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C 288, Hq 25th Inf Div, 27 June 1945, continued.

Private First Class GERONIMO RIMANDO, 122nd Battalion, LGAF, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 March 1945 to 25 June 1945.

Staff Sergeant BIENVENIDO SALUD, First Guerrilla Regiment, LGAF, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Alejo Salud, Father, Caloccan, Rizal, Nueva Ecija, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Second Lieutenant JUSTO SAPIANDANTE, Squadron 223, LGAF, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 22 March 1945 to 25 June 1945.

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*Captain CECERINO Q. SARMENTA, First Guerrilla Regiment, LGAF, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Josefina Eugenio Platero, Wife, Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Corporal JOSE SUMBAD, 122nd Battalion, LGAF, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 April 1945 to 25 June 1945.

Captain RUPERTO B. VILLAMIN, First Guerrilla Regiment, LGAF, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 20 March 1945 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Grestita M. Villamin, Wife, Aliaga, Nueva Ecija, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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A.P.O. 25,
26 June 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER -

Section I

AWARD OF SECOND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart and Oak Leaf Cluster awarded Staff Sergeant CARL M. GOODWIN, 39023149, Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 14, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 8 February 1945 and General Orders No. 179, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 15 May 1945, a second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, for additional wound received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 27 March 1945. Home Address: Ocean Park, California.

Section 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 the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

10 March 1945

Private First Class JAMES H. DIEHL, 36573487, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: River Rouge, Michigan.

11 March 1945

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. EICHTEN, 37159469, Infantry, United States Army Home Address: Wabasso, Minnesota.

12 March 1945

Private CHESTER B. FLETCHER, 35770986, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: McConnell, West Virginia.

14 March 1945

Sergeant MANUEL DOMINGUEZ, 32001120, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

23 March 1945

Private First Class VALERY C. ELVINGTON, 34314351, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fair Bluff, North Carolina.

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27 March 1945

Private First Class ROBERT J. DONAHUE, 42037762, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

28 March 1945

Corporal EDGAR N. DUNN, 17029290, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address:adena, Iowa.

1 April 1945

Private SIDNEY L. ELLIS, 38488409, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lake Charles, Louisiana.

4 April 1945

Private JOE V. FLORES, 39597050, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Riverside, California.

7 April 1945

Private First Class DUDLEY D. DEWEY, 37567820, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wells, Minnesota.

8 April 1945

Corporal CARROLL T. DAVIS, 38146883, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Shawnee, Oklahoma.

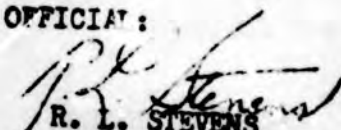
Private First Class EDWARD A. FILLMORE, 37567749, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fairmont, Minnesota.

19 April 1945

Private DOMAN A. DOMBKIEWICZ, 36981066, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lublin, Wisconsin.

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26 June 1945.

ORIGINAL ORDER -

Section I

AWARD OF SECOND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart and Oak Leaf Cluster awarded Private First Class HOWARD E. CUNNINGHAM, 37530244, Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 188, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 18 May 1945 and General Orders No. 190, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 20 May 1945, a second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 17 May 1945. Home Address: Fredonia, Kansas.

Section II

AWARD 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

17 January 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH S. BESS, 34015664, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Midland City, Alabama.

24 January 1945

Private First Class ROY E. BREEDLOVE, 37221117, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hallsville, Missouri.

9 March 1945

Private First Class ROBERT C. BOYLE, 36809590, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Madison, Wisconsin.

11 March 1945

Private First Class JAMES P. BELSHE, 37615433, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Eldon, Missouri.

15 March 1945

Sergeant JIMMY J. BROWN, 37530296, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Eldorado Springs, Missouri.

16 March 1945

Private First Class RUSSELL H. GANTRELL, 34880019, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dukedom, Tennessee.

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Private First Class **LYLE N. BILLINGS**, 31347284, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Leverett, Massachusetts.

20 March 1945

Private First Class **JOHN J. BAKER**, 37622258, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: St. Louis, Missouri.

3 April 1945

Private **DALE D. BOTTS**, 38571163, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Miami, Oklahoma.

4 April 1945

Private First Class **CARLOS E. APENAS**, 39706679, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

Private First Class **WILLIAM D. BURKE**, 37566951, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Aurora, Minnesota.

8 April 1945

Staff Sergeant **ROY S. BOAST**, 39378777, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Habton, Washington.

27 April 1945

Sergeant **DAVID R. BOSWARD**, 39299573, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Salt Lake City, Utah.

1 May 1945

Private First Class **DALLAS E. BODEN**, 39596834, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

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26 June 1945.

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.—Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended and Letter AG 200.6, Subject: "Awards of Filipino Personnel", Headquarters Sixth Army, dated 1 June 1945, a Purple heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men of the 1st Guerrilla Regiment, IGAF-13AFPE, for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

2 April 1945

Staff Sergeant GUBENCIO SOTIO, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Guimba, Nueva Ecija.

4 April 1945

First Lieutenant RICHIE BARRIOS, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Zamboanga City, Zamboanga.

7 April 1945

Private JOSE TORRES, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address:

9 April 1945

Private First Class FEDERICO BULDUAC, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte.

Private RICARDO DE GUZMAN, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Guimba, Nueva Ecija.

11 April 1945

Private POLICARPIO BERNARDO, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Zaragoza, Nueva Ecija.

Private AGAPITO EUSEBIO, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Zaragoza, Nueva Ecija.

13 April 1945

Private First Class CARLOS ABAN, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address:

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30 April
Private First Class MAURICIO LACHICA, Infantry, "H" Company. Home Address:
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Private AURELIO INON^M, Infantry, "H" Company. Home Address: Guimba,
Nueva Ecija.

Private RICARDO FERRAS^K, Infantry, "H" Company. Home Address: Guimba,
Nueva Ecija.

Private APOLINARIO TABING, Infantry, "H" Company. Home Address:
Guimba, Nueva Ecija.

14 April 1945

Sergeant CONSOLACION BAPTISTA, Infantry, "H" Company. Home Address:

Private First Class ALFONSO DALUSONG, Infantry, "G" Company. Home
Address: Dagupan, Pangasinan.

Private DABLO RAFAEL, Infantry, "G" Company. Home Address: Zaragoza,
Nueva Ecija.

15 April 1945

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Private LAURO DOMENDO, Infantry, "A" Company. Home Address: Umingan,
Pangasinan.

23 April 1945

Private First Class CECILIO CORTEZ, Infantry, "B" Company. Home Address:
San Quintin, Pangasinan.

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A.P.O. 25,
26 June 1945.

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART.--Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended and Letter AG 200.6, Subject: "Awards of Filipino Personnel", Headquarters Sixth Army, dated 1 June 1945, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men of the 1st Guerrilla Regiment, LGAF-USAFFE, for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

27 March 1945

Private ALBERTO CORFUZ, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Rizal, Nueva Ecija.

Private PERFECTO PASCUA, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Rizal, Nueva Ecija.

29 March 1945

Private First Class SILVERIO CATALAN, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: San Pedro Makati, Rizal, Nueva Ecija.

Private ALVARO DOMINGO, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Laur, Nueva Ecija.

Private BENJAMIN LIBUNAO, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Munoz, Nueva Ecija.

Private CORNELIO MARINAS, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Laur, Nueva Ecija.

Sergeant BERNARDO RAMIL, Infantry, "I" Company. Home address: Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija.

