), 3510 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade RALPH W. SHADWELL, 36373756, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home address: Mr. Earl Shadwell (father), 412 Virginia Avenue, Effingham, Illinois.

III. AIR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Major GERALD C. MORGAN, 0451128, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 21 April to 21 July 1945. During operations on Mindanao, Major Morgan made ten flights in slow, unarmored artillery liaison planes to obtain vital information on which the Division Artillery Commander could base his plan of operation. Several flights were from advance fields known to be hazardous, and over enemy held territory. On 26 June 1945, Major Morgan voluntarily made a flight to locate the exact position of the Upien Trail, which was reported to be a withdrawal route for the enemy from its Tamogan positions. The entire flight was over rugged terrain where, a short time before, another liaison plane had been shot down. The cloud structure forced flight at low altitudes. Despite these hazards, Major Morgan successfully completed his mission and brought back much valuable information as well as photographs of the trail. Major Morgan's devotion to duty reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Elsie L. Krusor (mother), 2919 Douglas Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

Lieutenant Colonel MAX L. PITNEY, 022721, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight over Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 April to 20 May 1945. Colonel Pitney, commanding officer of a Field Artillery battalion, made 34 flights totaling 55 hours in Field Artillery liaison-type airplanes. The flights were made to obtain first-hand information as to the terrain and friendly and enemy troop dispositions so that the best positions and routes thereto could be selected and to plan and execute Field Artillery support to its maximum effectiveness. Many flights were made from hastily constructed forward strips, hazardous for dual take-offs. All extended over enemy lines and many were at altitudes as low as 500 feet, when required by cloud cover or the

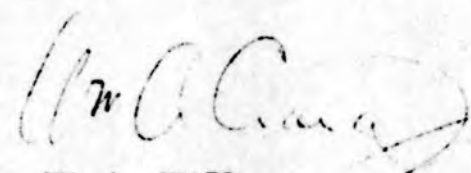
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necessity for close observation. These flights were beyond the normal duty of a Field Artillery battalion commander, and from them Colonel Pitney gained knowledge that contributed greatly to the effectiveness of his Field Artillery battalion during the Mindanao operation. Home address: Mrs. Max L. Pitney (wife), 301 North Main Street, Louisiana, Missouri.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, 'D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class FRANK K. GODFREY, 32679012, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 4 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Godfrey (wife), 16 Pine Street, Hamilton, New York.

Corporal CHARLES H. HAWK, 36560672, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 26 July to 29 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Geraldine Hawk (wife), 22321 Grove Point, St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

Private First Class WILLIAM RINWALT, JR., 38340576, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 27 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Ora B. Rinewalt (mother), Star Route #4, La Mesa, Texas.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, 'D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 July to 31 July 1945:

Major ALFREDO M. BUSTAMANTE, 024031, Infantry, Philippine Army. Home address: Mrs. Lourdes F. Bustamante (wife), Ladtingan, Pikit, Cotabato Province, Mindanao, Philippine Islands.

First Lieutenant ANTHONY F. GASICH, 01047129, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Anna Winkler (mother), 4033 Cleveland Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Captain EDWARD T. MAGUIRE, 0399884, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Mary W. Maguire (wife), 1027 Belmont Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3. WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division to the following named enlisted man for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 27 July to 2 August 1945:

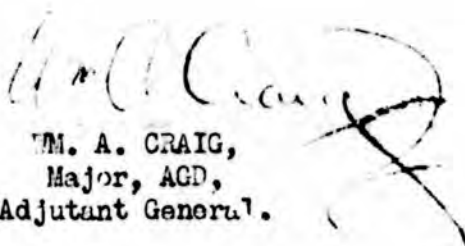
First Sergeant NELS P. JESSEN, JR., 20753866, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. N. P. Jessen (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #11, District 12, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Corporal EDWARD W. ROBERTSON, 39338362, Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. Home address: Mrs. Martha N. Robertson (wife), Box 901, Washougal, Washington.

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I. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant (then Staff Sergeant) CHARLES S. ASHWORTH, JR., 11062349, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mr. Charles S. Ashworth, Sr. (father), 171 Long Street, Apponaug, Rhode Island.

Private First Class JAMES L. COLLINS, 35359832, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 28 October 1944 to 20 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alice M. Collins (mother), 310 West Adams Street, Tipton, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant MAX F. CURRY, 33142884, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro, Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 January to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Hazel Hansen (mother), 54 Pine Street, Franklinville, New York.

Major ROBERT J. DANIELS, 0452077, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 7 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Miss Anna R. Daniels (sister), 612 Foothill Boulevard, Oakland, California.

Private First Class ROGER K. HELLER, 39035391, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 4 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alma L. Heller (mother), 5567 Thomas Avenue, Oakland, California.

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Staff Sergeant WALTER B. McNUTT, 38075324, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 January to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara M. McNutt (wife), Bellville, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN W. MOLLER, 32505348, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro, Romblon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 October 1944 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mr. John W. Moller (father), 9009 205th Street, Hallis, Long Island, New York.

First Lieutenant ELIOT A. RONDEL, 0377456, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 4 May to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sophia A. Page (sister), 2737 Hampshire Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

First Lieutenant WESLEY J. WERNER, 01313479, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro and Luzon, Philippine Islands from 13 December 1944 to 1 March 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy E. Werner (wife), Clarion, Iowa.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) ERNEST J. ZERNER, 0374294, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on 10 May 1945 and on 11 May 1945. On 10 May 1945, Captain Zerner assumed command of an infantry company which was then attacking a well entrenched enemy position on Hill 550, after the former company commander had been wounded. The Japanese stronghold was located in extremely heavy undergrowth, and in order more effectively to evaluate the terrain, Captain Zerner frequently exposed himself to enemy fire. As a result of his personal reconnaissance he was able to lead his troops forward and destroy the opposition. On 11 May 1945, while engaged in a forward reconnaissance, Captain Zerner was wounded in the arm by enemy rifle fire. After brief medical care he returned to his troops and continued to lead them in their successful operations against the enemy. Captain Zerner's outstanding leadership and personal courage served as an inspiration to the men of his command and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Carolyn D. Zerner (wife), 2420 North 8th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana.

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* Captain WILLIAM L. ATKINS, 01174736, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 March to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances S. Watkins (wife), 579 Boulevard, Anderson, South Carolina.

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II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Robert A. Goshorn, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 6, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 22 January 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) ROBERT A. GOSHORN, 01306089, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 May to 15 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary Goshorn (mother), Ossian, Indiana.

2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain James A. Jarrett, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 20, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 6 April 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) JAMES A. JARRETT, 01321188, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 17 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jeanne M. Jarrett (wife), Taylor Street, Cuthbert, Georgia.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class James V. Porpiglia, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 32, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 27 May 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Private First Class JAMES V. PORPIGLIA, 33608925, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 22 April to 13 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mildred Porpiglia (mother), 834 Peace Street, Hazelton, Pennsylvania.

4. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant James D. Williams, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 18, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 8 August 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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First Lieutenant JAMES D. WILLIAMS, 01324218, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Manlog, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 7 June 1945. Lieutenant Williams was acting in the capacity of platoon leader of an infantry company, which was given a mission of taking Sacred Hill in the vicinity of Manlog. During the advance toward the objective, the company was in the act of crossing a deep ravine under enemy observation when the leading elements, reaching the opposite side, were pinned down by enemy machine gun and mortar fire. Lieutenant Williams, realizing the gravity of the situation, immediately deployed the platoon to meet the threat from the rear. With complete disregard for his personal safety, exposing himself to enemy machine gun fire, he maneuvered his men in such a way as to destroy the enemy. Being without an aid man, Lieutenant Williams administered first aid to the wounded and directed their evacuation. On another occasion Lieutenant Williams led his platoon across the ravine, this time with the mission of flanking the enemy. Once again he demonstrated excellent leadership and courage under fire. He flanked and destroyed the enemy positions and enabled the company to proceed and to accomplish its mission. Lieutenant Williams's quick thinking, fine leadership and coolness under fire won the respect and admiration of the entire command. Home address: Mrs. Frances M. Williams (wife), 314 Harris Street, Burlington, North Carolina.

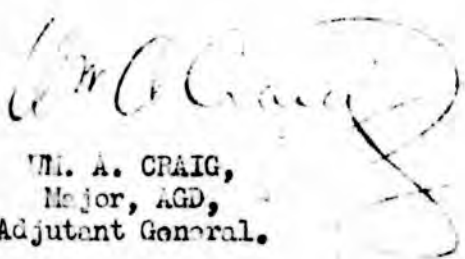
III. PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade JAMES F. WISE, 35389433, Cavalry, United States Army. For wounds received in action at Sasa Airdrome, Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 27 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Willie M. Wise (mother), 228 North Avenue, Barberton, Ohio.

IV. AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.--So much of General Orders No. 97, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division dated 6 August 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant James D. Williams, 01324218, is rescinded.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1913 (Bull. 43, TD, 1913), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) GEORGE D. FILLETS, 0387946, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Hubason, Leyte, Philippine Islands on 11 December 1944. During a bitter assault against a well-armed, numerically superior enemy force holding well-entrenched positions on the forward slope of a hill, Colonel Fillets led a combat patrol forward, after a preparatory mortar and artillery barrage. Due to the open terrain and the fact that it was a hot, clear day, enemy observation was excellent. After a bitter battle which lasted the greater part of the day, Colonel Fillets' patrol reached the crest of the hill at approximately 1530 hours, only to find a well-armed enemy strongly entrenched on the reverse slope of the hill. A heavy machine gun was brought to the top, and set up to deliver harassing fire on the well-concealed enemy which pinned them down momentarily. Colonel Fillets, taking advantage of the covering fire, called to his men to follow him and charged the enemy positions hurling grenades. He personally killed at least three Japs, and enabled the patrol to overrun the positions and clear the area of Japs. A count of enemy dead showed that seventy-eight Japs had been killed. Major Fillets' aggressive action at a crucial moment enabled his unit to accomplish its mission and gain a strategic position of great value. His gallant actions reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Winifred B. Fillets (wife), Stanton, New Jersey.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class JOHN E. BROWN, 54149823, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 20 April to 22 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Cora E. Brown (mother), Box 592, Attalla, Alabama.

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First Lieutenant ROBERT C. CARSON, 01554691, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 4 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sara M. Carson (mother), 422 Morwood Avenue, New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Captain RICHARD M. CHATHAM, 01585269, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 December 1944 to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine C. Chatham (wife), 1825 Ocean Dunes Terrace, Daytona Beach, Florida.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) EDMUND R. COLLINS, 0462631, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 22 April 1944 to 20 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jella E. Collins (mother), 14th Street, Haines City, Florida.

Master Sergeant JOSEPH PALBO, 36235887, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 10 March to 5 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Margaret Falbo (mother), 1605 West Mainekke Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Master Sergeant JOHN H. SHACKELFORD, 15106263, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific Area from 28 July 1944 to 30 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. H. G. Shackelford (mother), North Vernon, Indiana.

Sergeant (then Corporal) CLIFFORD L. SIMMONS, 32362529, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro, Philippine Islands from 5 May to 28 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Elizabeth A. Simmons (mother), 27 Ariel Road, Clementon, New Jersey.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Charles R. Holloway, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 22, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 22 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, D, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain (then First Lieutenant) CHARLES R. HOLLOWAY, 01307544, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Luzon and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 4 February to 28 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Stella B. Holloway (wife), 1247 Everett Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

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2. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Charles W. Lewis, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 33, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 25 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

✓ First Lieutenant CHARLES W. LEWIS, 01167088, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Virgil Lewis (wife), Cavalier, North Dakota.

3. By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant William H. Lingle, Jr., by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 33, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, dated 25 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

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✓ * First Lieutenant WILLIAM H. LINGLE, JR., 01632270, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy on Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 March to ~~30 June~~ 1945. Home address: Mrs. William H. Lingle, Jr. (wife), Bahia Linda, Mar East, Tiburon, California.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1916 (Dull. 43, D, 1916), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Second Lieutenant (then Technical Sergeant) LOUIS FERNANDEZ, 02023938, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action near Davao City, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 1 May 1945. Lieutenant Fernandez' platoon was leading the advance of an infantry company in its assault against enemy strongpoints and positions on Hill 550. These were situated in a heavily wooded area overlooking Davao City, and the route of approach lay through deep mud caused by recent rains. Although the weather was clear, affording the enemy the advantage of excellent visibility, Lieutenant Fernandez, acting as platoon leader, moved one squad to within 50 yards of the gun positions before being detected. Under intense covering fire from his three Browning automatic riflemen, he closed in with his squad, killing seven of the enemy and routing the others. As the squad overran the position, heavy rifle and machine gun fire poured in from concealed positions on the right flank. Lieutenant Fernandez immediately took over the flank protection of his platoon, and ran up the hill firing on the hidden positions. He killed three of the enemy and forced the remainder to flee. The company then swept through to gain its objective without suffering undue casualties, and to capture four six-inch enemy naval guns in addition to securing the high ground overlooking Davao City. Lieutenant Fernandez' outstanding leadership and great personal courage were an inspiration to his men and reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. William Fernandez (brother), 940 Kalili Street #35, Honolulu, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii.

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* Lieutenant Colonel CHESTER A. DAHLER, 019020, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action at Leyte, Philippine Islands on 29 October 1944. When his Regimental Commander was seriously wounded in action, Colonel Dahler promptly assumed command of the regiment at a time when the leading combat elements were heavily engaged with enemy forces in rice fields and coconut groves northwest of Jaro. Knowing the value of personal reconnaissance, Colonel Dahler, with utter disregard for his personal safety, went forward under enemy fire to the front lines. As a result of his first hand information, the regiment, under his direction, continued to move forward in its

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attack despite the change in command. On 31 October 1944, Colonel Dahlen's regiment, advancing north west from Jaro toward Carigara, suddenly encountered bitter enemy resistance near Glagsam. Colonel Dahlen, who was then well forward with his leading elements, fearlessly exposed himself to enemy light artillery, mortar, and machine gun fire, to plan and supervise personally the execution of a coordinated attack which was accomplished against determined enemy forces aided in their defense by perfect weather and visibility. The resulting destruction of large numbers of the enemy enabled the regiment to advance rapidly on the division objective. Colonel Dahlen's outstanding leadership, energy, and gallant conduct under enemy fire were an inspiration to the officers and enlisted men of his regiment, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Chester A. Dahlen (wife), Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Georgia.

II. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 2, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade HAROLD T. CLAYPOOL, 35411379, Field Artillery, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near the Talomo River in the vicinity of Malapos, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 20 June 1945. Sergeant Claypool, a radio operator, was a member of an artillery forward observer party assigned to an assault company of infantry which was ordered to cross the Talomo River. The company completed the crossing and moved forward in column along a trail through extremely rough and wooded terrain where visibility was limited to 15 or 20 feet. The unit encountered an enemy ambush, and was split by intense fire from rifles and machine guns concealed in the dense undergrowth. The rear half of the company was forced to withdraw across the river, while the forward elements, of which Sergeant Claypool's party was a part, advanced beyond the enemy ambush by crawling approximately 400 yards. During this advance, Sergeant Claypool aided the forward observer in keeping the party together, although enemy machine gun bullets penetrated the radio pack on his back. When the dense jungle terrain and confusion caused some members of the party to lose their way, he crawled back approximately 20 yards through enemy fire to guide them forward. This enabled the forward observer to deliver urgently needed fire directions to the supporting artillery. Sergeant Claypool's courageous actions and cool presence of mind reflects high credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Beatrice Kerns (mother), 515 East Main Street, Van Wert, Ohio.