Corporal JUANITO VILLAN, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Tanawan, Leyte

30 March 1945

Private EMILIO ABELLONAR, Infantry, "M" Company. Home Address: Munoz, Nueva Ecija.

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Private First Class ALBERTO SAGUN, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Munoz, Nueva Ecija.

Private CARLITO FALLONIA, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Cebanatuan, Nueva Ecija.

Private MARCELO RAMOS, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Laur, Nueva Ecija.

Corporal FERRICO UNDA, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Munoz, Nueva Ecija.

31 March 1945

Private BENJAMIN CORPUZ, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Talavera, Nueva Ecija.

1 April 1945

Private First Class EUSTACIO DORIA, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: Palasiqui, Pangasinan.

Corporal ROMAN GABRIEL, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: San Jose, Nueva Ecija.

Private First Class SIXTO GABRIEL, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: San Jose, Nueva Ecija.

Private First Class ALEJANDRO LEAL, Infantry, "I" Company. Home Address: San Jose, Nueva Ecija.

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ORIGINAL ORDER -

Section I

AWARD OF FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.--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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

29 January 1945

Private First Class GERALD DIFINO, 32916384, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: New Brunswick, New Jersey. (Sec II, page 1, General Orders No. 200, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 26 May 1945.)

12 April 1945

Private First Class ELMER J. BECKIUS, 37681172, Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Dubuque, Iowa. (Page 1, General Orders No. 96, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 4 April 1945.)

20 April 1945

Technician Third Grade ARGIL F. COFFMAN, 35426918, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Grafton, West Virginia. (Sec II, page 1, General Orders No. 235, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 12 June 1945.)

Private First Class JEROME H. HANKE, 37567837, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Blue Earth, Minnesota. (Sec II, page 2, General Orders No. 268, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 23 June 1945.)

Section II

AWARD 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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

Citation issued by No 369 - 31 MAY 1945 - July 29, 1945
*Private First Class MAJOS M. GOODLOW, 38732537, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Tyler, Missouri.

11 April 1945

First Lieutenant CHARLES E. HUNT, 0400330, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Townsend, Washington.

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18 April 1945

Private First Class LEVOL BELOKOSTOLSKY, 32178722, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bronx, New York.

5 May 1945

Private JOSEPH A. HIBBERD, 35916955, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

Private First Class LEONARD F. KENYON, 12214937, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Syracuse, New York.

6 May 1945

Private JOHN A. HOHLOCK, 36917044, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

1 June 1945

Private ROBERT R. CHILDERS, 44046830, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Laurel, Mississippi.

* Staff Sergeant ALVIS K. HANBY 13079976, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Rockwall, Texas.

21 June 1945

Private First Class STANLEY A. STANCZYK, 36875151, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

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AWARD 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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

18 January 1945

Private First Class BERNARD S. JOHNSON, 39376123, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ellensburg, Washington.

10 March 1945

Private First Class EDGAR H. KNUTSON, 37155176, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ashland, Nebraska.

11 March 1945

Staff Sergeant LEONARD D. GRANAL, 39302551, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

12 March 1945

Private JOHN A. LEWIS, 38557818, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Diego, Texas.

16 March 1945

Private First Class EARL D. JAMESON, 39139178, Infantry, United States Army. Eureka, California.

28 March 1945

Private First Class MERVIN H. KELLY, 39916931, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Emmett, Idaho.

Private First Class WILLIAM G. KRANEL, 32972428, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Stapelton, New York.

30 March 1945

Private First Class JOHN F. HALL, 6557054, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dodson, Montana.

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Technical Sergeant ~~WILBURN L. KIRKSEY~~, 37065037, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jonesboro, Arkansas.

2 April 1945

Private First Class JOHN P. HARRSHIAN, 33702476, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

3 April 1945

Private First Class GEORGE E. LANDIS, 37529622, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kansas City, Missouri.

7 April 1945

Private First Class JOHN H. KNIPPER, 32015962, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Brooklyn, New York.

9 April 1945

Private First Class ROBERT M. KAMPSULA, 37567492, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New York Mills, Minnesota.

27 April 1945

Private First Class LOWELL H. HAUG, 37567652, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Austin, Minnesota.


1 May 1945

First Lieutenant JULIAN F. HAMNER, 02042868, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Atchison, Kansas.

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26 June 1945.

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant FRANCIS W. MISHOE, 14020604, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 1 December 1943 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Sarah Mishoe, Mother, Pine Street, Aynor, South Carolina.

Technician Fourth Grade ADAM OGINSKY, 7070823, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1942 to 7 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Joseph W. Oginisky, Brother, Route #1, Corunna, Michigan.

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE FLANEY, JR., 35011471, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. Learning that a number of wounded men were lying in an exposed position subject to intense and accurate sniper and automatic weapons fire, Technician Fourth Grade FLANEY, with disregard for his own personal safety, volunteered to lead his litter squad in an attempt to reach and evacuate the wounded. Leading the squad to the site of the wounded men, he administered first aid and directed the preparation of the wounded for evacuation. On the return trip, the squad was brought under sniper fire, but carried on in spite of it. In carrying the patients through this accurate sniper fire, two more men were wounded, but the casualties were brought to the safety of the Aid Station. Technician Fourth Grade FLANEY's heroic actions and devotion to duty, above and beyond the call of duty, were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Macy Flaney, Mother, 246 State Street, Struthers, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant EDGER F. FRUITT, 6950741, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 5 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Ella Pruitt, Mother, Valliant, Oklahoma.

Technician Fourth Grade GRANT M. RICHARDS, 39300912, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. After successfully maneuvering an M-7 mount to displace another,

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Technician Fourth Grade RICHARDS continued to drive until two enemy tanks, three machine guns and a field piece were knocked out. This aggressive and timely action was done in the face of sporadic 47mm and machine gun fire from revetted tanks and the deliberately aimed fire of rifles and mortars. Results of fire from his mount, which virtually closed with an emplaced fortress, permitted an infantry company to advance to more tenable positions. Technician Fourth Grade RICHARDS' heroic actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the assaulting infantry and played a paramount part in the eventual victory over the enemy in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Hattie Richards, Mother, 1214 East 29th Street, Vancouver, Washington.

Technician Fourth Grade LEWIS ROTHENBERG, 7072628, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1942 to 7 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Rothenberg, Mother, 206 Kinsington Rd, Syracuse, New York.

Private First Class PATRICK SACCU, 31280138, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with the military operations against the Japanese forces at Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 March 1945. Hearing that a number of casualties were lying in an exposed position subject to automatic weapons and sniper fire, without hesitation Private First Class SACCU volunteered to be a member of a litter squad to attempt to reach and evacuate the wounded men. Despite heavy enemy small arms fire, he succeeded in reaching the side of the wounded soldiers, helped administer first aid to them and started to bring them back to the aid station. On the return trip, the squad was brought under accurate small arms fire and two members of the squad were wounded. Despite this, he and the other members of his squad brought the wounded men back to the safety of the aid station. Private First Class SACCU's heroic actions and devotion to duty, above and beyond the call of duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Saccu, Mother, 276 Cedar Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

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A.F.O. 25,
26 June 1945.

AWARD OF THE BROWN STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9117, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, para 3, ID, 1944), a Brown Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Private First Class KENNETH P. GEORGE, 39680987, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Putilan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. When word was received at the aid station that a number of casualties were lying in exposed positions, subject to automatic weapons and sniper fire, Private First Class GEORGE volunteered as a member of a litter squad to attempt to reach and evacuate the wounded men. With disregard for his own personal safety and despite heavy enemy small arms fire, he succeeded in reaching the side of the wounded soldiers, helped administer first aid to them and started to bring them back to the aid station. On the return trip, the squad was brought under accurate small arms fire and 2 members of the squad were wounded. Despite this he and the other members of his squad carried on and brought the wounded back to the safety of the aid station. Private First Class GEORGE's heroic actions and calmness in the face of danger were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Sadie Q. George, Mother, Fort Hall, Idaho.

Captain ROBERT W. GODWIN, 0419099, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 31 December 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Sabina Godwin, Wife, Moonsey, New York.

Technician Fourth Grade PHILE B. HAINES, 15118739, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 15 December 1944 to 14 June 1945. Home address: Dana B. Haines, Mother, 817 Passopolis Street, Elkhart, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade VERNIE W. HOWARD, 18063416, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 13 and 14 February 1945. Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD was a member of an observation party carrying equipment for the observation post when they were ambushed by an enemy outpost on a mountain trail. During the surprise attack, Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD and four others were wounded, one seriously, by grenade fragments and rifle fire. In spite of his wound, he remained in an unprotected area to give covering fire while the wounded were withdrawn to a nearby ravine. Throughout that night and most of next day he remained on guard, until the

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arrival of a rescue party. Technician Fifth Grade HOWARD's heroic actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. William R. Howard, Father, Route 4, McKinney, Texas.

Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) ROBERT J. LEHRER, 37568199, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. Staff Sergeant LEHRER was Chief of Section on an M-7 Motor Carriage. Realizing the critical situation confronting the infantry in the face of extensive enemy armor, he and his crew fought for two and three-quarter hours in their mount operating with perfect co-ordination in the face of sporadic machine gun and 47mm fire from concealed and retved tanks and the deliberately aimed harassing fire of snipers and mortar-men. Failure of any men to do his job or any loss of nerve would have brought certain disaster. This final all out effort destroyed three tanks and a field piece. Staff Sergeant LEHRER's heroic actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to the assaulting infantrymen and served as a vital contribution to the ultimate destruction of the enemy garrison, reflecting great credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Eleanor Lehrer, Mother, 124 E. Sanborn Street, Springfield, Minnesota.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES M. LONG, 7025215, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1942 to 7 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Charles J. Lindermoth, Mother, 2224 Delaware Avenue, Renovo, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class THOMAS F. MANSFIELD, 32855156, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 15 March to 14 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Jennie N. Mansfield, Mother, 7½ Traver Street, Glens Falls, New York.

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AWARD OF THE SECOND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart and Oak Leaf Cluster awarded Technician Fifth Grade FRANCIS J. STANG, 33067063, Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 136, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 27 April 1945 and General Orders No. 190, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 20 May 1945, a second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 May 1945. Home Address: Randallstown, Maryland.

Section 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 the following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

5 April 1945

Private First Class FRANK M. FABRY, 38325220, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: McAlester, Oklahoma.

19 April 1945

Private First Class EARL WILCOX, 38211290, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fayetteville, Arkansas.

23 April 1945

Private First Class HARVEY SHEARL, 35039707, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Akron, Ohio.

4 May 1945

Master Sergeant ALEXANDER D. TORCK, 35009326, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Youngstown, Ohio.

8 May 1945

Private GIAN E. BARNETT, 38572368, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lakeview, Texas.

12 May 1945

Private First Class AMIL R. HERSHEIM, 39619173, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Great Falls, Montana.

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Private First Class ERNEST J. CALDWELL, 33406798, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Coudersport, Pennsylvania.

27 May 1945

Private First Class SIPRIANO G. FLORES, 38515576, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Lometa, Texas.

29 May 1945

Private First Class WILLIAM F. NEWNHAM, 39920074, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Boise, Idaho.

30 May 1945

Private WAYNE O. BURNETT, 39480311, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Enumclaw, Washington.

Private First Class VINCENTE M. LOPEZ, 38946268, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: San Angelo, Texas.

Section III

AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.—1. So much of Section II (Award of the Purple Heart), General Orders No. 220, as pertains to Private First Class JOHN G. WILLKOM, 37252304, Infantry, as reads "Private First Class JOHN G. WILLKOM, 37352304, Infantry, United States Army" is amended to read "Private First Class JOHN G. WILLKOM, 37252304, Medical Department, United States Army".

2. So much of Section II (Award of the Purple Heart), General Orders No. 200, as pertains to Private First Class GERALD DI PANO, 32916384, Medical Department, as reads, "Private First Class GERALD DI TANO" is amended to read "Private First Class GERALD DI PANO".

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25 June 1945.

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Rul 3, E.O. 9419, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Fourth Grade **JAMES L. CHANDLER**, 35450656, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 March 1945. Hearing that a wounded man of a water carrying detail was exposed to enemy fire, Technician Fourth Grade **CHANDLER**, voluntarily and with disregard for his own personal safety, together with two other soldiers, crawled to the scene of the ambush and under constant machine gun and spasmodic sniper fire, carried the unconscious man to a slight depression where he dressed his wounds and administered blood plasma. He then helped carry the casualty through an adjacent ravine almost devoid of cover to the aid station. Technician Fourth Grade **CHANDLER**'s heroic actions and devotion to duty aided materially in saving the wounded man's life and reflected high credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lizzie Chandler, Mother, Owenton, Kentucky.

Technician Third Grade **LAWRENCE W. CHILDERS**, 37176108, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 March 1945. Hearing that a wounded man of a water carrying detail was exposed to enemy fire, Technician Third Grade **CHILDERS**, voluntarily and with disregard for his own personal safety, together with two other soldiers, crawled to the scene of the ambush and under constant machine gun and spasmodic sniper fire, carried the unconscious man to a slight depression where he dressed his wounds and administered blood plasma. Working in relays because of the distance and the weight of the wounded man, he and his two companions, carried the casualty through an adjacent ravine almost devoid of cover to the aid station. Technician Third Grade **CHILDERS**' heroic actions and devotion to duty aided in saving the life of a wounded man and reflected high credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mrs. L. W. Childers, Wife, 1604 West Broadway, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Captain **JEROME J. CHRISTIANS**, 0310447, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1942 to 1 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. James K. Christians, Wife, 2812 Clay Street, San Francisco, California.

Sergeant **ROBERT G. CLAUSSEN**, 37664527, Armored, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese

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forces near Puncan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 March 1945. Hearing that a tank commander was seriously wounded, Sergeant CLAUSSEN, an Ammunition Sergeant, with disregard for his own personal safety, ran across 30 yards of open terrain under enemy sniper and artillery fire, and assisted in removing the wounded tank commander from the tank, carrying him across the open terrain to cover. Sergeant CLAUSSEN's heroic actions, devotion to duty above and beyond his normal duties saved the life of the wounded man, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Luealla Claussen, Mother, 710 Second Avenue, Clinton, Iowa.

Captain CLARENCE A. FRAZER, 0289025, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1942 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Mary E. Frazer, Wife, Grant Park, Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade SAMUEL E. FULTS, 20818634, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 March 1945. When a severe casualty was reported laying on an exposed ridge by a front line unit, Technician Fifth Grade FULTS led a litter squad sent to make an immediate evacuation. In spite of an enemy artillery barrage which hit so close that dirt was thrown on him, he led his courageous group along the open face of the ridge. The serious nature of their patient's wound made it necessary for them to continue the long arduous trip without stopping to take cover. Technician Fifth Grade FULTS' heroic actions and devotion to duty aided in saving the life of a wounded man, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Maggie M. Fults, Mother, RFD #5, Paris, Texas.