Private First Class JAMES N. KNOX, 38084771, Medical Department, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Leyte, Philippine Islands, from 20 October to 23 November 1944. Private Knox was attached as an aid man and litter bearer to a battalion that was isolated for a period of 18 days. Many times, under heavy enemy fire, Private Knox was called upon to administer emergency first aid to the wounded men. On one

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occasion, during a strong Japanese attack on the perimeter, Private Knox left his foxhole and ran forward to assist a man who had been wounded and was trying to crawl away from an attacking Japanese. Private Knox with utter disregard for his personal safety often made the rounds to the various positions in the perimeter to care for the wounded men and afford them as much comfort as possible. Private Knox has always been a reliable and efficient man in the performance of his duties. His initiative and courage in the presence of great hazards reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Nannie E. Knox (mother), Box 205, Bridgeport, Texas.

Sergeant GEORGE M. KOLETSAR, 39091745, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 5 May 1945. At approximately 1400 hours, a number of Japanese six-inch artillery shells landed in the Regimental Command Post area situated in rugged terrain. Four shells exploded, and wounded several men. On the call for an aid man, Sergeant Kolesar ran from the aid station with his medical equipment to the area where the wounded men lay bleeding in the hot sun. Seeing one man's leg severed, he immediately applied a tourniquet and stopped the flow of blood. As intermittent artillery fire continued to fall around him, he administered first aid to two other men and helped to evacuate them to a nearby Portable Surgical Hospital. Sergeant Kolesar's courage and devotion to duty are a credit to himself, and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Horton Kolesar (wife), 606 Louisiana Street, Vallejo, California.

Technical Sergeant CARLINE L. HUGHES, 35499682, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the Talomo River-Mantal Area, Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 4 May to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Susan Hughes (wife), Hamilton Heights, Hodgenville, Kentucky.

Technician Third Grade HAROLD B. MAUE, 35122424, Medical Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy near Parang and Davao City, Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 19 April to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy J Maue (wife), 107 Norton Street, Dayton, Ohio.

Captain LYNN T. RICHARDSON, 0522407, Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the vicinity of Parang and Davao, Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 1 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lynn T. Richardson (wife), 293 South Ripley Street, Neosho, Missouri.

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) IRVING WOOD ROSS, 024564, Ordnance Department, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Layte and Mindoro, Philippine Islands from 19 January to 13 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Conilla W. Ross (wife), 26 Holt Street, Belmont, Massachusetts.

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Second Lieutenant ALFRED E. VAN DERHOOF, 02022902, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 13 June 1945. Lieutenant Van Derhoof was a member of an infantry company advancing through heavy jungle growth toward high ground near Mandog, Mindanao. At a point where the route lay through flat terrain, bordered on the right by a high hill and on the left by the Davao River Valley, the column came under enemy sniper fire, rendered more dangerous by the excellent visibility which prevailed. With the aid of his scouts, Lieutenant Van Derhoof calmly directed his men through the danger zone. After the platoon had cleared the steep cliffs, the Japs detonated a large quantity of bombs and high explosives. The terrific explosion that followed injured every man in the platoon, including Lieutenant Van Derhoof. Despite shock and wounds, he personally checked each man's injuries and helped to administer first aid. Not until all his men had been removed to safety did he have his own wounds treated. He left the area with the last carrying party, acting as one of the guards. Lieutenant Van Derhoof's courageous actions and example of courage under fire were an inspiration to every member of his command and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Livinia Thomas (mother), 2336 13th Street, Boulder, Colorado.

Private First Class EARL E. WEDLSORF, 37116386, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 2 June 1945. At approximately 1500 hours, an infantry battalion was moving rapidly up a mountain trail. As the lead elements entered an abaca grove, two squads were deployed as skirmishers. As they started through the thicket where visibility was extremely limited, the enemy opened fire with rifles and machine guns from well camouflaged positions along previously prepared interlocking lanes of fire. Private Wendelsdorf, a member of the left flank squad, saw his squad leader fall, seriously wounded. Without hesitation, he took command of the squad and ordered his men to continue their attack. His excellent leadership and personal bravery enabled his squad to eliminate the well entrenched enemy on the left half of the platoon front. Private Wendelsdorf's outstanding leadership and initiative are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Emalia Wendelsdorf (mother), Jackson Street, Jackson, Minnesota.

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I. SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Cull. 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant (then Private First Class) EUGENE E. HAUGE, 37481982, Infantry, United States Army. For gallantry in action in the vicinity of Calinan, Davao Province, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 17 June 1945. During the advance of an infantry company in the direction of Calinan, the point, while moving through heavy undergrowth, came under enemy fire and one man was wounded. The withdrawing squad temporarily was forced to leave him behind. Efforts to reach the wounded man were unsuccessful until Sergeant Hauge volunteered to crawl up alone and attempt a rescue. While the platoon maintained covering fire, Sergeant Hauge, taking full advantage of the natural cover as well as the limited visibility due to the cloudy day, crawled through the brush under searching enemy fire and reached the fallen man, only to find him dead. He then crawled forward and retrieved the casualty's automatic rifle to prevent it falling into the hands of the enemy. A patrol later found that Sergeant Hauge had crawled to within fifteen feet of an enemy machine gun in his effort to aid a wounded comrade. Sergeant Hauge's courage and willingness to risk his own life for another were a source of great inspiration to the members of the company, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Anne M. Hauge (mother), 1120 East 6th, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

II. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provision of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Cull. 8, D, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JOHN L. HOUSER, 20412505, Tr. Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Talomo, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 26 July 1945. At approximately 0200 hours he heard cries of distress coming from the water beyond the end of the deck, and upon investigating, he discovered two men floundering in the water. One man was approximately 200 yards from the deck

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while the other was somewhat closer. Sergeant Houser immediately went to the aid of the man nearest him, and then, after obtaining a life preserver, swam to the other man and held his head above the water until a rescue boat arrived to pick them up. The heroic act of Sergeant Houser reflects great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Marvin A. Houser (father), Rural Free Delivery, Route #3, Lincolnton, North Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN J. ROBERTS, 32982679, Infantry, United States Army. For heroism at Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 29 July 1945. On that afternoon, in the vicinity of Davao Gulf, a soldier swimming approximately 75 yards off shore was caught in a swift cross current of water, caused by the racing engines of a nearby LSM. Sergeant Roberts, hearing the man's cries of distress, immediately dashed into the water and swam to the aid of the helpless man. Unable to make any progress against the dangerous current he elected to remain with the drowning man and kept him afloat until a raft could be brought from the shore. Sergeant Roberts' prompt and courageous action resulted in saving the life of a fellow soldier, and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Corporal Mary K. Roberts (wife), "AC Detachment, Squadron "D", Spence Field, IAF, Moultrie, Georgia.

III. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Sergeant (then Corporal) DAVID DRESCHER, 32517600, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 17 April to 10 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Clara Drescher (mother), 274 East 3rd Street, New York City, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade ROBERT V. EDMISTON, 35398326, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in the southern Philippine campaign from 20 October 1944 to 8 August 1945. Home address: Mrs. Carolyn G. Edmiston (mother), Rural Free Delivery, Route #1, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade ROBERT J. HADRATH, 37546879, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 27 April to 10 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Alma Hadrath (mother), Coleman Avenue, Montevideo, Minnesota.

Captain KINGSLEY W. HANTHORNE, 0527033, Chaplain's Corps, United States Army. For heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy in Mt. Sag Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 5 February 1945. Between the hours of 1000 and 1100, an infantry battalion in a congested area in Mt. Sag Pass on Luzon suddenly came

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under heavy enemy mortar fire. A large number of casualties were suffered, causing an acute shortage in the battalion area of men to administer aid to the wounded and assist in their evacuation. Chaplain Hawthorne immediately took command of the chaotic situation, and for more than one hour, under constant mortar and machine gun fire, administered morphine, rendered first aid, and organized and assisted in the evacuation of the wounded. With no thought of his personal safety, Chaplain Hawthorne remained in the area until the last wounded man had been carried to safety. Chaplain Hawthorne's personal leadership and unfaltering trust in God gave courage to those he aided and to all who witnessed his action. Home address: Mrs. Priscilla A. Hawthorne (wife), 60 Townsend Avenue, Belmont, Massachusetts.

Captain JOHN R. HOPKINS, 0376075, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 March to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Dorothy J. Hopkins (wife), 734 Noyes Street, Evanston, Illinois.

IV. BRONZE STAR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain William L. Watkins by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 32, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 22 December 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec. II, Bull. 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain WILLIAM L. WATKINS, 01174736, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the enemy at Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 March to 31 July 1945. Home address: Mrs. Frances S. Watkins (wife), 579 Boulevard, Anderson, South Carolina.

V. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Ray A. Price, by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 60, Headquarters 24th Infantry Division, 28 June 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 24th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull. 25, WD, 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant RAY A. PRICE, 01175834, Field Artillery, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight near Bunawan, Mindanao, Philippine Islands on 20 May 1945. While making a patrol flight, Lieutenant Price observed an enemy anti-aircraft gun firing on C-47 transport planes flying over Lincanan Airdrome. The caliber of the gun was estimated to be about 90mm. Upon spotting the gun, Lieutenant Price, with full knowledge that he was within range of the gun and that his slow aircraft was extremely vulnerable to the enemy fire, began to adjust our artillery fire on the enemy gun until it had been silenced. Lieutenant Price,

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by his outstanding ability and courageous action, undoubtedly saved many lives, and his courage and persistence reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Billie L. Price (wife), 122 North "C" Street, Skiatook, Oklahoma.

OK ✓ VI. AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL ORDERS.--1. So much of paragraph 3, Section III, General Orders Number 108, this headquarters, dated 21 August 1945, as reads: "at Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 March to 13 April 1945" is amended to read: "at Mindoro and Mindanao, Philippine Islands from 1 March to 30 June 1945."

OK ✓ 2. So much of Section I, General Orders Number 106, this headquarters, dated 18 August 1945, as pertains to Captain William L. Watkins, O1174736, is rescinded. L

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I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, under the provisions of General Orders No. 3, War Department, 22 February 1932, and Army Regulations 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart with Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named enlisted men for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 January 1945. This is in addition to the Purple Heart awarded these enlisted men by this Headquarters in previous General Orders.

DAVID P. KINTSFATHER, 39300981, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Pueblo, Colorado.

BOB J. CARLETON, 20933024, Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of General Orders, No. 3, War Department, 22 February 1932, and Army Regulations 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

14 January 1945

DUANE E. COBLE, 20932439, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Roseburg, Oregon.

17 January 1945

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~~FRANK W. LINDBLAD, JR., O-153, 703, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: New Haven, Connecticut.~~

JOSEPH C. LEGARSKY, 6668012, Technical Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Apollo, Pennsylvania.

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~~FRANK L. SMIDERLY, 39156609, Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Cucamonga, California.~~

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MACARIO P. ESQUER, 38441126, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Deming, New Mexico.

RAYMOND G. KOESTER, 32036308, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Hamburg, New York.

WILLIAM MOCKO, 20928845, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Sidney, Montana.

VICTOR E. VAUGHN, 38473588, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Jefferson, Texas.

JOHN D. LESTER, 33702473, Private, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

RICHARD H. MANAHL, 37682304, Private, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Waterloo, Iowa.

18 January 1945

JESSE E. BALL, 12028932, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

JAMES D. SHAKE, 35485595, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Sandborn, Indiana.

RAY D. RANDOLPH, 35387863, Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Arkon, Ohio.

VINCENT W. HENNELSEY, 37663875, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Waterloo, Iowa.

CHARLES H. SEAGO, 37616388, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

JACK L. RIDDEL, 20944182, Private, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bellingham, Washington.

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HEADQUARTERS,
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

By direction of the President, under the provisions of General Orders No. 3, War Department, 22 February 1932, and Army Regulations 600-45, 23 September 1943, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated.

18 January 1945

DENZIL L. AMBERMAN, 13029983, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.

19 January 1945

HAROLD F. ERZ, O-406901, Captain, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

JACK B. COFFY, 20944359, First Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bellingham, Washington.

GARY B. HARDEE, 6924047, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Conway, South Carolina.

SHELBY E. SMITH, 38076825, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Oak Hill, Oklahoma.

CLARENCE A. LAWRENCE, 6969549, Technician Fifth Grade, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fairmont, South Carolina.

LEO E. BEAUDOIN, 39538021, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lake Grove, Oregon.

BOB W. BLACKBURN, 34907459, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Georgiana, Alabama.

LEO T. BUNNER, 37142253, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Udall, Kansas.

CHARLES B. CORNETT, 39299516, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Exeter, California.

JOHN J. CURCIO, 32961126, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: New York, New York.

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JOHN W. DURAM, 20903222, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

DENNIE E. GCSE, 38441129, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Derry, New Mexico.

ALBERT L. RICKBEIL, 37171463, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Hensel, North Dakota.

FRELEN E. RILEY, 39568947, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Brea, California.

WALTER S. SPINK, 20933300, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

CLAUDE F. TAYLOR, 35706127, Private First Class, Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Sawyer, Kentucky.

ABE E. WILLIAMS, 39081413, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Coarsegold, California.

STEVEN J. WOLFE, 37566389, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Hibbing, Minnesota.

RAYMOND N. DODGE, 39466423, Private, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Priest River, Idaho.

ANTHONY J. LOSSI, 20269726, Private, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Albany, New York.

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25th Infantry Division.
APO #25, 30 Jan. 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

20 January 1945

VAUGHN BRININSTOOL, 36164708, Sergeant, Signal Corps, Army of the United States. Home Address: Galesburg, Michigan

RUSSELL A. DIENKING, 39336104, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

WILLIAM L. FOX, 6578694, Technical Sergeant, Signal Corps, Army of the United States. Home Address: San Francisco, California.

JULIAN HALL, 34016344, Private, Signal Corps, Army of the United States. Home Address: Charlotte, North Carolina.

CECIL B. KLEIN, 20944376, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Bellingham, Washington.

22 January 1945

DUARD H. BURNETT, 33650646, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Galan, Virginia.

HILL L. KELLER, 37529764, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Wichita, Kansas.

JAMES H. MC KEON, 31042236, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: New Haven, Connecticut.

OTIS C. PHILLIPS, 37529193, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Emporia, Kansas.

REIMOND F. STOKES, O-1300727, First Lieutenant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Jacksonville, Florida.

EARL YOUNG, 32550882, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Pitman, New Jersey.

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23 January 1945

EDWARD J. OLENDEK, 18023305, Staff Sergeant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Binghamton, New York.

ROBERT P. SMITH, 37481915, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Lincoln, Nebraska.

BENJAMIN T. TAYLOR, JR., O-1319993, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Houston, Texas.

ALFRED H. MATKINS, 18214486, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Bear Valley, Texas.

24 January 1945

RUDOLPH P. DEHNHOFF, 20219566, Private, Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home address: White Plains, New York.

25 January 1945

EDWARD C. C. ZENOP, 7074167, Private First Class, Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: White Plains, New York.

ANGELO J. ORLANDO, 17045342, Private First Class, Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home address: Kansas City, Missouri.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
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Section
AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER) I
AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART. II

I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded to them by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders shown after their name, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to each of the following named officer and enlisted men by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

14 January 1945

Staff Sergeant FELIX M. ENTENMANN, JR., (20943195), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Spokane, Washington. (Page 2, Section II, General Orders No. 48, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 14 December 1943).

27 January 1945

Sergeant ELWYN D. ANDERSON, (20935006), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Clackamas, Oregon. (Page 1, Section II, General Orders No. 5, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 12 March 1944).

First Lieutenant REDMOND F. STOKES, (O-1300727), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Jacksonville, Florida. (Page 1, General Orders No. 5, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 30 January 1945).

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

19 January 1945

Corporal JAMES P. BOWDEN, (34179854), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. Home Address: Willow Springs, North Carolina.

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24 January 1945

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*Private First Class STANLEY R. ANDERSON, (37567271), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: St. Peter, Minnesota.

Sergeant OSBORNE BALL, (14008227), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Newport, Tennessee.

Private First Class CHARLES I. BOYD, (20932845), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Tuakau, New Zealand.

Private First Class WARREN H. CLARK, (17040730), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: McCook, Nebraska.