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Section I

AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS

General Orders No. 270, this headquarters, 23 June 1945, as pertains to the Award of First Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart, is amended to read: General Orders No. 271, 23 June 1945.

Section II

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, D. 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

First Sergeant (then Technical Sergeant) LEO O. MAHEUX, 11014654, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Rosaldo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 February 1945. A patrol of which First Sergeant MAHEUX was a member was given the mission of reconnoitering a hill. As they approached their objective, they were sighted and fired upon by a large force of the enemy which pinned them to the ground. Although he was in full view of the enemy from his advantageous position on the high ground of the objective hill, and receiving heavy enemy fire from both front and flank, First Sergeant MAHEUX, with complete disregard to his own personal safety, maneuvered through the lanes of enemy fire to a point overlooking an advancing enemy column. With remarkable coolness and accuracy he maintained a withering fire of such proportion that it broke the advance of the enemy, causing them to scatter in all directions. First Sergeant MAHEUX's gallant actions aided materially in the subsequent attack upon the objective as well as reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home address: Mr. Arthur Maheux, Father, 43 Franklin Street, Augusta, Maine.

Sergeant (then Private First Class) RICHARD M. WERNER, 37567256, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. A platoon of which Sergeant WERNER was a B.R man was pinned down by 47mm and machine gun fire so intense that it caused many casualties to his platoon. With complete disregard for his own personal safety he crawled across 25 yards of open ground under intense fire to bring a wounded scout to safety. Locating another wounded soldier about 35 yards away lying directly in the line of fire of an enemy tank, he again advanced beyond the front lines and dragged him to safety. Although an ever increasing volume of enemy fire was being concentrated on any moving object, he then guided litter bearers to several other wounded soldiers he had located. Sergeant WERNER's gallant actions, above and beyond the call of duty, were instrumental in saving the lives of several wounded soldiers and were an inspiration to all who observed him. Home address: Mr. John T. Werner, Father, 1345 53rd Avenue, Oakland, California.

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Section III

AWARD OF THE FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Sergeant PHILIP LEWIS, 16064039, as published in General Orders No. 714, Headquarters USAFISPA, 8 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Sergeant PHILIP LEWIS, 16064039, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January to 7 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Esther Lipschitz, Mother, 475 Snediker Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Section IV

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

First Lieutenant MARK H. BROWN, JR., 01323529, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 May 1945. During the attack on a knoll by an infantry company supported by a platoon of 61mm mortars of which First Lieutenant BROWN was leader, an infantry platoon was pinned down by intense fire from a well concealed enemy machine gun. Upon his own initiative and without orders First Lieutenant BROWN maneuvered to the top of the knoll in order to locate the enemy gun. With disregard to his own personal safety while exposed and under direct fire of the enemy gun, he succeeded in locating it and adjusting mortar fire which resulted in the enemy gun's destruction, thereby enabling the infantry company to continue their attack. First Lieutenant BROWN's heroic actions, coolness under fire and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed him and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy O. Brown, Wife, Lake Providence, Louisiana.

Section IV

REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS.--So much of General Orders No. 24, this Headquarters, 14 February 1945, pertaining to the award of the Silver Star to Staff Sergeant VICTOR A. BLEGONOWSKI, 12023165, is revoked.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (Posthumous).-- By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 3, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private GILBERT WOLFF, 32953799, Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Salet Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. In spite of the fact that a previous attempt to reach four seriously wounded men, whom the enemy had ambushed well within their lines, had failed, Private WOLFF, company aid-man, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, crawled forward 90 yards through the dense jungle to where the men lay. Three days later when the company had finally succeeded in eliminating the enemy strong points and had reached the ridge line where the men had been ambushed, it was found that Private WOLFF had succeeded in dragging all four men into a bomb crater and had attended their wounds. He was bandaging the wounds of the last man when he was hit by sniper fire and killed. Private WOLFF's gallant actions and devotion to duty in the face of certain death were an inspiration to all and reflected credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Frieda Wolff, Wife, RFD 4, Northwest Avenue, Vineland, New Jersey.

Section II

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.--by direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant RUSSELL L. CHRISTENSEN, 01307197, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Santa Maria, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. As leader of a patrol sent out to destroy an enemy unit advancing upon the town, First Lieutenant CHRISTENSEN organized and led an attack which routed an enemy force of superior numbers with heavy casualties. As he was leading his men toward the enemy position, he was shot through the right arm, and, although his arm was rendered useless to him at the time, he continued to lead his men in the assault. As a result of this action, the success of which was directly attributable to First Lieutenant CHRISTENSEN's actions, a strong enemy patrol was stopped and the town of Santa Maria was saved from possible enemy attack. First Lieutenant CHRISTENSEN's gallant actions were an inspiration to his men reflecting credit upon himself and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Harris Christensen, Father, Bancroft, Idaho.

Private First Class CHARLES D. HOLSINGER, 16176333, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Marikalu, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 February 1945. During a night attack upon his company's

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positions, the enemy infiltrated into the six-man strongpoint of which Private First Class HOLSINGER was a member. After killing two men, wounding one, and forcing one to withdraw, the enemy occupied the four positions to his left and concentrated rifle fire and grenades upon him. Although he was now alone, with no thought of retreat he coolly returned fire and directed assault mortar fire on the enemy not more than 5 yards from his position. He held his position for one hour until joined by another soldier carrying hand grenades. At dawn, he assisted in clearing the enemy from the positions they had taken. Private First Class HOLSINGER's gallant actions in the face of grave danger, which limited the enemy's infiltration and enabled his platoon to hold its ground, were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Paul H. Holsinger, Father, Route 9, Box 1860, Sacramento, California.

Sergeant JOHN D. MACK, 32972314, Infantry, United States Army, for gallant action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. While his company was suffering heavy casualties from a powerful enemy armored assault, Sergeant MACK occupied a position among front line elements of the defense sector. Rapid grazing machine gun fire from close range together with an undetermined number of enemy riflemen supported the attack of two tanks that directed their efforts specifically toward his zone. As these armored vehicles slowly approached, they sprayed his sector with machine gun and 47mm fire. With complete disregard to his own personal safety, Sergeant MACK with another man moved across 75 yards of open ground to a position where he could most effectively place bazooka fire on the tanks. From this location and in the path of the same enemy assault fire, he fired 15 bazooka rounds at the enemy's armored vehicles, stopping 2 tanks and thus enabling 37mm anti-tank guns to complete their destruction. Sergeant MACK's gallant actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Lieutenant Colonel John G. Mack, Father, 18 West 6th Street, New York City, New York.

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SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress 9 July 1918, (Pub 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LEWIS NIOVICH, 13030441, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 19 April 1945. A friendly force, of which Staff Sergeant NIOVICH was a member, was attacked by a superior number of enemy from their advantageously higher positions. Staff Sergeant NIOVICH on his own initiative, exposed himself to heavy enemy rifle and machine gun fire in order to divert the enemy's attention from his fellow soldiers. Rising to full stature, he fired his rifle into an enemy machine gun position. Seeing three wounded men lying helpless in their foxholes, Staff Sergeant NIOVICH fearlessly ran through enemy fire to the aid of the wounded men and dragged them one by one to positions of safety. Staff Sergeant NIOVICH's gallant actions and devotion to duty were largely instrumental in repulsing the enemy attack reflecting great credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Sophie Niovich, Mother, Seaner, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class DANIELE A. SENTULLI, 42023143, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 April 1945. A patrol of which Private First Class SENTULLI was lead scout encountered an enemy road block. With the assistance of the squad B.R. man, Private First Class SENTULLI succeeded in laying heavy fire on the enemy force, killing four. When the patrol attempted to advance and met heavy fire, Private First Class SENTULLI, in full view of the enemy and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, dashed across an open road and directed the fire of another B.R. man on the enemy, killing three more and forcing the remainder to withdraw, abandoning their machine gun. Private First Class SENTULLI's gallant actions and aggressive leadership were an inspiration to all who observed him reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Sentulli, Mother, RFD 1, Syracuse, New York.

First Lieutenant JOSEPH I. STARK, 01317464, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Duncan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 February, 1945. First Lieutenant STARK, Platoon Leader, led a force making an attack up almost sheer mountainside. In the face of rifle, machine gun fire and grenade barrages, the assault was skillfully and bravely pushed to within 150 yards of the topmost and final center of enemy

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resistance. The men were completely exhausted by an entire day of assaulting the defenses of the mountain over inconceivably difficult terrain, and their strength and spirit to advance further was gone. A dusk attack was ordered, and First Lieutenant STARK was to lead his force across the 150 yards of exposed ground and close with the enemy. After 75 yards, the zone of advance narrowed to a 15 foot wide saddle precipitous on both sides, the crossing of which necessarily silhouetted the attackers against the skyline. A junction with another attacking force failed to materialize. First Lieutenant STARK's force wavered. With disregard for his personal safety, he stepped out in front of his men and waved boldly and called loudly for his men to follow him. The attacking force reformed and continued the assault behind him. He was hit by a rifle shot and fell seriously wounded directly in the enemy field of fire, but continued to exhort his men to advance. First Lieutenant STARK's gallant actions, brilliant leadership and his outstanding courage were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Virginia J. Stark, Wife, 5242 West Strong Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Staff Sergeant BERT E. TIMM, JR., 34211956, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Rosaldo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 February 1945. Staff Sergeant TIMM was rifle squad leader of an infantry company temporarily halted by the fire of enemy riflemen. A friendly rifleman was dispatched with the mission of pinning the enemy to the ground to permit our advance. After having advanced a distance of 25 yards, he was fired upon by enemy machine gun and rifle fire and fell to the ground seriously wounded. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant TIMM, while in full view and under direct fire of enemy rifle and machine guns, voluntarily advanced a distance of 25 yards to the side of the wounded man, administered first aid and removed him to a position of safety. At this point the enemy, from their right flank, opened fire on the two men's position causing them to be pinned to the ground. When another soldier came to their assistance, Staff Sergeant TIMM returned fire on the enemy and covered the withdrawal of the wounded man. Staff Sergeant TIMM's gallant actions, coolness under fire and unselfish devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who observed him and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. E. B. Timin, Mother, Route 1, Lebanon, North Carolina.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade PETER MALASKI, JR., 13010631, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 February 1945. In order to allow tanks to successfully complete their mission in direct support of the infantry attacking Umingan, it was mandatory to clear the main road of hostile mines and demolitions. Technician Fifth Grade MALASKI, with complete disregard for his personal safety and in the face of enemy machine gun and rifle fire, checked the road with a mine detector. Though open terrain afforded excellent fields of fire for the Japanese forces, Technician Fifth Grade MALASKI of necessity unarmed due to the high sensitivity of the electric mine detector, meticulously cleared the road for a distance of five hundred yards. This action opened up the only feasible route for the maneuvering of tanks and afforded swift evacuation of casualties. The devotion to duty and coolness under fire displayed by Technician Fifth Grade MALASKI were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Peter Malaski, Sr., Father, 442 Liberty Avenue, Donora, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant LOUIS J. MANISCARCO, 35755396, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. With complete disregard for his own personal safety and fully aware of the dangers involved, Sergeant MANISCARCO (then Private First Class) volunteered and proceeded to expose himself to the fire of enemy riflemen and machine gun fire in order to go to the aid of a man who had been wounded and lay in the path of enemy fire. Upon reaching the wounded man, Sergeant MANISCARCO, seeing that he needed immediate medical attention, carried him back to a place of safety. Sergeant MANISCARCO's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was instrumental in saving the life of the wounded man and reflected high credit upon himself as well as the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Rosie Maniscarco, Mother, Thomas, West Virginia.

Sergeant JOHN A. ROBISON, 34735522, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. With complete disregard for his own personal safety and fully aware of the dangers involved, Sergeant ROBISON voluntarily exposed himself to the fire of enemy rifle and machine gun fire in order to go to the aid of a man who had been wounded and

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lay in the path of enemy fire. Upon reaching the wounded man, Sergeant ROBISON, seeing that he needed immediate medical attention, carried the wounded man to a place of safety. Sergeant ROBISON's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was instrumental in saving the life of the wounded soldier and reflected high credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. W. T. Robison, Mother, Hamilton Apartments, Evanston, Illinois.

Private First Class THOMAS I. RAMSEY, 6589159, Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 and 14 February 1945. Private First Class RAMSEY was a member of an observation party carrying equipment for the organization of an observation post when they were ambushed by a Japanese outpost on a mountain trail. During the surprise attack, Private First Class RAMSEY and four others were wounded, one seriously, by grenade fragments and rifle fire. In spite of a back wound he remained in an unprotected area to give covering fire while the other wounded men were withdrawn to a nearby ravine. All through that night and most of the next day, Private First Class RAMSEY remained on guard, although wounded, until the arrival of a rescue party. The devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Private First Class RAMSEY reflected credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Myrtle Ramsey, Mother, RFD #1, Clackamas, Oregon.

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24 June 1945.

SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant MAURICE WAIN, 19017144, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 April 1945. Staff Sergeant WAIN was squad leader of an infantry company which had reached and was securing the highest peak of a steep ridge when it was discovered that an estimated 30 enemy, heavily armed and supported by two machine guns were concealed in a series of ingeniously contrived caves a few feet below the crest of the forward slope of the hill. By employing a device of his own invention for suspending grenades on the end of a string to prevent the enemy's throwing them back, Staff Sergeant WAIN succeeded in clearing one cave by killing six of its occupants. While again exposing himself to the intense enemy fire in order to reduce a similar position, he was severely wounded. Through Staff Sergeant WAIN's gallant actions, brilliant ingenuity and fearless adherence to duty, his comrades were inspired to push forward and clear the remaining caves, killing the entire enemy force. Home Address: Miss Jean Stuart, Sister, Laistown, Montana.

Staff Sergeant J. C. HOLLINGSWORTH, 6284539, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Rosaldo, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 February 1945. Staff Sergeant HOLLINGSWORTH was rifle squad leader of an infantry company which was temporarily halted by the fire of enemy riflemen. A friendly rifleman, dispatched with the mission of pinning the enemy to the ground to permit an advance, was seriously wounded. Staff Sergeant HOLLINGSWORTH, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, while in full view and under direct fire of enemy rifles and machine guns, moved to the position of the wounded man and carried him a distance of 100 yards to safety. In order to remove the wounded man to safety, it was necessary to ford a swift running irrigation ditch approximately 5 feet in depth. Although injured while crossing the ditch, he continued on and carried the wounded man to the battalion aid station. Staff Sergeant HOLLINGSWORTH's gallant actions and unselfish devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who observed him and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ora Kedgpath, Sister, 114 East Munston Street, Denison, Texas.