Private First Class JESSE DIAZ, (38529238), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Vaxahachie, Texas.

Private ALTON A. DRINKWALE, (39340127), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Payette, Idaho.

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN W. FERRIS, (0-19097), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bethesda, Maryland.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM H. GRIMES, JR., (0-1311986), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Private First Class ALAN W. HIGGINS, (39600624), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Columbia Falls, Montana.

Private First Class EDWARD H. HORLIVY, (37155250), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Exeter, Nebraska.

Private First Class WILLIAM J. KLINE, (32963667), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 1 Feb. 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

17 January 1945

Private ELMER J. JONES, (33736166), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Baltimore, Maryland.

18 January 1945

Private First Class JESS W. FOX, (39081863). Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Allegany, California.

21 January 1945

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. HAKLO, (13009645), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Ellwood City, Pennsylvania.

22 January 1945

Private OLIVER D. MARNEY, (37529740), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Topeka, Kansas.

Private JOHN P. MICKLOW, (33796946), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

24 January 1945

Private LEONARD E. MICHELSON, (37566974), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sergeant BLAINE A. MILLER, (39156356), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Burbank, California.

Private First Class WILLIAM L. NOBLE, (14040667), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Port Moultrie, South Carolina.

Private First Class JAMES T. PHARR, JR., (14116676), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Grover, North Carolina.

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Private First Class JOHNNIE PEACOCK, (34000001), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Montrose, Georgia.

Private First Class KENNETH J. PERRIN, (31357782), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Private First Class ISAAC S. RODRIGUEZ, (38455505), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lockhart, Texas.

Private First Class WALTER W. SHEARER, (39416520), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Kerman, California.

Private HENRY H. THOMAS, (39697555), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bakersfield, California.

Private LUCERNE M. TRUDELL, (39208729), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Seattle, Washington.

Private First Class CLARENCE WASHINGTON, (34824771), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Villa Rica, Georgia.

25 January 1945

Private First Class HARRY E. LUBKE, (37568078), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Staples, Minnesota.

26 January 1945

Private First Class WILLIAM M. CANTRELL, (38563136), Infantry, Army of the United States. Elk City, Oklahoma.

Private First Class FRANK C. PICKELL, (20942891), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Spokane, Washington.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 2 Feb. 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

14 January 1945

Corporal CHARLIE L. FRENCH, (38538556), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Beaumont, Texas.

Private First Class THOMAS E. HERRING, (38478125), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Jacksonville, Texas.

Sergeant LOREN E. WEBB, (39375971), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Malaga, Washington.

17 January 1945

Private First Class FRANK H. COCK, (17044710), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Hornersville, Missouri.

Private First Class HOMER W. COON, (39209992), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Seattle, Washington.

Private First Class TRUMAN S. WILLIAMS, (37616298), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Herculaneum, Missouri.

18 January 1945

Sergeant WALTER D. CALDWELL, (37065085), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lonsdale, Arkansas.

Rev. by HQ on Feb. 13, 1945
~~Staff Sergeant CHARLES E. DICK, (37088246), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lander, Washington.~~

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR W. HENWOOD, (37152624), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Spearfish, South Dakota.

Private First Class RAYMOND HUDDLESTON, (38564412), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Purcell, Oklahoma.

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Corporal JESSIE R. MIDDLETON, (3 130154), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lexington, Kentucky.

~~Private First Class DONALD W. NICHOLS, (38338223), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Amarillo, Texas~~ *Revised by Go 430 30 Aug 1945*

Technical Sergeant GEORGE E. RAY, (20943655), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Walla Walla, Washington.

Technical Sergeant GERALD F. STARR, (20934726), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

19 January 1945

Private First Class ALBERT W. BECK, (34775591), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lexington, North Carolina.

27 January 1945

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR E. NUTT, (39160867), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bakersfield, California.

Private First Class HAROLD L. TURNER, (32975447), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Newburgh, New Jersey.

29 January 1945

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN L. BOUCH, (15328283), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Grand Lodge, Michigan.

Corporal HEBEN O. KATTNER, (38100315), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Riesel, Texas.

Corporal GORDON G. POLZIN, (36236032), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Corporal WILLIAM D. SPURLIN, (6289429), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lampasas, Texas.

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25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 3 Feb. 1945.

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER) I
AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART II

I. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded Sergeant WILLIAM G. HAMMOND, (7060163), Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in section II, page 6, General Orders No. 5, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 12 March 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 February 1945.

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

24 January 1945

Private WILLIAM C. ECKMAN, (35897437), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Foley, Alabama.

Private First Class ALBERT J. SYOEN, (36877864), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Grosse Point Park, Michigan.

25 January 1945

Corporal COLIN C. COATS, (39571332), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

27 January 1945

Private First Class BOB B. GREER, (34739329), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Butler, Tennessee.

Private First Class ROBERT A. BAYES, (37672914), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Keokuk, Iowa.

Private First Class WILLARD E. IVERSEN, (39135478), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fortuna, California.

Private First Class JAMES R. JIMENEZ, (39150362), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

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✓ Private First Class JACK MAYNARD, (37701391), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Pueblo, Colorado.

✓ Private First Class ADAM J. OLESZKOWICZ, (36573107), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

✓ Private First Class WESLEY KYLANDER, (37567436), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fargo, North Dakota.

28 January 1945

✓ Sergeant LEO M. CASE, (39092355), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Merrill, Oregon.

✓ Captain ROBERT A. DYER, (O-412705), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Everett, Washington.

✓ Private First Class ORDEAN M. FIMMERSON, (37568571), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

✓ Private First Class JOHN W. LYNN, (20934870), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Grants Pass, Oregon.

✓ Private WOODROW MORRIS, (38503095), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Caraway, Arkansas.

✓ Private First Class RAY F. VOYLES, (37616676), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Neelyville, Missouri.

1 February 1945

✓ First Lieutenant GEORGE E. WESTERN, (O-1017861), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Brookhaven, Mississippi.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 4 Feb. 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

24 January 1945

Private First Class ROY G. DAVIS, (34739143), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Huntland, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant DELBERT F. JOHNSON, (39525469), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Lorenzo, Idaho.

Private ROBERT S. SEABERG, (36665376), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Park Ridge, Illinois.

Private First Class CLAIR F. SNYDER, (35024339), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: New Springfield, Ohio.

28 January 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH J. ONSTOTT, (37678505), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Mechanicsville, Iowa.

29 January 1945

Private First Class GEORGE W. BOHRSIK, (13027602), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class RAUL ESPARZA, (1000665), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: El Paso, Texas.

Private First Class JACK W. HUTCHISON, (37673558), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Levillu, Iowa.

Private CARL A. OLSON, (38566839), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Enid, Oklahoma.

Private First Class ALBERT D. TOM, (38470703), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: McCurtain, Oklahoma.

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*Private ALBERT N. WALL, (14062672), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Spartanburg, South Carolina.

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30 January 1945

Private First Class LEONARD L. BEREYMAN, (38019807), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Holdenville, Oklahoma.

Private First Class MILTON E. CLOCKER, (20129556), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Meriden, Connecticut.

Corporal HOWARD L. KEISER, (13021911), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Columbia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class STURE A. LUNDSTEDT, (31262482), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lowell, Pennsylvania.

Private ELMER H. SIELI, (37132079), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Festus, Missouri.

Private First Class JOHN W. SIMMONS, (37145340), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Oakdale, Nebraska.

2 February 1945

Corporal WILLARD E. BENNETT, (34241241), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Daytona Beach, Florida.

Private First Class EDWARD B. STORY, (38244750), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Crosby, Texas.

3 February 1945

Staff Sergeant LOYD P. HOFF, (33075349), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bellville, Texas.

Private First Class JAMES A. KENNETT, (34129383), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Cowpens, South Carolina.

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HEADQUARTERS,
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APO #25, 5 Feb. 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, the Philippines Islands, on date indicated:

17 January 1945

First Lieutenant SYDNEY V. GUNBORPE, JR., (O-1295367), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

Technical Sergeant JOHN H. LIPPENCOTT, (6982652), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Milford, New Jersey.

Private First Class VEINON L. McCAFFERTY, (35410974), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Chillicothe, Ohio.

Private First Class GERALD E. TRUEBLOOD, (35869951), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fowler, Indiana.

Sergeant WYMAN A. YENTER, (39451065), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Starbuck, Washington.

22 January 1945

Private WILLIAM E. SUMMERS, (18019878), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Henryetta, Oklahoma.

Private First Class CASPER J. DAURHINA, (32938969), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Rochester, New York.

24 January 1945

Private JAMES W. BRUMLEY, (38531400), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Dallas, Texas.

Private First Class ORVAL L. EDWARDS, (38588551), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Bristow, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant MARVIN R. HILL, (6926093), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lakeland, Florida.

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25 January 1945

Private First Class PATRICK H. McGOVERN, (37563822), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Proctor, Minnesota.

27 January 1945

Staff Sergeant JOHN O. BOEGER, (20943422), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Dallas, Wisconsin.

Captain MILTON E. GROGG, (O-1167873), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. Home Address: Loann, Indiana.

Sergeant HERBERT PAEICOAT, (34101052), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Hanceville, Alabama.

Major ROBERT W. McCALDER, (O-423494), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Pullman, Washington.

Private JOHN B. PARFLIN, (37529898), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Kensington, Kansas.

Second Lieutenant ROBERT B. POPE, (O-13-2713), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Los Angeles, California.

Second Lieutenant PHILIP SHERRY, (O-1296754), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

28 January 1945

First Lieutenant ERNEST WOODWARD, II, (O-1288664), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home address: Louisville, Kentucky.

30 January 1945

Private First Class GEORGE HAYONSKY, (33106050), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Taylor, Pennsylvania.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 6 Feb. 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945.

Private First Class RICHARD B. ADAIR, (37616810), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Piedmont, Missouri.

First Lieutenant HAROLD D. ARCHER, (O-416188), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Sidney, New York.

Private First Class HELMER L. BERGE, (37240706), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Sisseton, South Dakota.

Private SCHEARLY M. J. BREEN, (7007786), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Charlotte, North Carolina.

Private First Class FREDERICK H. BOBATH, (31322742), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Berwick, Maine.

Private First Class LEONARD W. CONRAD, (36765018), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Evergreen Park, Illinois.

Technical Sergeant STANLEY F. DULSKI, (6822228), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Perham, Minnesota.

Private First Class BOYD E. ELMUND, (34851103), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lumberton, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant ROY G. [REDACTED], (34101184), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Vinemont, Alaska.

Private JOHN F. HAUSMAN, JR., (35232853), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Kent, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant CHAUNCEY G. HOOPER, (11014472), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: East Franklin, Maine.

Sergeant ERNEST O. JAMES, (38091628), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Uvalde, Texas.

Private First Class DONALD K. MELOY, (35232857), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

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Private RICHARD L. ODOM, (38563213), Infantry, Army of the United States.
Home Address: Enid, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant RAYMOND E. PRICE, (7024075), Infantry, Army of the
United States. Home Address: Salem, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant LEE L. SCHMIDT, (39100231), Infantry, Army of the United
States. Home Address: Mason, Texas.

Technical Sergeant HOMER E. SECON, (3691985), Infantry, Army of the
United States. Home Address: Boonville, New York.

Private First Class HARRY P. SMITH, (32974998), Infantry, Army of the
United States. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

Staff Sergeant SEVIER H. M. VARGO, (33153992), Infantry, Army of the
United States. Home Address: Crabtree, Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant JAMES J. WELCH, (0-1315119), Infantry, Army of the
United States. Home Address: Dorchester, Massachusetts.

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I. AWARDS OF THE SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Brigadier General EVERETT E. BROWN, (O-6303), United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, 24 to 27 January inclusive; at Umingan, 1 and 2 February 1945, and at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 5 and 6 February 1945. General Brown, in complete disregard of his own personal safety, exposed himself to enemy fire in his efforts to coordinate the action of subordinate units and set an example of bravery much needed by friendly troops engaged in fighting a type of warfare strange to them. General Brown's fearlessness and coolness under fire contributed much to the success of our troops engaged at the above mentioned battles. Home address: San Antonio, Texas.

Colonel THOMAS N. STARK, (O-10368), General Staff Corps, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces in the vicinity of Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 and 2 February 1945. On the afternoon of 1 February 1945, at the command post of an infantry battalion engaged in action against the Japanese forces, Colonel Stark aided materially in directing plans for a continuation of the attack by this battalion. The following morning, upon learning the attack was not progressing as planned, Colonel Stark visited the front lines of the assault echelon and through his presence, in spite of the battalion commander's recommendation that he not expose himself, inspired a new regimental commander and elements of an infantry company to attack a point said to be heavily held by the Japanese. Colonel Stark's presence and energetic planning contributed greatly to the success of the regiment in gaining its objective. Home Address: Washington, D.C.

II. AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Lieutenant Colonel Philip F. Lindeman, O-272444, by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 116, Headquarters USAFISPA, 22 January 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel PHILIP F. LINDEMAN, (O-272444), Infantry, for displaying gallantry in action against the Japanese forces on 2 February 1945, by personally leading elements of one company of his regiment into the wooded area Northwest of the town of Umingan, Pangasinan Province, Luzon, Philippine Islands, in the face of enemy machine gun and rifle fire.

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This act of bravery and disregard of personal safety was an inspiration to Colonel Lindeman's new command, resulting in a vigorous attack and capture of that heavily defended town. Home Address: Berkeley, California.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
Colonel, General Staff Corps,
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

17 January 1945

✓ Sergeant ROBERT F. KIMES, (37144637), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Mansfield, Ohio.

18 January 1945

✓ Private First Class PAUL A. LOBIANO, (38267694), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Crowley, Louisiana.

✓ Staff Sergeant GUNNAR MIKKELSEN, (39228293), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Junction City, Iowa.

Private First Class JAY W. WINKLEMAN, (19004163), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Cottage Grove, Oregon.

22 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN C. BAKER, (39416454), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Yuba City, California.

Sergeant GARNELL BRAWLEY, (38407878), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Mangum, Oklahoma.

24 January 1945

Private First Class JUDITH R. BEARDON, (38478360), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Athens, Texas.

Private First Class HUBERT L. BLOWERS, (20943034), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Spokane, Washington.

Private First Class DALPH C. BURDICK, (37528363), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Falls City, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant EARL G. FRENCH, (37590444), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Postus, Missouri.

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Private First Class CARL M GOODWIN, (39023149), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Codyville, California.

Sergeant MAX C. HILL, (36157141), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lansing, Michigan.

Private First Class LEONARD MENDOZA, (39011709), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Coyote, California.

Staff Sergeant BENJAMIN C. TOWNSEND, (18070454), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fort Collins, Colorado.

26 January 1945

Private First Class LONNIE L. FRECKA, (39135417), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Richmond, California.

27 January 1945

Private First Class WALTER E. JOOPF, (37065186), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Wreck, Arkansas.

Private First Class LEO, (37348368), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: California.

Private KENNETH E. JOHNS, (2030146), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: W. W. m, New York.

Private First Class ROBERT W. MASON, (38518539), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lillie, Louisiana.

Technical Sergeant ELMER W. McGLYNN, (20942724), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Spokane, Washington.

2 February 1945

Private GEORGE CZAPP, JR., (33702977), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Monessen, Pennsylvania.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
Colonel, General Staff Corps,
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.	II

I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded to them by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders shown after their name, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to each of the following named enlisted men by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

24 January 1945

Staff Sergeant BENJAMIN C. TOWNSEND, (18070454), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fort Collins, Colorado. (Page 2, General Orders No. 14, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 8 February 1945).

27 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN C. BAKER, (39416454), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Yuba City, California. (Page 1, General Orders No. 14, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 8 February 1945).

3 February 1945

Private First Class DONALD K. MELOY, (35232857), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. (Page 1, General Orders No. 12, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 6 February 1945).

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

27 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN E. OLIVER, (38509144), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Kansas City, Missouri.