Staff Sergeant JAMES H. KEMP, 34261024, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon,

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Philippine Islands, on 29 April 1945. Knowing that an enemy strongpoint had to be reduced before the advance could continue, Staff Sergeant KEMP, on his own initiative and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, with the aid of another soldier, voluntarily advanced upon the enemy strongpoint, and succeeded in destroying an enemy machine gun. Inspired by his gallant actions the remaining members of his squad and platoon quickly surged forward and overran the enemy position thereby securing their objective. Staff Sergeant KEMP's gallant actions and superior leadership were an inspiration to all who observed him and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.. Home Address: Mrs. Fannie G. Kemp, Mother, Route #2, Oxford, Alabama.

Sergeant ERLERT V. LEE, 35757598, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 March 1945. During a fierce enemy night attack on his platoon, Sergeant LEE on his own initiative and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, after having fired a clip of ammunition killing two of the approaching enemy, got out of his foxhole and fought unarmored with an armed enemy soldier who was bayoneting a fellow soldier. Sergeant LEE's gallant actions in saving the life of another soldier reflected great credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Byrd W. Lee, Mother, Mainville, West Virginia.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, 1), 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Corporal STEPHEN H. BABCOCK, 32165195, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 February 1945. In order to allow tanks to successfully complete their mission in direct support of the infantry attacking Umingan, it was mandatory to clear the main road of hostile mines and demolitions. Corporal BABCOCK, with complete disregard for his own safety and in the face of enemy machine gun and rifle fire, checked the road with a mine detector. Though open terrain afforded excellent fields of fire for the Japanese forces, Corporal BABCOCK of necessity unarmed due to the high sensitivity of the electric mine detector, meticulously cleared the road for a distance of five hundred yards. This action opened up the only feasible route for the maneuvering of tanks, facilitated communications to the attacking elements, and afforded swift evacuation of casualties. The devotion to duty and coolness under fire displayed by Corporal BABCOCK were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ethel Babcock, Mother, 311 Madison Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant RUFUS O. BAKER, 39081681, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 April 1945. Staff Sergeant BAKER, voluntarily crawled through enemy fire for twenty yards over the crest of a knoll on Nyoko Mountain with two pole charges consisting of twenty pounds of explosive, and placed them under two heavy logs that were blocking the advance of the tanks. Carefully connecting the lead wires to his blaster, he withdrew to safety setting off the charges and clearing the block. Later in the vicinity of the same area, Staff Sergeant BAKER again, with disregard for his own safety, went forward under enemy sniper fire and rescued one of his men who had been mortally wounded. The devotion to duty, coolness under fire and disregard for personal safety displayed by Staff Sergeant BAKER was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. James A. Baker, Father, Gridley, California.

Sergeant NORBERT F. HENRY, 39142501, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement against the Japanese forces near Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 February 1945. When an artillery officer was wounded while attempting to set up an observation post, Sergeant HENRY (then Private First

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Class), seeing that another man who had gone to the aid of the wounded officer was unprotected maneuvered into a position from which he could deliver covering fire and exposed himself to intense enemy fire in order to draw attention away from the wounded officer. On his own initiative and without regard for his own personal safety, Sergeant HENRY stood up in full view of the enemy machine gun and fired his weapon into the enemy position, enabling his fellow soldier to carry the wounded officer to safety. The heroic actions and devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant HENRY were instrumental in saving the life of the wounded officer and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Katharyne E. Henry, Wife, 525 Hearst Avenue, San Francisco, California.

Captain ARTHUR G. JOHNSON, JR., O-25784, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. During the attack of an infantry company, Captain JOHNSON, Battalion S-3, repeatedly exposed himself to heavy fire in order to register and adjust artillery and mortar fire for the support of the advancing infantrymen. Captain JOHNSON's heroic actions, accurate fire direction and personal bravery contributed greatly to the success of the operation as well as being an inspiration to the officers and men of his command. Home Address: Dr. Arthur G. Johnson, Sr., Father, 9357 South Winchester Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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SILVER STAR (Posthumous Award).--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, 70, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class ALFRED T. SHROUT, 38479038, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 April 1945. Private First Class SHROUT, was an automatic rifleman of a small patrol which was dispatched to determine the strength and disposition of an enemy road block. The patrol suddenly received heavy machine gun and rifle fire and one of the members of the patrol fell wounded in an exposed position on the road. Private First Class SHROUT, on his own initiative and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, dashed to the side of the wounded man and, ignoring the intense enemy fire, picked up the wounded man and carried him in his arms to safety. Private First Class SHROUT's gallant actions and coolness under fire saved the life of a wounded man, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Private First Class SHROUT was killed in a subsequent engagement. Home Address: Mrs. Geneva ShROUT, wife, Talco, Texas.

Section II

BRONZE STAR (OAK LEAF CLUSTER) Award.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class HOMER G. STOOKSBURY, 34739380, as published in General Orders No. 187, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 19 May 1945, 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, 70, 1944).

Private First Class HOMER G. STOOKSBURY, 34739380, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 May 1945. With complete disregard for his own personal safety and fully aware of the dangers involved, Private First Class STOOKSBURY voluntarily exposed himself to enemy rifle and machine gun fire in order to go to the aid of a man who had been wounded and lay in the path of the enemy fire. Upon reaching him, Private First Class STOOKSBURY administered first aid, then with the aid of two other volunteers, carried him to a place of safety. The devotion to duty in face of grave danger, coolness under fire and disregard for personal safety displayed by Private First Class STOOKSBURY was an inspiration

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to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Nola Stooksbury, Mother, Route #1, Clinton, Tennessee.

Section III

AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, "D, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-1, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, "D, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel THOMAS J. BADGER, 0294635, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 12 January 1945 to 16 April 1945. Lieutenant Colonel BADGER flew in continuous observation and reconnaissance flights seeking enemy strength dispositions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. The devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Lieutenant Colonel BADGER in directing and adjusting artillery fire have been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points. Lieutenant Colonel BADGER's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Betty E. Badger, Wife, 304 East Atlantic Street, Emporia, Virginia.

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN S. HENSON, 0373483, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 12 January 1945 to 15 March 1945. Lieutenant Colonel HENSON flew in continuous observation and reconnaissance flights seeking enemy strength dispositions and directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. The devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Lieutenant Colonel HENSON in directing and adjusting artillery fire have been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points. Lieutenant Colonel HENSON's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Jean Benson, Wife, 3612 East "G" Street, Tacoma, Washington.

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AWARD OF FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.--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 the following named officers 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

14 March 1945

Sergeant LONNIE L. FRECKA, 39135417, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Richmond, California. (Page 2, General Orders No. 14, headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 8 February 1945).

17 March 1945

Sergeant PAUL E. GORE, 20736355, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mena, Arkansas. (Page 1, General Orders No. 47, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 4 March 1945).

23 March 1945

Staff Sergeant JAMES A. COE, 39299687, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hawthorne, California. (Section I, page 1, General Orders No. 78, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 27 March 1945).

24 March 1945

Private First Class WILBUR C. KILLINGER, 37567440, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: South St. Paul, Minnesota. (Section I, page 2, General Orders No. 33, headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 25 February 1945).

25 March 1945

First Lieutenant RAYMOND N. KLEIN, 01308040, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cuba City, Wisconsin. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 64, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 18 March 1945).

27 March 1945

Private MERIE V. GORMAN, 37673484, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Dodge, Iowa. (Page 1, General Orders No. 71, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 21 March 1945).

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First Lieutenant OLA A. KESSLER, 02043179, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Dallas, Oregon. (Page 1, General Orders No. 47, Headquarters
25th Infantry Division, 4 March 1945).

4 April 1945

Private First Class DENZEL L. BREWER, 35757821, Infantry, United States
Army. Home Address: Friendly, West Virginia. (Section II, page 1, General
Orders No. 188, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 18 May 1945).