Sergeant WENTON J. PRITCHETT, (38268166), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Fort Cobb, Oklahoma.

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Private First Class JOHN C. TAYLOR, (37067047), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Booneville, Arkansas.

Private First Class BENJAMIN R. VALENZUELA, (39140489), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: San Jose, California.

Private First Class JOSEPH M. VELOUSKY, (33830112), Medical Department, Army of the United States. Home Address: Shaft, Pennsylvania.

28 January 1945

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM C. BAKER, (O-1316489), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Warrensburg, Missouri.

29 January 1945

Private KENNETH O. FOSTER, (37084748), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Cairo, Missouri.

Private First Class ERVING L. HALL, (34731431), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: White Bluff, Texas.

30 January 1945

Private First Class RAYMOND CIFLANIC, (35912927), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Lakewood, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant HOMER D. HAYMAN, (33171559), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Stillwater, Pennsylvania.

31 January 1945

Corporal WALTER H. ANDERSON, (16062562), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Muskegon, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade WAYNE O. RIGGS, (18001285), Infantry, Army of the United States. Home Address: Denver, Colorado.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
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I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, posthumously to the following named officer:

Major CECIL H. BAYLESS, (O-384649), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 2 February 1945 Major Bayless, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, and in the face of enemy machine gun and rifle fire, went to the rescue of a wounded soldier and assisted in removing him to a place of cover. This action by Major Bayless was an inspiration to all who witnessed it and aided materially in saving the life of the wounded man. Nearest of Kin: Mrs. Grace Bayless, (Mother), 1227 W. 2nd Street, Los Angeles, California.

II. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Colonel STANLEY B. LARSEN, (O-22094), Infantry, United States Army, for conspicuous leadership and gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 3 to 8 February 1945: In a desperate defense of Lupao, the enemy employed tanks, machine guns, mortars, rifle and light artillery pieces at point-blank range from well dug-in positions, utilizing buildings, bamboo thickets and brush covered ravines to conceal his dispositions and shifting defense. Colonel Larsen, in complete disregard of his own personal safety, daily throughout the action, exposed himself to enemy fire while visiting his forward elements to observe their progress and coordinate the action of all units and supporting fire. On at least two occasions he personally corrected faulty movements and dispositions of rifle platoons at critical points in the lines. The coolness, confidence, and calm judgment of Colonel Larsen was an inspiration to all members of his regiment and contributed materially to the destruction of the enemy and capture of Lupao. Home Address: Talladega, Alabama.

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✓ Lieutenant Colonel ALLEN A. PUTT, (O-139845), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces in the vicinity of Barat, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 and 2 February 1945. Colonel Putt, in his capacity as Observer for the Theatre Commander, stayed with the assault battalion during the attack on Barat. In spite of the battalion commander's warning that he remain under cover, Colonel Putt, without regard to his personal safety, continually exposed himself to enemy fire in order to clearly evaluate the situation. Colonel Putt's suggestions during the planning of the offensive aided materially in the reduction and capture of the enemy stronghold. Home Address: New York City, New York.

III. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

✓ First Lieutenant JOHN M. SLOCUM, (O-888363), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 19 January 1945. Lieutenant Slocum personally, with utter disregard for his own personal safety while under enemy artillery fire, placed his platoon in position and directed mortar fire on an enemy observation post. The courageous action and devotion to duty of Lieutenant Slocum were the chief factors in the successful accomplishment of his mission. Home Address: Oswego, Oregon.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

18 January 1945

Staff Sergeant AUSTIN D. BRYANT, (20932135), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Canyonville, Oregon.

19 January 1945

Private First Class MARVIN P. BAKER, (34890554), Infantry United States Army. Home Address: Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Private First Class C. B. MORROW, (38344732), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Guthrie, Texas.

20 January 1945

Private First Class JAMES J. AUGENTI, (31064566), Signal Corps, United States Army. Home Address: Brockton, Massachusetts.

24 January 1945

Private CLYDE MOORE, (38095837), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Texarkana, Texas.

Second Lieutenant KENNETH R. POULTON, (0-1310150), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Avalon, Pennsylvania.

27 January 1945

Technical Sergeant LOUIS E. CROWN, (6815906), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant JOHN C. HICKS, (15069195), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Barboursville, West Virginia.

Private KENNETH L. SHUTE, (37721728), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Valley Center, Kansas.

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— Private First Class CLAUDE C. TUNE, (38471794), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Vinita, Oklahoma.

28 January 1945

— Private J. M. PRINCE, (39136596), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Lonan, Arkansas.

— Private First Class CLEO W. SIMS, (38507182), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Gid, Arkansas.

— Sergeant RANDOLPH W. THOMPSON, (39128259), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Trinidad, California.

1 February 1945

— Private First Class WILLIAM L. AUSTIN, (37015720), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Edgerton, Kansas.

2 February 1945

— Private First Class OLEN C. BRASWELL, (34114356), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Martville, North Carolina.

— Private First Class ELBERT G. CHRISTIAN, (6272242), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Groveton, Texas.

— Second Lieutenant WILLIAM P. CURRIAN, (O-2043177), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Worcester, Massachusetts.

— Technical Sergeant KENNETH C. JONES, (6581953), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

— Corporal ROFFAT G. LITTLE, (32832229), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Springbrook, New York.

— Private First Class VINCENT J. MOBILIO, (32989714), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: New York, New York.

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I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against Japanese forces at Ison, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

1 February 1945

Second Lieutenant ROBERT I. GREEN, (O-1307402), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Butler, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JOHNNY HICKS, (36264083), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: East Bernstadt, Kentucky.

Private First Class STERLING G. KLINE, (33829626), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Easton, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade MOLLAND C. LAEUPPLE, (37164147), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: McIntosh, Minnesota.

Private First Class DONALD M. McPHERSON, (37674605), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Clinton, Iowa.

Private First Class CHESTER A. PLODZIEN, (36693968), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class DONALD P. STEWART, (39295662), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Van Nuys, California.

Technician Fifth Grade JERRY R. WYNIA, (37037241), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Springfield, South Dakota.

3 February 1945

Private First Class WALTER M. HALLAS, (11011573), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

Staff Sergeant GEORGE S. WALL, (6946166), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Washington Borough, Pennsylvania.

5 February 1945

Lieutenant Colonel FRANCIS P. CARBERY, (O-384210), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New Haven, Connecticut.

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Private ROBERT E. HARRISON, (34891819), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: West Asheville, North Carolina.

Private First Class ERNEST W. JOHNSON, (35387792), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pickens, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade WENDELL L. JORGENSEN, (20914616), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Ogden, Utah.

Technical Sergeant WILLIAM F. MOYLE, (39076462), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sonora, California.

Technician Fourth Grade GRANT W. RICHARDS, (39300912), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Camas, Washington.

10 February 1945

Private First Class VERNON C. NIELSEN, (39915848), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Provo, Utah.

Private First Class ROY J. FOSTER, (38563706), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Stonewall, Oklahoma.

Citation Amended to read 28 Jan 1945 by 20 430 25 Aug 45
Private First Class WALLACE C. RICHARDSON, (1705043), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hastings, Minnesota.

II. AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.--so much of General Orders No. 10, this headquarters, as, as pertains to Award of the Purple Heart to Private ALBERT N. WALL, (14062672), Infantry, Army of the United States is amended to read Private ALBERT N. WALL, (14062672), Field Artillery, United States Army.

By command of Major General TULLINS:

THOMAS H. STARK,
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I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Second Lieutenant CECIL R. LAMB, (O-1315569), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, 27 January 1945. Lieutenant Lamb, Platoon Leader of an infantry company engaged in action against the Japanese forces, without regard for his own personal safety, went to the aid of a wounded soldier and carried him to a place of safety in the face of heavy enemy mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire. Although himself wounded during this action, Lieutenant Lamb refused evacuation and medical treatment until he had supervised the successful withdrawal of his platoon. The gallant actions and unselfish devotion to duty of Second Lieutenant Lamb were an inspiration to his entire platoon. Home Address: Mrs. Marvel Lamb (wife), 86 Third Street, Independence, Oregon.

Private First Class CHARLES STONE, (34775872), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. Private Stone, Basooca man of an infantry anti-tank company, in the face of heavy enemy rifle, machine gun, and tank fire, aided in pushing an anti-tank gun across an open field to a position where it could help in repelling an attack in force by an enemy armored column. When wounded during this action, Private Stone refused evacuation to the rear, stayed in position and aided in destroying three enemy tanks. The actions of Private First Class Stone contributed greatly to the morale of our forces. Home Address: Faye S. Smith (Sister), 180 Center Street, Clemerton, North Carolina.

II. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Private First Class EVERETT E. BRUNER, (35933162), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. Private Bruner, without regard for his own

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personal safety, drove his vehicle pulling an anti-tank gun toward approaching enemy tanks. When forced by heavy machine gun and 47mm gun fire from the approaching tanks to pull off the road, he then helped the gun crew push the anti-tank gun across an open field under enemy fire and set it in position. Then, acting as a rifleman, Private First Class Bruner aided in repelling an attack by five enemy foot soldiers, thus enabling the gun crew to fire their weapon without interruptions. Home Address: Mrs. Catherine Bruner (Mother), General Deliver, Pineville, Kentucky.

Corporal CHARLES COONS, JR., (20268701), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. Corporal Coons, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, helped to set up an anti-tank gun in an open field in the face of enemy tank, machine gun, and rifle fire. The cool judgment and accurate fire of Corporal Coons enabled the gun crew to knock out three enemy tanks, destroying their crews, and was an inspiration to all who witnessed the action. Home Address: Mrs. Charles Coons, Sr., (Mother), 69 Mansion Street, Coxsackie, New York.

Private First Class EARNEST V. DANIELS, JR., (38480349), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January, 1945. Private Daniels, radio operator of an anti-tank company, without regard for his own personal safety and on his own initiative, attached himself to an anti-tank gun crew as a rifleman. He helped push the gun by hand 50 yards across an open rice field and assisted in putting it into action in the face of heavy enemy machine gun and 47mm fire from approaching tanks. When the crew of a knocked-out enemy tank charged the gun position, Private First Class Daniels calmly fired his rifle and killed three of the enemy, thereby protecting and inspiring the crew of the anti-tank gun. Home Address: Mrs. Thelma Daniels (Mother), Route 3-A, Rusk, Texas.

Second Lieutenant JORDAN L. EPPERSON, (O-2048903), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the period 27 January 1945 to 3 February 1945, Lieutenant Epperson displayed unselfish courage and devotion to his duties as Assistant Battalion Surgeon of an infantry unit engaged in action against the enemy, by personally directing the evacuation of our wounded in full view and under direct fire from enemy machine guns, artillery, rifles, and mortars. The coolness, foresight, and untiring leadership of Second Lieutenant Epperson greatly inspired the aid men working under him thereby aiding greatly in the speedy evacuation of the wounded. Home Address: Mrs. Louise M. Whaley (Mother), RD #2, Box 553, Joplin, Missouri.

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Corporal WALTER F. GRAMZA, (32130193), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. Corporal Gramza, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, helped to set up an anti-tank gun in an open field in the face of enemy tank, machine gun, and rifle fire. The cool judgment and accurate direction of fire by Corporal Gramza enabled the gun crew to knock out three enemy tanks, destroying their crews, and was in inspiration to all who witnessed the action. Home Address: Mrs. C. Gramza (Sister), 355 Olmstead Avenue, Depew, New York.

Sergeant ACHLEE C. ROGERS, (34260769), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Sergeant Rogers, with total disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy rifle, machine gun, and mortar fire, went to the aid of a seriously wounded comrade lying in an open rice field and assisted in removing him to a place of cover where first aid could be administered. The courage and cool conduct of Sergeant Rogers was a constant inspiration to the members of his platoon. Home Address: Mrs. Mattie S. Rogers, (Mother), RFD #1, Ashland, Alabama.

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RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS.	II

I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

21 January 1945

Private First Class JAMES S. COX, (14018278), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Erwin, North Carolina.

23 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN H. DAVIS, (3291566E), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jersey City, New Jersey.

26 January 1945

Staff Sergeant EUGENE R. BINK, (20934576), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Phoenix, Oregon.

Technician Fourth Grade HENRY L. JENKINS, (39671477), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Bluebell, Utah.

Private ELWIN C. LANZ, (34794695), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Searcy, Arkansas.

Private First Class MERICO LUCCI, (35547913), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mishawaka, Indiana.

27 January 1945

Corporal HOWELL F. COTTON, (38037464), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Paris, Texas.

Technical Sergeant JOHN HOFFERT, (39378796), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Yakima, Washington.

Corporal LEONARD C. SMITH, (20943978), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Yakima, Washington.

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28 January 1945

Sergeant PAUL ANDERSON, (20942345), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Spokane, Washington.

Private First Class WILLIAM D. CLARK, (33524711), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Richmond, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT G. GRANGER, (20944336), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Boach, Washington.

Private First Class JAMES J. MATTMAN, (20934323), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

Private First Class OLIVER J. PRICE, (37143829), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Buffalo, Wyoming.

Sergeant RODERICK K. WILSON, (35207738), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Henderson, West Virginia.

7 February 1945

Private First Class JOHN M. MOLINA, (39135318), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Jose, California.

Private First Class GEORGE RODRIGUEZ, (39136682), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Jose, California.

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II. RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS.--So much of General Orders No. 8, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the award of The Purple Heart to Staff Sergeant CHARLES R. DICK, (37085246), Infantry, was erroneously made and is revoked.

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Section

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER) I
AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART. II

I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded to them by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders shown after their name, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to each of the following enlisted men by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

18 January 1945

Staff Sergeant CHARLES R. DICK, (37085246), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lander, Wyoming. (Section I, page 1, General Orders No. 47, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 13 December 1943).

24 January 1945

Staff Sergeant FLOYD B. TALEMAN, (20944099), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Granite Falls, Washington. (Section II, page 3, General Orders No. 40, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 26 August 1943).

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

3 February 1945

Private First Class ROY M. ARTHUR, (3870960), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lingleville, Texas.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM B. GORDON, (0-1312413), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: El Monte, California.

Technician Fifth Grade MAX E. KWIAKOWSKI, (36235836), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Sergeant GERARD E. LAVALLEE, (20203355), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gloversville, New York.

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4 February 1945

Private First Class JESUS G. ALCALA, (37504026), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Topeka, Kansas.

Private First Class BERT J. ALLMAN, (35709464), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Seymour, Indiana.

Private First Class ROBERT H. BATES, (39212042), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mount Vernon, Washington.

Private First Class CHANDIS W. BERRYHILL, (39039401), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oakland, California.

Private First Class MARION F. BOWLING, (38100206), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dalhart, Texas.

Sergeant BRUCE BOYDSTON, (38082014), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jayton, Texas.

First Sergeant DEWITT BROWN, (6251865), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Private First Class LEWIS E. BROWN, (39136792), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oakland, California.

Private First Class MERTON G. ESKO, (37117188), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Esko, Minnesota.

Private First Class FRANK A. FAITH, (15101918), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Emerson, Indiana.

Technical Sergeant KELLY GECSEI, (35002396), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Congo, Ohio.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945.

First Lieutenant CLEO G. DAVIS, (O-446024), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Paden, Oklahoma.

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~~Sergeant ERIC T. GROVES, (39252334), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Malden, Massachusetts.~~

Private First Class ALMA L. JARRETT, (34338348), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bridgeport, Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade ORAL B. JENSEN, (37176524), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Pelican Rapids, Minnesota.

Captain LOUIS J. KIDHARDT, (O-1283443), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Claremont, New Hampshire.

Private First Class BURL J. KRECKLOW, (37482127), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Glenwood, Iowa.

Private First Class DONALD A. LANGFIELD, (37567460), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class PIER LASKOVICH, (13011364), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wildwood, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DANIEL LIPSON, (32502386), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New York, New York.