9 April 1945

Private First Class PAUL A. LeBLANC, 38267694, Infantry, United States
Army. Home Address: Crowley, Louisiana. (Page 1, General Orders No. 14,
Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 8 February 1945).

23 April 1945

Sergeant FRANCIS J. LILLA, 37568445, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Winona, Minnesota. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 58,
Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 15 March 1945).

4 May 1945

Staff Sergeant ALBERT E. COOMBS, 31241307, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: New Bedford, Massachusetts. (Section II, page 2, General
Orders No. 94, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 3 April 1945).

11 May 1945

Staff Sergeant LEE R CAMERON, 39533069, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Los Angeles, California. (Page 1, General Orders No. 71,
Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 21 March 1945).

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23 June 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

28 April 1945

Private RUSSELL C. DAHLIN, 36916108, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

2 May 1945

Private LOYD D. LINDSEY, 35817367, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Allensville, Kentucky.

Private First Class WALTER B. PAINTER, 34599485, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Sylva, North Carolina.

13 May 1945

Private ROBERT J. NICHOLS, 34370696, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Chattanooga, Tennessee.

19 May 1945

Private GERALD O. FOFF, 36844889, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Coon Valley, Wisconsin.

23 May 1945

Sergeant BERNARD C. CZEPULONIS, 36804500, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

24 May 1945

Private First Class JAMES NEWBOLES, 38211721, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lake City, Arkansas.

27 May 1945

Sergeant MARION C. MINER, 35297312, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bellefontaine, Ohio.

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Private First Class LLVILL OSBORN, 35479251, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Brooksbury, Indiana.

28 May 1945

Private ELWIN L. HIFIELD, 36486835, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sparta, Michigan.

Private First Class MANUEL J. GARCIA, 39593248, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Berkeley, California.

Private First Class WILLIAM A. JOHNSON, 36920491, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Moline, Illinois.

30 May 1945

Private First Class THOMAS A. BASKIN, 39480256, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Lewis, Washington.

Private First Class ALOYSIUS C. WINKELMAN, 37616951, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Louis, Missouri.

1 June 1945

Private First Class RUSSELL H. FISCHER, 44032398, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Valley Head, Alabama.

Staff Sergeant EUGENE L. KLINE, 32029257, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Buffalo, New York.

5 June 1945

Private First Class ROGER A. HOLM, 37580317, Cavalry, United States Army. Home Address: Atwater, Minnesota.

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Section I

AWARD OF FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.--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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

13 April 1945

Sergeant LEROY B. HODGINS, 34241204, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sanford, Florida. (Section I, page 1, General Orders No. 102, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 6 April 1945).

27 April 1945

Private First Class RALPH R STEINER, 33694726, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Valencia, Pennsylvania. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 181, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 15 May 1945).

10 May 1945

Sergeant CLEMENT F. FILIPSKI, 13056113, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dickson, Pennsylvania. (Section II, page 1, General Orders No. 157, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 9 May 1945).

15 June 1945

First Lieutenant STANLEY A. DUSZCZYNSKI, 01304701, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gary, Indiana. (Section II, page 1, General Orders No. 197, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 24 May 1945).

Section II

AWARD 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

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17 January 1945

Sergeant **BERNARD P. SCHITT**, 37171393, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wahpeton, North Dakota.

7 February 1945

Private First Class **RICHARD L. CARDIUS**, 13066946, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

16 February 1945

Private First Class **GERALD H. PETERS**, 32940320, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Saranac Lake, New York.

18 February 1945

Second Lieutenant **DALLAS R. ROBERTS**, 02007506, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Howard, Kansas.

21 March 1945

Private First Class **ALBERT W. ENCEL**, 19019716, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hamilton, Montana.

6 April 1945

Private First Class **JEROME H. HANKE**, 37567837, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Blue Earth, Minnesota.

10 April 1945

First Lieutenant **CHARLES D. BUSH**, 01545203, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. Home Address: Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Sergeant **EARL MOORE**, 37134279, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Eunice, Missouri.

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Section II

AWARD 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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

18 April 1945

Private First Class POLICE MARGUM, 35646787, Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Verdunville, West Virginia.

19 April 1945

Sergeant WALTER E. DANA, 39010816, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Monterey, California.

21 April 1945

Technician Fourth Grade EDGAR B. CRANT, 36689940, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wayne, Pennsylvania.

14 May 1945

Private First Class ARNOLD M. GUERASSIO, 39134479, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Pittsburg, California.

16 May 1945

Private First Class JOHN T. MORGAN, 34989937, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Chattanooga, Tennessee.

17 May 1945

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM A. HARDING, 38284792, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dallas, Texas.

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26 May 1945

First Lieutenant DAVID S. FLETCHER, O353349, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

27 May 1945

Private First Class EDWARD C. HANNON, 12028187, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Staten Island, New York.

6 June 1945

Private First Class AMBROSE J. BUCANELLI, 42004185, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Newark, New Jersey.

11 June 1945

Private GERALD A. ANINA, 36919703, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

12 June 1945

Sergeant PETER H. DELFS, 37490278, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Rock Rapids, Iowa.

Private ELLER G. COSCHE, 35851070, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kent, Ohio.

Private First Class MALCOLM PHILLIPS, 38563994, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Private First Class RAYMOND J. PICCININO, 33806360, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD 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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

2 March 1945

Private First Class **ARTHUR L. WIGHT**, 6153665, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Malden, Massachusetts. (Page 2, General Orders No. 27, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 20 February 1945).

12 May 1945

Sergeant **LLOYD L. THE MAN**, 20724171, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wichita, Kansas. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 46, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 4 March 1945).

11 June 1945

Private First Class **VICTOR E. JANICK**, 39302100, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Portland, Oregon. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 94, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 3 April 1945).

Section II

AWARD 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

4 February 1945

Captain **ULRICH S. FESSLER**, 0366163, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Joseph, Missouri.

13 February 1945

Technician Fifth Grade **DONALD C. NEWTON**, 37029686, Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army. Home Address: Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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14 February 1945

Private ROJAND F. DENNIS, 39915256, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lewiston, Maine.

2 April 1945

Private First Class HOWARD L. ALBYCK, 42026658, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Branchport, New York.

Private First Class AMERICO C. A. DEMASI, 33700057, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Private THOMAS E. WILLIAMS, 20914443, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Arroyo Grande, California.

3 April 1945

First Lieutenant RUSSELL P. FERGUSON, 01295527, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Washington, District of Columbia.

13 April 1945

Staff Sergeant MARION G. KUCHAN, 37442997, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Rathbun, Iowa.

17 April 1945

First Lieutenant FRANK H. LEE, JR., 01310562, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade ALTON J. TORREY, 11017344, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bath, Maine.

22 April 1945

First Lieutenant GEORGE J. KRONENBERGER, 01312569, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New Orleans, Louisiana.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, ED, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Corporal VIRGIL E. NICHOLS, 37701277, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. Given the mission of destroying an emplaced and camouflaged enemy tank which was slowing the advance of a company, Corporal NICHOLS, Gunner, maneuvered to a position within twenty-five yards and directly in front of the tank. Suddenly another enemy tank, unobserved, opened fire from a clump of trees thirty yards away. Corporal NICHOLS, although suffering from shrapnel wounds in the face and arms, elected to remain with the M-7 and assist in an attempt to withdraw it, and to get the wounded men back for treatment. Disregarding the fire from the enemy tanks which was concentrated on the M-7, he stood with half his body exposed above the armored crew compartment and directed the M-7 between the logs and piles of debris which hindered the withdrawal. Corporal NICHOLS' devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all who witnessed his action and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Frank Nichols, Father, 3739 South Logan Street, Inglewood, California.