Sergeant JOHN C. LUCAS, (12018598), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Halcott Center, New York.

Staff Sergeant DANIEL J. MAC DONALD, (6546967), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Private First Class GEORGE MATZURAS, (13026828), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chester, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class HOWARD E. NICHOLS, (36402176), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pioneer, Ohio.

Corporal JOHN C. GATES, (38082789), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Paxton, Texas.

Private First Class JOHN H. E. TRUDINSKI, (37616921), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Louis, Missouri.

Private First Class CHARLES R. WILSON, (38346681), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Anton, Texas.

Private First Class HARRY R. WILSON, (42002671), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Union City, New Jersey.

Private First Class JOHNIE R. WILSON, (38433387), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Teague, Texas.

Private First Class MADISON C. YORK, (38285506), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Spanish Fort, Texas.

Private First Class EMMEL C. LARSON, JR., (39920191), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Price, Utah.

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SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award	II
SILVER STAR--Awards	III

I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

✓ Technician Fifth Grade JOHN A. JONES, (37178496), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 2 February 1945, Technician Fifth Grade Jones, attached as an aid man to an infantry company, with utter disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy machine gun, rifle, and grenade fire, went to the aid of two wounded men and administered first aid under most difficult conditions. In so doing, Technician Fifth Grade Jones lost his own life, but, through his actions, so inspired his unit that they were able to gain their objective. Next of Kin: Mrs. Lena Jones (Mother), 211 Eleventh Street, N.W., Rochester, Minnesota.

II. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER):--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Technician Fifth Grade Orville Cox, 35451667, by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 429, Headquarters USAFISPA, 22 January 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

✓ Technician Fifth Grade ORVILLE COX, (35451667), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Cox, aid man for an infantry company, without regard for his own personal safety and on his own initiative, in the face of heavy enemy small arms fire, went to the aid of a wounded man and carried him to a place of cover where he administered first aid that was instrumental in saving the wounded man's life. Technician Fifth Grade Cox during the entire action continuously exposed himself to enemy fire in order to give aid to the wounded, and was a source of inspiration to all who witnessed his deeds. Home Address: Alma Cox (Mother), Route #2, New Richmond, Ohio.

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III. SILVER STAR:—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, MD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant VICTOR A. BIEGANOWSKI, (12023166), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 January 1945. In the face of an enemy artillery barrage and with utter disregard for his own personal safety, Sergeant Bieganowski went to the aid of a wounded comrade and carried him to a place of cover in a nearby ditch. After making the wounded man as comfortable as possible, he then carried out his duties of platoon guide in a superior manner. When the enemy artillery barrage shifted to the ditch in which the wounded man lay, Sergeant Bieganowski again entered the barrage area and carried the wounded man 150 yards away to where a litter squad could care for him. During the entire action, Staff Sergeant Bieganowski's coolness and calmness under fire was an inspiration to his entire platoon. Home Address: Mr. George Bieganowski (Father), 111 Gertrude Avenue, Salvoy, New York.

Private First Class GERALD DIPANO, (32916384), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 January 1945. Private Dipano, aid man of an infantry company engaged in action against the enemy, without regard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy rifle and grenade fire, went to the aid of a wounded soldier. While advancing to the wounded man's position, Private Dipano was himself wounded in the back and legs. Disregarding his own wounds, he managed to reach the wounded man, drag him to safety and administer first aid before tending to his own wounds. The actions of Private First Class Dipano were an inspiration to all who witnessed his deeds. Home Address: Mrs. Jennie Dipano (Mother), 133 Sanford Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

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SILVER STAR--Posthumous awards	I
SILVER STAR--Award	II
BRONZE STAR--Award	III

I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

✓ Private First Class EDWARD A. HARZEWSKI, (36878199), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Private Harzewski, with utter disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy artillery, machine gun, mortar, grenade, and rifle fire, went to the aid of a wounded soldier and attempted to remove him to a place of cover. In so doing, Private First Class Harzewski was instantly killed by an enemy hand grenade. Next of Kin: Mary Harzewski (Wife), 473 Cecil Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

✓ Private First Class BILLY R. MCKEE, (35768456), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Private McKee, with utter disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy machine gun, mortar, and rifle fire, went to the aid of a wounded soldier and aided in removing him to a place of cover. In so doing, Private First Class McKee was killed by an enemy sniper. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mary Lee McKee (Mother), Davy, West Virginia.

II. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

✓ Sergeant JOHN M. GANOVSKY, (33138065), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Sergeant Ganovsky, with utter disregard for his own personal safety and in the face of heavy enemy machine gun, mortar and rifle fire, went to the aid of a fatally wounded soldier and assisted in removing him to a place of cover. The fearlessness and coolness of Sergeant Ganovsky while under enemy fire were an inspiration to his unit. Home Address: Mrs. Pauline Ganovsky (Mother), Perkiomenville, Pennsylvania.

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III. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

✓ Sergeant JOHN CHARNEY, (31042270), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 and 29 January 1945. During this period Sergeant Charney displayed exceptional calmness and courage in the face of great odds by directing the fire of his M-7 tank destroyer against the night attack of an enemy armored column. Although himself and three members of his crew were wounded during the attack, Sergeant Charney continued in action and succeeded in destroying two enemy tanks. Home Address: Mrs. Veronica Charney (Mother), RFD #2, Stepney Depot, Connecticut.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.	II

I. AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded Private First Class AUGUSTINE CONTRERAS, (39152741), Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division as published in section I, page 1, General Orders No. 42, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 4 September 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945.

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

17 January 1945

Technical Sergeant ROY T. E. PONDER, (14020802), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Greer, South Carolina.

20 January 1945

Private First Class JAMES E. CALLIGAN, (31064372), Signal Corps, United States Army. Home Address: Leominster, Massachusetts.

Sergeant WOODROW J. MORIN, (19054573), Signal Corps, United States Army. Home Address: Missoula, Montana.

24 January 1945

Private First Class LEMUEL L. FATE, JR., (35148666), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Shirley, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade ELMER R. WILDE, (39376662), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Judson, North Dakota.

25 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN A. BELLEJOSE, (31269877), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

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Private First Class LOUIS M. MURRAY, (20934423), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Tacoma, Washington.

Private First Class HENRY S. PEPION, (39619342), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Browning, Montana.

26 January 1945

Private First Class JAMES OLVEY, (35148656), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Anderson, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant BASIL M. POLF, (20944031), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Prosser, Washington.

27 January 1945

Sergeant CHARLES E. LEE, (18063068), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Muenster, Texas.

28 January 1945

Private First Class OSWALD E. HAZELTON, (6982727), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Glenside Gardens, New Jersey.

Corporal STEPHEN C. PICKERING, (39915556), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Copperton, Utah.

Private First Class ANTONIO SALVETO, (11024896), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Waltham, Massachusetts.

Second Lieutenant LOUIS A. VIGGLINO, (O-1313827), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: New York, New York.

7 February 1945

Staff Sergeant VERNON V. BULL, (39231458), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Los Angeles, California.

Private BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, (39009246), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Mershon, Georgia.

Private First Class SAM SUSMAN, (39231638), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: North Hollywood, California.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

4 February 1945

Private First Class ARTHUR V. CRETO, (31370103), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Somerville, Massachusetts.

5 February 1945

Staff Sergeant JAMES N. AIKEN, (7033028), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Connelly Springs, North Carolina.

Second Lieutenant FREDRICH S. AUSTIN, (O-1315761), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Private First Class INDOLPH J. BUCH, (12025741), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Brooklyn, New York.

Private First Class EUGENE F. BUNCH, (36640725), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class WALTER A. GAETHLE, (19006240), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Vancouver, Washington.

Private GEORGE C. GAITHER, (38589993), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Morris, Oklahoma.

Private First Class EDWIN L. KOSECK, (36638497), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant ROBERT M. RENZELMAN, (18070224), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Wray, Colorado.

Private First Class JOSEPH L. REZAB, (37567709), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Winona, Minnesota.

Private First Class PETER D. ROPIELIJE, (36868073), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class EMMETT L. RYAN, (33153711), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Gastonsville, Pennsylvania.

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✓ Private LEONARD W. SIRBAUGH, (35213003), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Petersburg, West Virginia.

✓ Sergeant GRADY L. SOUTH, (34163476), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Atmore, Alabama.

✓ Private First Class LEON STRIGIOTTE, (7071692), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Niagara Falls, New York.

✓ Private First Class WILLIAM H. THOMAS, JR., (14200552), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Georgetown, South Carolina.

✓ Private First Class RAY E. TWIST, (37703106), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lamar, Colorado.

✓ Private First Class DELYN R. VOILES, (37572604), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Calvin, North Dakota.

✓ Sergeant ROBERT L. WEBB, (14012591), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pinetops, North Carolina.

✓ Private First Class ARTHUR L. WIGHT, (6153665), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Malden, Massachusetts.

✓ Private First Class WILLIAM T. WILLIAMS, (34892142), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Morgantown, North Carolina.

✓ Private First Class LYLE W. WOOD, (37472646), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Grand Island, Nebraska.

7 February 1945

✓ Private First Class LELAN GORDON, (39918040), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Orem, Utah.

✓ Private First Class VICTOR STARESHEFSKY, (32987960), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: New York, New York.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945.

Private First Class CALVIN B. ANDERSON, (37567525), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Belleplaine, Minnesota.

Private First Class CHARLES BURCHA, (13025434), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JAKE E. DALE, (34191008), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Turtletown, Tennessee.

Second Lieutenant HAROLD C. ELL, (O-1321760), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Columbus, Ohio.

Private First Class WILLIAM P. ESPE, (37673634), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Sioux City, Iowa.

Staff Sergeant GLENN E. FORSLUND, (39525919), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Puyallup, Washington.

Private First Class MILTON I. GOLDBERG, (6982873), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Newark, New Jersey.

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~~*Staff Sergeant WALTER C. HARR, (7082757), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Dunn, North Carolina.~~

Private First Class BILL L. HEALDY, (37530359), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Coffeyville, Kansas.

Private First Class JOHN L. HOWELL, (13000037), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Houston, Texas.

Private First Class JOSEPH G. KALNY, (37236318), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Kansas City, Kansas.

Private First Class ORVILLE C. LEE, (37316215), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Private First Class ROBERT D. MEYER, (39333643), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Vancouver, Washington.

Private First Class ADAM MILLER, (38412358), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Beaumont, Texas.

Private First Class EARL L. MILLER, (37356874), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pinedale, Wyoming.

Private First Class GALE A. NICHOLS, (37673422), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Waterloo, Iowa.

Private First Class JOSEPH R. PEARCE, (34665238), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Zebulon, North Carolina.

Private First Class EDWIN L. ROCHESTER, (37676172), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sioux City, Iowa.

Sergeant FAYETTE ROGERS, (13036787), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pulaski, Virginia.

Private First Class EMIL E. SCHLAF, (39307997), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milwaukie, Oregon.

Private GLEN W. WISE, (39469109), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lacrosse, Washington.

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THOMAS N. STARK,
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I. SILVER STAR--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918) a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Technician Fifth Grade RAIPH A. DOCKHAM, (20902794), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Dockham volunteered to drive his jeep through point-blank fire of both enemy and friendly armor in order to rescue a wounded soldier. Though forced to abandon his vehicle before reaching the wounded man, he continued on foot and succeeded in moving the man to safety. By his timely action, without regard for his own personal safety, Technician Fifth Grade Dockham brought the wounded man to where he could be given the medical treatment necessary to save his life. Home Address: Dorothy V. Hicklin (Mother), 15159 Stagg Street, Van Nuys, California.

First Lieutenant IRA J. NELSON, (0-1300515), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, 2 February 1945. Lieutenant Nelson, weapons platoon leader of an infantry company, went forward on his own initiative and without regard for his own personal safety, across an open rice field in the face of heavy enemy machine gun fire, to a point in the enemy lines from where he could direct fire on enemy pill-boxes which were holding up the advance of his company. First Lieutenant Nelson, through his dauntless courage and aggressive leadership, greatly inspired all who witnessed his actions and was instrumental in aiding his company to gain its objective. Home Address: Mr. Joseph Nelson (Father), Chandler, Arizona.

II. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to First Lieutenant Robert W. Leonard, 0-1283451, by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 438, Headquarters USAFISPA, dated 14 December 1943, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant ROBERT W. LEONARD, (0-1283451), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Lieutenant Leonard, on his own initiative and without regard for his own personal safety, went to the aid of a wounded man and carried him to a place of safety, this being accomplished in the face of heavy enemy machine gun and rifle fire. First Lieutenant Leonard through his undaunted courage and devotion to duty was a contributing factor in inspiring his

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company to the successful accomplishment of their mission. Home Address: Mrs. Beatrice Leonard (Mother), River Road, Greenwich, Connecticut.

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Lieutenant Colonel John W. Ferris, O-19097, by the Commanding General, USAFISPA, as published in General Orders No. 63, Headquarters USAFISPA, dated 11 January 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN W. FERRIS, (O-19097), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 17 to 19 January 1945, inclusive, and at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 January 1945. Colonel Ferris, in complete disregard of his own safety, continuously moved among leading elements of an infantry unit to make personal reconnaissances for the prompt and efficient use of his battalion during the battles of Binalonan and San Manuel. On the night of 24 January 1945 when one of the forward artillery observers lost contact with his battery, due to a breakdown of radio equipment, Colonel Ferris personally went forward to insure that the replacement communication equipment reached the observer. While proceeding through a sniper covered zone Lieutenant Colonel Ferris was wounded by grenade fragments after having successfully completed his mission. Home Address: Mrs. Helen K. Ferris (Wife), 7307 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, Maryland.

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I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART. - Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

24 January 1945

First Lieutenant ROBERT F. LOWELL, (O-1181677), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Minneapolis, Minnesota. ✓

28 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN W. B. MAC PHERSON, (39043810), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oakland, California. ✓

6 February 1945

Private First Class CLIFFORD ANDERSON, (37568206), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Minneapolis, Minnesota. ✓

Private First Class MACK A. HOUSTON, (34739259), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Johnson City, Tennessee. ✓

Private First Class JOHN B. JOHNSON, (16054367), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Antlers, Oklahoma. ✓

Private First Class ISAC LARA, (38254321), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: San Antonio, Texas. ✓

Private First Class JAMES W. MCELIN, (38567254), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. ✓

Sergeant ERNEST L. MOBELND, (39303295), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Portland, Oregon. ✓

Staff Sergeant HENRY A. NOLAN, (33171395), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Langhorne, Pennsylvania. ✓

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Private First Class THURMAN O. RHODES, (18192309), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Private First Class GEORGE L. SCHUMM, (35527838), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kent, Ohio.

Private First Class JAMES F. WOOLISON, (37443184), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Vincon, Iowa.

7 February 1945

Private First Class JOHN J. DEROUEN, (14042552), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jeanorette, Louisiana.

Private RAYMOND OSTERMILLER, (37707444), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Morgan, Colorado.

8 February 1945

Private First Class SYLVESTER A. BIGGS, (37142103), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kingman, Kansas.

Private First Class EDMAN J. BYINGTON, (38598120), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Albion, Oklahoma.

Private THOMAS E. LEPOM, (37502074), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lowry, Missouri.

First Sergeant EMIL E. MATULA, (6275460), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Granger, Texas.

Technical Sergeant CHARLES L. McGAHA, (6925943), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Crosby, Texas.

II. ACTIVATION OF UNITS:

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III. REORGANIZATION OF IT:

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I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, posthumously to the following named officer:

Captain ARTHUR G. DEMAREST, (O-1166956), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Gonzales, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 January 1945. Captain Demarest, artillery forward observer, advanced alone under direct enemy mortar fire across an open field to a point from which he could observe the enemy and bring artillery fire upon them. Captain Demarest was mortally wounded as he occupied his position and began adjustment upon the enemy stronghold but his bold actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and an inspiration to all who saw him. Next of Kin: Mr. A. D. Demarest (Father), 25 East Passaic St., Maywood, New Jersey.

II. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade JOHN L. LAROCHE, (13008931), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Gonzales and Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 29 January 1945, Technician Fifth Grade LaRoche, without regard for his own personal safety, braved heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire to go to the aid of his battery commander, who lay mortally wounded in an exposed position, and removed him to a place of cover. On 4 February 1945 Technician Fifth Grade LaRoche assisted in the destruction of an enemy tank about to break through our front line positions. The fearlessness and coolness of Technician Fifth Grade LaRoche in the face of enemy fire was an inspiration to all who witnessed his deeds. Home address: Mrs. Pearl L. Gross (Mother), Route #2, Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class VESTAL S. SMITH, (34739597), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action near Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 11 January 1945 to 3 February 1945, inclusive. Private Smith, attached as aid man to an infantry company, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, went to the aid of a wounded man who lay in the firing lane of an enemy machine gun, and removed him to a position of relative safety. This one action characterized Private First Class Smith's courage and unselfish devotion to duty during the entire three day period of the action. Home address: Mrs. Durell N. Smith, (Wife), Route #5, Corinth, Mississippi.

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Staff Sergeant FRANK VACA, (6261194), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Gonzales, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 January 1945. Sergeant Vaca, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, ran across an open rice field being swept by enemy fire to assist in the rescue of his battery commander who lay wounded in full view of the enemy and aided in removing him to a place of cover. Home address: Mrs. Gertrude Vaca (Mother), 114 East Fest St., San Antonio, Texas.

III. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, posthumously to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class BENJAMIN AUBIN, (31263506), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Villegas, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Private Aubin, in the face of heavy enemy small arms, mortar, and artillery fire, although wounded himself, refused to be evacuated to a safer area and voluntarily returned to duty with his mortar squad and remained with them until mortally wounded by enemy fire. Through his unselfish devotion to duty Private First Class Aubin inspired his section to greater effort in supporting the withdrawal of a trapped rifle company. Next of Kin: Mr. John Aubin (Father), 39 Lagrange St., Lowell, Massachusetts.

Private First Class JOSEPH J. CERKLEFSKIE, (6893696), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 February 1945. Private Cerklefskie, a member of an artillery forward observation party, aided by a single infantryman, covered the withdrawal of an infantry platoon pinned down in an open field by heavy enemy rifle and machine gun fire. Next of Kin: Mrs. Tillie Cerklefskie (Mother), 251 South Vine St., Shamokan, Pennsylvania.

IV. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant FLETCHER A. PRICE, (34213046), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. Sergeant Price, with total disregard of his own personal safety, carried wire to a forward observation party under most unfavorable conditions and in the face of heavy enemy artillery and mortar fire. Disregarding lack of concealment and the excellent visibility of the enemy force, Sergeant Price established an important link in communications that was vital to the success of the mission. Home address: Mrs. Eva Blake Price (Mother), Box #65, Medale, North Carolina.

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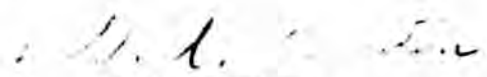
Private First Class JOHN T. SHELLEY, JR., (38096903), Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Private Shelley, jeep-ambulance driver for an infantry battalion aid station, voluntarily evacuated a number of seriously wounded patients across open ground commanded by enemy tanks and small arms fire. The devotion to duty exhibited by Private First Class Shelley enabled the aid station to be rapidly cleared of patients and was instrumental in assuring the speedy return of seriously wounded patients to the rear areas. Home address: Mr. John T. Shelley, Sr., (Father), Route #2, Teague, Texas.

Private First Class WILLIAM R. SWARBERG, (20914132), Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 January 1945. Private Swarberg, jeep-ambulance driver for an infantry battalion aid station, voluntarily evacuated a number of seriously wounded patients across open ground commanded by enemy tanks and small arms fire. The devotion to duty exhibited by Private First Class Swarberg enabled the aid station to be rapidly cleared of patients and was instrumental in assuring the speedy return of seriously wounded patients to the rear areas. Home address: Mrs. Irene P. Swarberg, (Wife), 980 East Orange Grove, Pasadena, California.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Captain AUGUST M. BONDI (O-326290), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 December 1944 to 19 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Tennie Z. Bondi (Mother), 409 N. Broad St., Galesburg, Illinois.

Master Sergeant CHARLIE W. DURHAM (6277971), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of his duties from 15 October 1944 to 15 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Eva Mae Thornton (Sister), Route #3, DeKalb, Texas.

Major WALTER N. GULETSKY (O-21309), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mr. Nicholas Guletsky (Father), 28 Bradford Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Sergeant MARION W. HARTSOE (34212279), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 21 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Lillie B. Hartsoe (Mother), 209 Dilling St., Kings Mountain, North Carolina.

Major BRUCE D. JONES (O-391918), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of duties from 1 November 1944 to 15 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. B.D. Wiltshire (Mother), 3707 Victor Avenue, Oakland, California.

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Major THORNTON E. JONES (O-301779), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 11 January 1945 to 22 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Floyd V. Jones (Mother), South 627 Bernard St., Spokane, Washington.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade URBAN D. KAPLER (W-2129645), United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 December 1944 to 17 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Adolph Kapler (Father), Hudson, Iowa.

Captain JOHN F. KELLER (O-404775), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Ethel Keller (Wife), 86 Joslyn Place, Rochester, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE G. KERBER (34290518), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of duties from 19 November 1944 to 17 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: John Kerber (Father), 5458 St. Claude Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

First Lieutenant JOHN W. LANGDON (O-1576274), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of his duties from 15 November 1944 to 15 February 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mr. James F. Langdon (Father), 4640 Sheridan Blvd., Denver, Colorado.

Chief Warrant Officer ODUS H. LEMAY (W-2123412), United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 10 December 1944 to 18 February 1945 in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Mattie Lemay (Mother), Route #1, Louisville, Arkansas.

Technical Sergeant LESTER S. LINTON (13001295), Ordnance Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of duties from 1 November 1944 to 13 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Lester G. Linton, (Father), 1027 N. Market Street, Frederick, Maryland.

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Staff Sergeant EARL W. MATHES (33142237), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of his duties from 21 October 1944 to 18 January 1945 in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Thomas Mathes (Mother), 945 E. Russell St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Major GERARD G. MILLER (O-450398), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Leona M. Bartelson (Mother), 1123 Eggleston Ave., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Captain BRUCE D. MOORE (O-1010272), Inspector General's Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 November 1944 to 17 December 1944, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Eleanor S. Moore (Wife), 6619 N. Fairfield Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Major FERDINAND P. MUELLER (O-396803), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of duties from 1 December 1944 to 18 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy M. Mueller (Wife), 813 S. Hillside St., Wichita, Kansas.

Captain ROBERT L. STEVENS (O-1290493), Adjutant General's Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of duties from 18 November 1944 to 17 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Doris P. Stevens (Wife), 1123 Beacon Street, East Chicago, Indiana.

Major JOSEPH L. SWARTHOUT (O-413365), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 December 1944 to 23 January 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mr. Minor E. Swarthout, Jr. (Father), 1 Liberty Park, Hammondsport, New York.

Captain LESLIE T. WELSH (O-1576794), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 15 November 1944 to 15 January 1945 in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Ethel A. Hill (Mother), 1380 Park Avenue, Long Beach, California.

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First Lieutenant HARRY T. WHITAKER (O-2043062), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 20 November 1944 to 10 February 1945, in connection with the amphibious operation of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Rubie P. Whitaker (Wife), 505 E. Main Street, Stugis, South Dakota

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
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I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

23 January 1945

Private First Class EMIL A. DIERCYS, (3756643), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Stowa, Colorado.

24 January 1945

Private First Class BERNARDINO GONZALES, (38348126), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Private First Class DONALD B. GULLINGS, (37566643), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Maple Lake, Minnesota.

Sergeant ELIJAH S. HERRIN, (34139647), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Anguilla, Mississippi.

Private First Class DOUGLAS R. JOHNSON, (37356804), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Green River, Wyoming.

Private First Class EDWARD S. KOZICKI, (13003889), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gallitzin, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant JAMES C. MOUNCE, (20942692), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Spokane, Washington.

Technical Sergeant ANTHONY T. O'DONNELL, (37144692), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: McCune, Kansas.

Private First Class FRANK S. PERANGILO, (37506588), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ribbing, Minnesota.

26 January 1945

Private First Class MARD S. BURNS, (39619117), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Decker, Montana.

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GO 33, Bq 25th Ind Div, 25 Feb 45, continued.

Private First Class GLEN EVANS, (37567243), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lake Crystal, Minnesota.

Private First Class WILBUR C. KILLINGER, (37567440), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: South St. Paul, Minnesota.

Private First Class GLEN S. SCOTT, (37529905), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Scott, Kansas.

Private First Class LELAND W. SECOR, (37672794), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Des Moines, Iowa.

27 January 1945

Technical Sergeant C. LYLE E. MAGSDALE, (20943487), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Port Orchard, Washington.

28 January 1945

First Sergeant FOREST E. MEYER, (20943474), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Colfax, Washington.

1 February 1945

Private First Class LEONICE H. BRADEN, (34687449), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jesup, Georgia.

Sergeant EARL F. NEEDHAM, (15050050), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Pomeroy, Ohio.

2 February 1945

Private First Class FORD BARNETT, (1506768N), Cavalry, United States Army. Home Address: Lost Creek, Kentucky.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

29 January 1945

Private First Class HOLLIE B. MADE, (38084637), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Calhan, Colorado.

30 January 1945

Private First Class WESLEY G. SCHIEFFER, (37704221), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Loveland, Ohio.

1 February 1945

Captain LLOYD W. JOHNSON, (0-305727), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Cordell, Oklahoma.

2 February 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH F. DENKOSKE, (20129585), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Meriden, Connecticut.

Private First Class SEBASTIAN LATINA, (31042414), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wolcott, Connecticut.

Private First Class RICHARD D. BRYMAN, (35876619), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

3 February 1945

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM L. ALEXANDER, (38371996), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Snyder, Texas.

Private First Class HARVEY BONIE, (14004327), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Waterloo, South Carolina.

Private First Class JAMES A. CAMPBELL, (39411671), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Soulsbyville, California.

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GO #34, Hq 25th Inf Div, 26 Feb 45, continued.

Technician Fifth Grade J. B. DODSON, (34185788), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Allgood, Tennessee.

Private First Class THE HURL, (35224367), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Crestline, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD M. KING, (11020696), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Boston, Massachusetts.

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* Private First Class GERALD H. M. McGUIRE, (37673477), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: ~~Blco, Texas.~~ LENTON, IOWA.

Private First Class PETER PETRUCK, JR., (13007606), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DALL H. SPALLEY, (37472880), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Butte, Nebraska.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH J. ZUPAN, (13009813), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Daisytown, Pennsylvania.

4 February 1945

Private First Class LEO F. BOROWICZ, (33159620), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Erie, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LEOPOLDO O. CARRILLO, (39103537), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Spreckles, California.

Private First Class HORACE HERNANDEZ, (38091178), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Antonio, Texas.

Sergeant BENNY LUBINSKY, (33159364), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Irwin, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JAMES E. WOEST, (36804499), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

By command of Major General HULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
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RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS	II

I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-46, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

27 January 1945

First Lieutenant DAVID H. JONES, (O-1298547), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Saratoga Springs, New York.

4 February 1945

Private JAMES H. BLACKWELL, (13015237), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Arista, West Virginia.

Corporal LEO J. A. BOURNAID, (6149339), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Caribou, Maine.

Private First Class JOSEPH A. DOTY, (13058420), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Erie, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant BASIL WATT, (19054563), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Ignatius, Montana.

Second Lieutenant JAMES H. BOARD, (O-444121), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Columbus, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant ELMER L. SHEA, (6972376), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sardis, Tennessee.

Second Lieutenant WAYNE E. STONES, (O-1314725), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Private First Class JAMES C. WEALENY, (33656550), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mount Jackson, Virginia.

6 February 1945

Private First Class J. I. PICKELSLER, (34824869), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mineralbluff, Georgia.

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GO #35, Hq 25th Inf Div, 27 Feb 45, continued.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD A. STEVENSON, (39073972), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Modesto, California.

Staff Sergeant RAY S. SUNDEY, (37171420), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Grand Forks, North Dakota.

9 February 1945

Private First Class ROBERT B. CORSON, (6996140), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

10 February 1945

Private First Class CAROLINE A. ALIBRANDO, (32955766), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Camden, North Carolina.

Staff Sergeant RUFUS V. COX, (38076986), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Threelinks, Kentucky.

Private First Class BILLIE A. EDDINGS, (34809057), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Adamsville, Alabama.

Private JOSEPH P. FRIEND, (11131815), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Danvers, Massachusetts.

Private First Class ROBERT J. HANES, (37521994), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lelay, Missouri.

Private First Class LAWRENCE A. HUBLEY, (31323233), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: North Whitefield, Maine.

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II. RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS.--So much of General Orders No. 22, this headquarters, as, as pertains to Award of the Purple Heart to Sergeant ERIC T. GROVES, (39252334), Infantry, was erroneously made and is revoked.

By command of Major General HULLINS:

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 28 Feb. 1945.

	Section
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BRONZE STAR--Awards	II
BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award	III

I. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER):--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Colonel Thomas N. Stark, O-10368, as published in General Orders No. 13, 25th Infantry Division, 7 February 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

Colonel THOMAS N. STARK (O-10368), General Staff Corps, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 and 24 January 1945. Colonel Stark voluntarily visited the command post of an infantry regiment to personally check the commanding officer's plan for the attack on San Manuel. The following morning, 24 January 1945, although subjected to light machine gun and rifle fire, Colonel Stark took position in an exposed observation post from where he studied the action for the entire morning. Expressing the fear that the attack was becoming disorganized he determined to visit the front. Upon reaching a company CP about 200 yards from the northwest edge of San Manuel and finding the regimental commander's plans for reorganization proceeding well, he checked closely on the plans for continuation of the attack. Through coolness, sound professional judgment, and complete disregard of personal danger, Colonel Stark was able to give the division commander a clear eye-witness report of the action, errors made in the initial attack, and suggestions as to how such could be avoided in the future. Home Address: Mrs. Thomas N. Stark (Wife), c/o National Savings and Trust Company, Washington, D.C.

II. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Major JOHN S. BENSON (O-373463), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 25 January to 28 January 1945. Home Address: Mrs. John S. Benson (Wife), 1 Center Circle, Towson Estates, Towson, Maryland.

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Technician Fourth Grade EUCLIDE J. BISHOP (11014282), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement against the Japanese forces near Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Technician Fourth Grade Bishop performed his duties as radio operator in a heroic manner by remaining in an exposed position for approximately three hours despite heavy enemy rifle, machine gun, and artillery fire, keeping his radio in operation to direct counter fire on the enemy. The devotion to duty and coolness displayed by Technician Fourth Grade Bishop while under fire aided materially in repulsing the enemy and was an inspiration to all who witnessed his action. Home address: Mr. Peter Bishop (Father), Box 156, Stockholm, Maine.

Technical Sergeant GLENN W. VOTE (35169454), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement against the Japanese forces at New Georgia, British Solomon Islands, from 1 August to 15 October 1943, inclusive, and at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 5 February 1945, inclusive. Home address: Mr. Delmar J. Vote (Father), 417 South Second Street, Boonville, Indiana.

Captain CHARLES M. B. WIPER, JR. (O-398230), Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces during the period 13 November 1944 to 24 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Josephine T. Wiper (Wife), Ansonia Hotel, New York City, New York.

III. BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER):--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Harrison K. Hines, O-464325, as published in General Orders No. 28, this headquarters, 13 June 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain HARRISON K. HINES (O-464325), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January 1945 to 28 January 1945. Home address: Mrs. E. A. Kanter (Mother), 61 Stengel Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 1 March 1945.

AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

18 January 1945.

First Lieutenant WALTER L. PETERSON, (O-387076), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

24 January 1945

Captain WALTER W. EGBERT, (O-2042953), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Seattle, Washington.

26 January 1945

First Lieutenant HENRY J. PHILLIPS, (O-1318696), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Long Island, New York.

28 January 1945

Captain HOWARD C. MURRAY, (O-400690), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bremerton, Washington.

1 February 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH R. BOYER, (33159128), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade IGNATIUS F. MEROHEL, (6853928), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Second Lieutenant HARRY ZAITITSKY, (O-1318949), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Butler, Pennsylvania.

2 February 1945

Private First Class FRANCIS IRWIN, (37544515), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Elbowoods, North Dakota.

Private First Class SILAS D. SOLDIER, (37487316), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Greenwood, South Dakota.

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Private First Class SAM TAYLOR, (14034745), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Edingburg, Texas.

3 February 1945

Private First Class PETER MIKULAK, (6910022), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

4 February 1945

Sergeant LAWRENCE J. BOOTON, (12225842), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: New York, New York.

Private First Class EARL L. BRADEN, (38160319), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Eagle Lake, Texas.

Private First Class HYDEN B. CLARK, (38300387), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Kemp, Texas.

Sergeant RICHARD C. DeSTEFANO, (32567754), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Newark, New Jersey.

Private First Class LELAND M. WEAVER, (14071574), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Wize, Mississippi.

Technical Sergeant JAMES B. WILLIAMS, (6983508), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Luzerne, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class WALTER W. WRIGHT, (31273630), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Helena, Texas.

Private First Class BERNARD A. ZOLLER, (37567561), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Soudan, Minnesota.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

29 January 1945

Private First Class WILLIAM J. GARVEY, (39460120), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Tacoma, Washington.

Private First Class WOMBLE KEY, (14008225), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Aiken, South Carolina.

1 February 1945

Staff Sergeant FREEMA H. JETER, (7083736), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Piney Flats, Tennessee.

Sergeant JAKE E. PIKE, (14038065), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Miami, Florida.

2 February 1945

Private First Class ROBERT L. CHALETTE, (39200575), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Seattle, Washington.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE F. CIBELAR, (35169109), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Indianapolis, Indiana.

3 February 1945

Private First Class GILBERT L. BENNETT, (6863062), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ashland, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ORAN V. HOLBROOK, (39316313), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Riverton, Oregon.

Private First Class EMERUEL MORGIO, (12193500), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

4 February 1945

Sergeant ALFIO V. DISPENZA, (6152340), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lawrence, Massachusetts.

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Private First Class JAMES A. GRAY, (19017663), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kent, Washington.

Private First Class FRED CIS H. HANKO, (36245530), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cazenovia, Wisconsin.

Private First Class STEVE KLEN, (36193345), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hesperia, Michigan.

Private First Class ROBERT G. JENSEN, (39203902), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Olympia, Washington.

Private DALE W. LEE, (37529978), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Del Paso City, California.

Private First Class ALBERT R. MARTINEZ, (6955808), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cottonwood, Arizona.

Private First Class DENNIS J. McGUIRE, (20126581), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New Haven, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT G. MIXER, (15013997), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant MICHAEL NEKLOS, (33171312), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant CECIL E. MOORE, (6399783), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Meridian, Massachusetts.

Technical Sergeant LOUIS J. ANUCCI, (32011989), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New York, New York.

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AMENDMENT OF GENERAL ORDER

So much of General Order 38, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, dated 1 March 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class Robert G. Jensen, 39 208 902, which reads for wounds received in action in Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 February 1945 is amended to read for wounds received in action in Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 February 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

W. A. Leary
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 1 March 1945.

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

4 February 1945

Sergeant HORACE STANBURY, (38072145), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Cisco, Texas.

Private First Class RICHARD C. TOFFTON, (13016608), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Norfolk, Virginia.

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~~Private First Class JAMES C. ..., (100100), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sweetwater, Tennessee.~~

Private First Class JOSEPH WOYNOVICK, (36647774), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

5 February 1945

Second Lieutenant LAWRENCE R. CHASE, (O-1306062), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bristol, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT E. GARNER, (12024570), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Union Point, Georgia.

Private First Class MARVIN L. HAESE, (36276815), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Private First Class DONALD J. HASEMEISTER, (36804290), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Baraboo, Wisconsin.

Private First Class HAROLD E. HALICKER, (37567582), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Owatonna, Minnesota.

Private First Class ORLAN R. HOOPER, (36450891), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Norway, Michigan.

Private First Class JOSEPH E. HRUZA, (37567292), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Faribault, Minnesota.

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Technician Fifth Grade CARLTON G. JONES, (13036780), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Norfolk, Virginia.

Private First Class DAVID T. KELLY, (37660884), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Blue Grass, Iowa.

Lieutenant Colonel DELBERT E. MUNSON, (0-23156), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Francisco, California.

Private First Class RICHARD O'DONNELL, (39619197), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Havre, Montana.

Private First Class HENRY J. SILVERTHORNE, (39601132), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: St. Ignatius, Montana.

Private First Class ELMER E. SNOWDEN, (37472675), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lexington, Nebraska.

Private First Class LAWRENCE J. SOKOLSKI, (3159739), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD SPON, (13013281), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sharon, Pennsylvania.

Corporal THADDEUS L. TIDWELL, (6277841), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Grapevine, Texas.

Corporal LLOYD M. WILLIAMS, (35806688), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Norwood, Ohio.

6 February 1945

Staff Sergeant VINCENT F. DALEY, (36806503), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Staff Sergeant MILLEN I. ERICKSON, (16020955), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

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HEADQUARTERS,
25th Infantry Division,
APO #25, 2 March 1945.

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SILVER STAR--Awards.	Section I
BRONZE STAR--Awards	II

I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private JIM W. LINDLEY (6587333), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 23 January 1945, Private Lindley was a member of a combat patrol whose mission was to secure and hold a position on the edge of San Manuel. When the patrol ran into heavy enemy machine gun and sniper fire, two of the leading members were wounded and the rest pinned down. Private Lindley, with utter disregard for his own safety, ran forward under intense sniper fire and rescued one of the wounded men who was unable to save himself. He then returned to his post and helped the patrol secure its position. The courage and initiative displayed by Private Lindley was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions. Home Address: Frank Lindley (Father), Route #3, Stockton, Missouri.

Private First Class HARRY E. LUBKE (37568078), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 24 January 1945, during the attack on San Manuel, Private Lubke, although himself wounded in action, carried a wounded comrade to safety. Suffering from loss of blood and too weak to operate his own automatic rifle, Private Lubke refused to be evacuated and instead secured a lighter weapon and continued the fight until his company's position was secured. The great courage and devotion to duty demonstrated by Private First Class Lubke was an inspiration to the rest of the men in his company. Home Address: Sophie Lubke (Mother), Route #2, Staples, Minnesota.

Corporal MICHELE ROSSI (12006197), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, 11 February 1945. Corporal Rossi, member of a combat patrol in contact with a small group of the enemy did, when all other attempts had failed, go to the rescue of a wounded guerrilla and succeeded in removing him to a place of cover. This courageous action by Corporal Rossi in leaving his place of safety and exposing himself to enemy fire was most exemplary and of great credit to the military service. Home Address: Canzio Rossi (Father), Scotch Plains, New Jersey.

II. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 14 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

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Corporal CECIL JOHNSON (37382903), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands. On 29 January 1945, during a crucial period in the fighting for San Manuel Corporal Johnson volunteered to help replenish the ammunition supply which was then in a depleted condition. The bravery and disregard for personal safety displayed by Corporal Johnson, in carrying ammunition close to enemy positions and exposed to enemy fire, aided materially in the successful defeat of the enemy. Home Address: William Johnson (Father), Toledo, Missouri.

First Lieutenant ROBERT F. LOWELL (O-1131677), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 January 1945. Lieutenant Lowell, artillery forward observer with an infantry company, remained at his post adjusting artillery fire while the main body of infantry withdrew from heavy concentrations of enemy fire of all types. The efficiency of Lieutenant Lowell's artillery adjustment resulted in a minimum number of casualties to our forces during the withdrawal. Although himself wounded, First Lieutenant Lowell refused evacuation until assured his adjustments were correct and in capable hands. Home Address: Mildred Lowell (Wife), 3550 N. Dupont, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

✓ Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES CANTRELL (O-22682), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in the Central, South, and Southwest Pacific Areas, from 1 October 1941 to 20 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Charles Cantrell (Wife), 1706 14th Avenue, Greeley, Colorado.

✓ Staff Sergeant WALTER F. LABENZ (36127742), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 and 28 January 1945. Staff Sergeant Labenz, on a patrol mission, located several areas in which enemy tanks and riflemen appeared to be assembling for a counter-attack against a roadblock maintained by our forces. Reporting to the commanding officer of the infantry company, he brought first word of the imminent attack and directed artillery fire on the enemy area, resulting in the break-up of the attack and the disorganization of the enemy. Home Address: Mrs. Gertrude Labenz (Mother), 2594 Springle Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

✓ Lieutenant Colonel WALTER J. LARKIN (O-153379), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with the amphibious operation of the 25th Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 13 January 1945 to 10 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Walter J. Larkin (Wife), West Market Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

✓ Sergeant CECIL E. LEASE (37143254), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 19 January to 29 January 1945. For ten days Sergeant Lease led a reconnaissance patrol through strongly held enemy territory, keeping the enemy activities under constant surveillance and maintaining communication with his regimental command post. Information secured by Sergeant Lease resulted in the destruction, by aerial bombardment, of four strong enemy tank positions. Home Address: Mr. Elison C. Lease (Father), Fortescue, Missouri.

✓ Private First Class JACK A. MORGAN (39575252), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 and 28 January 1945. During the battle for San Manuel, Private Morgan, in addition to his normal duties as company runner, volunteered to drive a truck carrying ammunition to the front lines. During the night Private Morgan made seven trips, all under heavy enemy tank and machine gun fire. By his actions and with complete disregard for his own safety, Private First Class Morgan materially assisted in the successful

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routing of a Japanese counter-attack. Home Address: Mrs. Pauline Morgan (Wife), 2541 South Burnside, Los Angeles, California.

✓ Sergeant JACK P. PIDGEON (39103324), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 January 1945. When heavy fire from an enemy tank halted the advance of an infantry unit and seriously wounded a fellow soldier, Sergeant (then Corporal) Pidgeon turned his machine gun over to another member of his squad, rushed out in the face of the enemy fire, and without regard for his own personal safety, aided in the rescue of the wounded man. This courageous deed performed by Sergeant Pidgeon was an inspiration to the men of his company and contributed greatly to the morale of all concerned. Home Address: Mrs. Barbara Pidgeon (Wife), 243 East South Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

✓ Lieutenant Colonel WILBUR A. SWEETEN (O-460366), Adjutant General's Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the Central, South, and Southwest Pacific Areas during the periods 14 June 1942 to 31 March 1943 and from 15 May 1943 to 1 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Gladys M. Sweeten (Wife), 337 N. Keystone Street, Burbank, California.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

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I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, D, 1918) a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

Private JAMES T. McDONNELL (39418764), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese force at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. When the assault platoon of an infantry company attempted to advance across open territory swept by heavy enemy machine gun, mortar, and 47mm fire, three men were seriously wounded and lay in an exposed position within 75 yards of the enemy. Private McDonnell, aid man attached to the platoon, seeing their plight and fully aware of the dangers involved, unhesitatingly ran across the open field to their aid. Upon reaching their side and although in full view of the enemy, he immediately administered first aid to the most seriously wounded man and while so doing was killed by enemy machine gun fire. Private McDonnell's gallant and courageous performance to duty, with no thought for his own personal safety, was a credit to the service and an inspiration to his fellow soldiers. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mildred M. Brewer, (Mother), Sutter City, California.

II. BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9488, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Sergeant GEORGE L. CHATNEY (6121739), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in performance of his duties from 10 December 1944 to 10 February 1945 in connection with the amphibious operation of the 25th Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Maude B. Champney (wife), 411 Missouri Street, El Paso, Texas.

Captain LEIS G. COMPTON, JR. (O-351290), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of exceptional duties from 17 November to 29 November 1944 at Noumea, New Caledonia, and from 11 January to 15 January 1945 at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Home Address: Mrs. Hazel R. Compton (wife), 2515 Delwood Drive N.E., Atlanta, Georgia.

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Technical Sergeant ALBERT E. GLENN (6152324), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South Pacific Area from 17 December 1942 to 22 February 1945. During three campaigns against the Japanese forces at Guadalcanal and Vella Lavella, British Solomon Islands, and at Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Glenn has performed his duties as Battalion Operations Sergeant with superior efficiency and bravery, many times volunteering for missions not connected with his normal duties. His continued fidelity to duty and outstanding meritorious service has aided materially to the success of his unit. Home Address: Mr. John Glenn (Brother), 16 Union Street, Hopkinton, Massachusetts.

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* First Lieutenant GORDON H. KINGSTON (O-2047034), Medical Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February 1945 to 3 February 1945, inclusive. Lieutenant Kingston displayed unselfish courage and devotion to his duties by crossing open fields covered by heavy enemy fire in order to render first aid and to evacuate the wounded, even though suffering an attack of fever during this period. First Lieutenant Kingston's coolness under enemy fire and his courageous action was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions. Home Address: Mrs. Gordon H. Kingston (Wife), Agate, North Dakota.

Technician Third Grade WILLIAM C. LOFTY (15090948), Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. When an infantry company was pinned down by heavy enemy automatic fire and suffered numerous casualties Technician Third Grade Lofty, despite the fact two men had already been wounded in attempting to render aid to the men, volunteered to reach them, render first aid, and organize their evacuation. Safely negotiating the distance of 200 yards to where the wounded lay and disregarding the enemy fire, he administered morphine, applied tourniquets, and later aided in evacuating the wounded to a place of comparative safety. Technician Third Grade Lofty's actions were a credit to the service and an inspiration to his fellow soldiers. Home Address: Mrs. Charles Lofty (Mother), 227 5th Street, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Private First Class YOUNG A. MATICH (7024259), Infantry, United States Army, for his heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Pimienta, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 January 1945. Private Matich remained in an exposed position by his 81mm mortar under heavy enemy artillery, mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire, and continuously brought fire to bear upon the enemy for a period of three and one half hours. He also made several trips across open rice fields under enemy fire to replenish the ammunition supply. Private Matich's courageous actions contributed greatly to the morale of our troops. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Matich (Mother), 1741 Clearview Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

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✓ Captain KENNETH REUTLINGER (O-1011903), General Staff Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January 1945 to 27 February 1945. Captain Reutlinger, Assistant G-3 of an infantry division, in an outstanding performance of duty, displayed extraordinary initiative in repeatedly volunteering to visit the front lines of attacking troops to procure direct first-hand information for the Division Commander. By his keen judgment and his fearless and voluntary exposure to hostile fire of all types, Captain Reutlinger succeeded in furnishing information of critical value to the Division Commander. Home Address: Mrs. Stannye R. Reutlinger (Wife), Brownsboro Road, Louisville, Kentucky.

✓ Captain ROY G. ROBERTS (O-434853), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with the amphibious operations of the *** Infantry Division from Noumea, New Caledonia, to Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 November 1944 to 15 January 1945. Home Address: Mr. Roy C. Roberts (Father), 503 Tucker Street, McKinney, Texas.

✓ Warrant Officer Junior Grade CHARLES R. SENFF (W-2127163), United States Army, for meritorious achievement in the performance of his duties in the South Pacific Area from 17 December 1942 to 24 February 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Blanche L. Senff (Mother), Route #1, Chillicothe, Ohio.

✓ First Lieutenant BENJAMIN SLAVIN (O-1168467), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Caridad, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 January and 1 February 1945. Lieutenant Slavin, section officer of a field artillery battalion, completed a difficult night survey mission over country that had been but lightly covered by friendly patrols with the highest degree of accuracy obtainable. This survey was imperative for the accomplishment of the battalion's mission and was handled in a well-planned and organized manner despite the handicaps of time, terrain, and darkness. Home Address: Mrs. Ida Slavin (Mother), 960-15 Street, Newport News, Virginia.

✓ Captain NORMAN L. SMITH (O-380125), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands. During the period 11 January 1945 to 8 February 1945, Captain Smith, Intelligence officer of a field artillery battalion, performed his duties in an outstanding manner by conducting vigorous, continuous, and accurate reconnaissances, frequently in enemy-held territory, and clearly evaluating this information so that sound decisions could be based on it. Home Address: Mr. Elmer T. Smith, Route #3, Rochelle, Illinois.

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First Lieutenant BIVINGS F. WALLACE (O-1170420), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 11 January 1945 to 8 February 1945. Lieutenant Wallace, supply train commander of a field artillery battalion during a rapidly moving campaign, operated over extended supply lines and yet kept thousands of rounds of ammunition moving up to the firing batteries at all times. This outstanding performance called for energy, organizational ability and complete control of personnel, all of which First Lieutenant Wallace demonstrated in an outstanding manner. Home Address: Mrs. Gladys E. Thomas (Mother), 2224 Dymond Street, Burbank, California.

III. BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER):--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain Harry Linker, O-404210, as published in General Orders No 716, Headquarters USAFISPA, 9 May 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division; under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sect II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944). The citation is as follows:

Captain HARRY LINKER (O-404210), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 11 January 1945 to 3 February 1945. Captain Linker, then commanding officer of an infantry company, performed his duties in an exceptionally meritorious manner and displayed superb leadership in leading his company in an attack against the town of Umingan. Throughout the entire engagement, which lasted two days, Captain Linker remained at the front lines, reorganized his company, and led the final assault which ended the Japanese resistance. His coolness under fire and superb leadership was an inspiration to the men of his command. Home Address: Mrs. Harry Linker (wife), 154 Anorhe Street, Walla Walla, Washington.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

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I. SILVER STAR:--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant ELWYN D. ANDERSON (20935006), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 January 1945. Sergeant Anderson, having tended the wounded in his own sector of an infantry company's lines, volunteered to cross an open area covered by intense enemy fire to aid a wounded man, despite the fact he knew another aid man had just lost his life in the same area. Sergeant Anderson reached the wounded man, dressed his wounds, and was assisting in removing him to cover when he was himself knocked down by concussion from a mortar shell and had to be evacuated. Home Address: Mrs. Hazel Zinserling (Mother), Box 365, Jennings Lodge, Clackamas, Oregon.

Lieutenant Colonel CHARLES CANTRELL (C-22682), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 February 1945. Colonel Cantrell, without regard for his own personal safety, on his own initiative, and beyond his normal line of duty, exposed himself to intense enemy machine gun and rifle fire while successfully evacuating a wounded man who had lain in a ditch for over one half hour without medical treatment. Colonel Cantrell further exposed himself to enemy fire in order to direct accurate and effective artillery fire on the enemy positions. Through his gallant actions and coolness under fire, Lieutenant Colonel Cantrell was an inspiration to all who observed him. Home Address: Mrs. Charles Cantrell (Wife), 1706 14th Avenue, Greeley, Colorado.

Staff Sergeant RANDOLPH W. THOMPSON (39128259), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 January 1945. When the infantry company of which he was a member was pinned down by heavy enemy rifle and machine gun fire, one of the scouts was severely wounded while attempting to move out of the line of fire. Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) Thompson, alone and unaided, braved direct machine gun fire, to reach the wounded man. Staff Sergeant Thompson then crawled, dragging the wounded man with him, to a place of safety where skilled medical aid was administered saving the man's life. This courageous action by Staff Sergeant Thompson contributed greatly to the morale of our forces and was an inspiration to all. Home Address: Mrs. Ernestine E. Thompson (Wife), Box 183, Blue Lake, California.

Private First Class GEORGE T. WORLAND (20934918), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. Private Worland, with utter disregard for his own safety, left his place of cover to go to the aid of a wounded comrade who lay in line of the enemy fire. Private Worland safely reached

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the wounded man and dragged him to the shelter of a ruins where prompt medical attention resulted in the saving of his life. Private First Class Worland was himself wounded just as he reached the door of the ruins but his courageous action had contributed greatly to the morale of all concerned. Home Address: Mrs. Rosella Worland (Mother), 215 E.L., Grants Pass, Oregon.

Private First Class HUGH D. YOUNG (37529566), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. Private Young, acting as gunner on a 50 calibre machine gun, was faced by an advancing enemy tank. He fired his gun until it jammed and was ultimately destroyed by the tank. Remaining at his position, he was then attacked by four enemy riflemen, the first of whom he strangled. He then shot two of the others, and when his rifle jammed, bayoneted the remaining enemy soldier. Moving to a more tenable position he then carried on the fight, using hand grenades. This courageous action by Private First Class Young was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and aided materially in slowing down the enemy attack. Home Address: Mr. James B. Young (Father), Route #6, Paola, Kansas.

II. SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER):--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Technical Sergeant Hubert A. Santo, (39902090), as published in General Orders No. 487, Headquarters USAFISPA, 14 December 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bulletin 43, WD, 1918). The citation is as follows:

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~~Technical Sergeant HUBERT A. SANTO (39902090), Infantry, United States~~
Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 January 1945. Technical Sergeant Santo was placing the members of his platoon in position under fire. When a squad leader and automatic rifle team were caught in a pocket bracketed by mortar fire he calmly, and without regard for his own personal safety, exposed himself to draw the enemy fire and permit the withdrawal of his men to a more tenable position. In so doing, Sergeant Santo was seriously wounded by enemy mortar fragments. While the enemy were engaged in firing at Sergeant Santo the automatic rifle team withdrew without casualties to themselves and were then able to take up more favorable emplacements to secure the platoon's position. Technical Sergeant Santo's voluntary exposure to enemy fire was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ida Santo (Mother), 620 Ivy, Medford, Oregon.

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I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded to them by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders shown after their name, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to each of the following named officers by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

27 January 1945

First Lieutenant ROBERT WINKLER, (O-1288660), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: West Shokan, New York. (Section II, page 5, General Orders No. 2, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 6 January 1944).

6 February 1945

First Lieutenant DWIGHT H. JONES, (O-1298547), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Saratoga Springs, New York. (Section I, page 1, General Orders No. 35, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 27 February 1945).

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

26 January 1945

Private First Class VENNON A. JOHNSON, (39207854), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Issaquah, Washington.

7 February 1945

First Lieutenant MARTIN MECHAN, (O-1313113), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: West Winfield, New York.

10 February 1945

Private First Class WILLIAM H. SNYDER, (33830066), Medical Department, United States Army. Home address: Norristown, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class CHARLES R. STINSON, (34260830), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Claxton, Alabama.

Private THOMAS J. TRULBY, (42008820), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fairview, New Jersey.

11 February 1945

Second Lieutenant EDWARD J. HARRISON, (O-1305922), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Berkeley, California.

15 February 1945

Private First Class CARLOS E. DILLENBECK, (20914332), Medical Department United States Army. Home Address: Fort Hancock, Texas.

Technician Fifth Grade VERNIE W. HOWARD, (18063416), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: McKinney, Texas.

16 February 1945

Private First Class ARNOLD L. BATES, (39918421), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Idupah, Utah.

Private First Class ROBERT E. HAMILTON, (35224399), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Byesville, Ohio.

Private First Class FREDERICK G. HICKS, (31362244), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Swampscott, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM F. HUDSON, JR., (13036751), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milton, North Carolina.

17 February 1945

Technician Fourth Grade ALLAN G. DOMMIS, (14043105), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hermitage, Tennessee.

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I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded Private First Class CLARENCE A. WEIBLE, (33159250), Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in Section II, page 3, General Orders No. 32, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 4 May 1943, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945.

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

6 February 1945

Staff Sergeant MULLO D. FANSLER, (6993898), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK J. KOSTELKA, (38080344), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Caldwell, Texas.

Staff Sergeant JOHN K. PEASE, (35286511), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Private PETER J. VILLA, (19019633), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Butte, Montana.

7 February 1945

Corporal WILBUR P. BALL, (37341888), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Briggsdale, Colorado.

First Lieutenant CHARLES A. JUDGE, JR., (0-425928), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Francisco, California.

Private First Class ASHTON B. HAYDEN, JR., (38082794), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Center, Texas.

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Private First Class JOHN S. JOHNSON, (37163548), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Grey Eagle, Minnesota.

Private First Class LOUIS KASEY, Jr., (6654292), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Acherstdale, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant MARCUS A. KLAWITZER, (16021923), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Medina, Wisconsin.

Private First Class ADOLPH A. SILEROWICZ, (13066145), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jackson City, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant HUTCHINSON B. WHITE, (14035044), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bladenboro, North Carolina.

8 February 1946

Private First Class GEORGE HUMBERGER, (35286731), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ojai, California.

Private First Class ALEXANDER O. MAKI, (37570642), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: St. Paul, Minnesota.

OK III. RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS.-- 1. So much of Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 6, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class STANLEY R. ANDERSON, (37567271), Infantry, was erroneously made and is revoked.

73 2. So much of page 1, General Orders No. 4, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private First Class LEO E. BEAUJON, (39336021), Infantry, was erroneously made and is revoked.

OK 3. So much of page 1, General Orders No. 9, this headquarters, as, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Staff Sergeant VESTON C. HAIRR, (7082767), Infantry, was erroneously made and is revoked.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

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SV 241 008 (20 Jul 51)

19 September 1951

SUBJECT: Letter Orders - Amendment of General Orders

**TO: Mr. Wilbur P. Hall
Berkland, Colorado**

Re such of General Orders 45, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, dated 3 March 1946, as pertaining to the award of the Purple Heart to Sergeant Wilbur P. Hall, SV 241 008, which read, "Corporal" is amended to read, "Sergeant."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER) I
AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART. II

I. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded Private First Class STANLEY ROD, (37160633), Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in Section II, page 3, General Orders No. 6, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 13 March 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945.

II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

27 January 1945

Private First Class JOHN PANCIAC, (33003747), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

28 January 1945

Private First Class WILHELM X. ANSMAN, (32702306), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ridgewood, New York.

Private First Class LESLIE W. MERRIAM, (36869364), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

5 February 1945

Private WALTER JAKUBOWSKI, (12005938), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Troy, New York.

Private First Class BERNARD H. SALMON, (39570837), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

6 February 1945

Private First Class ELMER L. HOFFMAN, (39175737), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Indianapolis, Indiana.

Private First Class LVERN L. PAUL, (38515037), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Knox City, Texas.

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Private First Class CARL A. SOLENSON, (37472641), Infantry, United States. Home Address: Lexington, Nebraska.

7 February 1946

Private First Class WILLIAM McNEAL, (35708937), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Louisville, Kentucky.

Private LLOYD L. THELMAN, (20724171), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wichita, Kansas.

8 February 1946

Private LUTER H. KISER, (7082904), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lincolnton, North Carolina.

Private First Class WILLIAM WEST, (34189911), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oliver Springs, Tennessee.

9 February 1946

Technician Fifth Grade ALPH A. DOCKHAM, (20902994), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Jose, California.

11 February 1946

First Lieutenant HARRY A. KLEBO, JR., (0-1176692), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class MANUEL R. MENJUGA, (39576648), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Fernando, California.

Private First Class JOHN R. DRIVER, (36872721), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pleasant Ridge, Michigan.

Private First Class WILLIAM MONTGOMERY, (38472332), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: McCurtain, Oklahoma.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
Colonel, General Staff Corps,
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AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to each of the following named officers and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, on date indicated:

17 January 1945

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~~Private First Class LORE T. ROYFORD (20932271), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Eugene, Oregon~~

24 January 1945

Private First Class DOMINICK H. GIALLUCA, (35045549), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Canton, Ohio.

Private First Class JAMES A. INFINGER, (34241340), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ponce de Leon, Florida.

Second Lieutenant OLA A. KESSLER, (O-2043179), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: The Dalles, Oregon.

Private First Class DONALD D. LINDLEY, (37529864), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wichita, Kansas.

Staff Sergeant LAWRENCE M. MOORE, (6921158), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Morristown, Tennessee.

Private First Class ROLAND R. STRINGER, (38508380), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

25 January 1945

Sergeant PAUL E. GOTE, (20736355), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mena, Arkansas.

Private First Class ROBERT S. FLORES, (39299647), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: El Monte, California.

Private First Class CARROLL D. WILLIAMS, (36475990), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: East St. Louis, Illinois.

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27 January 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH W. GUDZIEN, (36639868), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Calumet City, Illinois.

Sergeant KENNETH A. RILEY, (39380119), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Creston, Iowa.

5 February 1945

Private First Class ROBERT C. APPEL, (39602737), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Butte, Montana.

8 February 1945

Private ELMER L. DAINELL, (35039189), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Leitchfield, Kentucky.

Private First Class MARVIN S. HUNNELLY, (34101064), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Baileyston, Alabama.

17 February 1945

Second Lieutenant JENNINGS B. FARNHARDT, (O-1316814), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Salisbury, North Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade DELBERT C. GOODEN, (20849126), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Denver, Colorado.

23 February 1945

Private First Class FLODDIE J. WILSON, (35760589), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fairview, West Virginia.

26 February 1945

First Lieutenant HERBERT C. GENTRY, (O-405390), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Montclair, New Jersey.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR

BRONZE STAR:--By direction of the president, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944, (Sec II, Bulletin 3, WD, 1944) a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant TED COOPER (6285951), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces from 11 January to 10 February 1945, on Central Luzon, Philippine Islands. Sergeant Cooper, communications chief of a field artillery battalion, planned and maintained under enemy fire, an efficient communication system which functioned perfectly despite extended lines and continuous forward displacement of units. Technical Sergeant Cooper's performance of duty in a superior manner aided materially in the success of the mission. Home Address: Mrs. Gertie A. Cooper (Mother), 2 1/2 South Utica Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD F. FICKLIN (6855377), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 10 January to 8 February 1945. Sergeant Ficklin, wire chief of a field artillery battalion, reconnoitered, laid, and maintained hundreds of miles of signal wire under all conditions of combat and terrain in a superior manner. Due to Staff Sergeant Ficklin's energy and skill, no element of the battalion was ever out of communication with adjacent and higher elements for any length of time despite the almost constant movement of all units concerned. Home Address: Mrs. George L. Ficklin (Mother), Box 233, Safety Harbor, Florida.

Major HAMILTON S. OVEN (O-353676), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Central Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 8 February 1945. Major Oven personally supervised a field artillery battalion fire direction center during critical phases of operations against the enemy during this period, making accurate, prompt, decisions which greatly influenced the action in favor of our advancing infantry. The devotion to duty and exceptional skill displayed by Major Oven aided materially in the successful accomplishment of his mission. Home Address: Mrs. Kathryn T. Oven (Wife), 301 Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida.

Major FRANK H. SCHALLER, JR. (O-391474), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 15 February 1945. Major Schaller, S-3 of a field artillery battalion engaged in operations against the enemy, was directly in charge of the fire direction center which he efficiently directed with outstanding success. The constant devotion to duty and tireless energy displayed by Major Schaller was an inspiration to all concerned. Home Address: Mrs. Frank H. Schaller, Jr. (Wife), 1417 Emporia, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

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Staff sergeant WILLIAM H. WEBER (15013552), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Central Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 3 February 1945. Staff sergeant Weber, radio chief of a field artillery battalion, displayed a brilliant knowledge of radio functioning and worked ceaselessly under hazardous conditions to keep the radios in repair and the large volume of traffic running smoothly. Staff sergeant Weber's devotion to duty was an inspiration to all the men of his section. Home Address: Mrs. Margaret Diefenbough (Mother), 312 East 3rd Street, Dover, Ohio.

By command of Major General MULLINS:

THOMAS N. STARK,
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