Technician Fourth Grade WILLIAM A. SAMARTINI, 35029201, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Crissis Samartini, Mother, 2591 Sq. Brook, University Heights, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH C. VRBANCIC, JR., 35162637, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Frances Vrbancic, Mother, 1513 - 121st Street, Whiting, Indiana.

Sergeant CLIFFORD W. WILLIAMS, 32041209, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Mother, 200 Elmer Avenue, Schenectady, New York.

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Technician Fourth Grade HERMAN WITTMAN, 20944576, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. Technician Fourth Grade WITTMAN, M-7 Driver, given the mission of destroying an emplaced and camouflaged enemy tank which was holding up the advance of a company, maneuvered to a position within twenty-five yards and directly in front of the tank. Suddenly another tank, unobserved, opened fire from a clump of bamboo thirty yards away. Technician Fourth Grade WITTMAN remained with the M-7 and maneuvered it back to a defiladed position. Technician Fourth Grade WITTMAN's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was instrumental in preventing the total destruction of valuable equipment and saving the life of a seriously wounded soldier. Home Address: Mrs. Katherine D. Wittman, Mother, 2514 Grand Avenue, Everett, Washington.

Staff Sergeant JOHN ZENYUK, 6719256, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. William Zenyuk, Father, 211 Lincoln Avenue, Woodbine, New Jersey.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, 1D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant HESTER M. DRUTSPECHER, 35167051, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy Rich, Sister, 31 North Linda Street, Hobart, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant FRANKLIN I. CRAIG, 6991887, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lovie Craig, Mother, General Delivery, Weston, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD L. EPPERSON, 35129103, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Area from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Mae Epperson, Mother, 1748 Fairmount Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sergeant ROBERT J. EYNON, 39077833, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Norace Eynon, Mother, Hailey, Idaho.

Staff Sergeant CARL W. GEFIAN, 36126501, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. George Dennings, Uncle, Butman Starr Route, Gladwin, Michigan.

Technical Sergeant RAYMOND J. HUGHES, 32015413, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. George Hughes, Father, 30-44 32nd Street, Astoria, Long Island, New York.

Private First Class GEORGE HEMBERGER, 35286731, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945.

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Private First Class HUBERGER was assigned as rifle protection to his platoon's scouts and its bazooka team while they found and destroyed an enemy tank which had been heard the preceding night. When his company commander came forward to the line, he was hit by a 47mm burst and fell seriously wounded in the line of fire of the enemy tank. With utter disregard for his personal safety, Private First Class HUBERGER crawled under fire to his side and dragged him into a nearby foxhole. Although wounded himself in the heel by flying shrapnel, he ignored his wound and administered first aid to the wounded officer until the arrival of an aid-man. He then helped carry him to the litter bearers. Private First Class HUBERGER's heroic conduct, in the face of grave danger, was an inspiration to all who witnessed his action and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Hazel I. Huberger, wife, Ojai, California.

Sergeant ROBERT W. LEWIS, 13037301, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February, 1945. Given the mission of destroying an emplaced and camouflaged enemy tank which was slowing the advance of a company, Sergeant LEWIS, Chief of Section, maneuvered his M-7 to a position within twenty-five yards and directly in front of the tank. Suddenly another enemy tank, unobserved, opened fire from a clump of bamboo thirty yards to the right. Sergeant LEWIS, although suffering from shrapnel wounds in the face and arms, elected to remain with the M-7 and assist in an attempt to withdraw it, and to get the wounded men back for treatment. Disregarding the fire from the enemy tanks which was concentrated on the M-7, he stood with half his body exposed above the armored crew compartment and directed the M-7 between the logs and piles of debris surrounding the mount. Sergeant LEWIS' devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all who witnessed his action and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Dorothy Stoner, Sister, 1236 Wisconsin Avenue, Dormont, Pennsylvania.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL:—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Sergeant EDWARD R. ANDERSEN, 6706704, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 2 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Augusta D. Andersen, Mother, 149 Arlington Avenue, Mariners Harbor, Staten Island, New York.

Technical Sergeant CLARENCE T. BENNETT, 6731557, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lapsu, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945. When two members of his platoon fell severely wounded in a particularly exposed position two hundred yards from the enemy position, Technical Sergeant BENNETT unhesitatingly left his position and went to their aid across seventy-five yards of flat, coverless terrain swept by enemy machine gun and rifle fire, and under heavy mortar barrage. Though the enemy began to concentrate their fire upon the group, he calmly helped to administer first aid, and then assisted in dragging the two wounded men to a safe position. Technical Sergeant BENNETT's heroic action was a credit to himself and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Edith Baldry, Mother, Box 473, Omro, Wisconsin.

Section II

AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain CLARENCE R. LLEWELLYN, 02042995, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 1 March 1945 to 1 June 1945. Captain LLEWELLYN flew and observed in operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Captain LLEWELLYN's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. G. V. Llewellyn, Mother, 916 E. 3rd Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

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Captain ROBERT MITCHELL, JR., 0280355, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 3 March 1945 to 30 May 1945. Captain MITCHELL flew and observed in operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets, and reconnoitering unmapped terrain. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy installations by well directed artillery fire. Captain MITCHELL's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Elinore Mitchell, Wife, 4105 Dellingham Street, North Hollywood, California.

Major HAMILTON S. OVEN, 0653876, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 10 February 1945 to 14 May 1945. Major OVEN flew and observed in operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets, and reconnoitering unmapped terrain. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy installations by well directed artillery fire. Major OVEN's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Kathryn T. Oven, Wife, 801 Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida.

Captain NORMAN L. SMITH, 0630125, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 15 January 1945 to 2 May 1945. Captain SMITH flew and observed in operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy installations. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Captain SMITH's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Elmer T. Smith, Father, Route 3, Rochelle, Illinois.

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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain MALCOLM H. BAKER, 01166690, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 2 May 1945 to 30 May 1945. Captain BAKER flew and observed in operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets, and reconnoitering unmapped terrain. His superior professional skill and ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Capt'n BAKER's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Helen J. Baker, Mother, 307 Webb Place, Newark, Ohio.

Major WILLIAM R. COLE, 0357282, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 10 February 1945 to 30 April 1945. Major COLE, voluntarily participated in frequent aerial flights on reconnaissance missions. In order to secure first hand and accurate information, it was necessary to fly at low altitudes, subjecting himself to enemy small arms fire. The information secured by Captain COLE on these flights proved to be of inestimable value in enabling him to base his tactical decisions. The devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Captain COLE reflects credit upon himself and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Maxine Cole, Wife, 19 East Dickson Street, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Captain JOSEPH F. DOYLE, 0376050, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 20 January 1945 to 10 May 1945. Captain DOYLE flew and observed in operational and reconnaissance flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions were of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. The services of Captain DOYLE reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Alpha B. Doyle, Mother, 458 South Gaylord Street, Denver, Colorado.

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Captain CLARENCE A. FRAZER, 0289025, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 10 February 1945 to 19 May 1945. Captain FRAZER flew and observed in operational and reconnaissance flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions were of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. The services of Captain FRAZER reflects credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. C. A. Frazer, Wife, Grant Park, Illinois.

First Lieutenant THOMAS J. GORMAN, 01183853, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 20 January 1945 to 29 January 1945. Lieutenant GORMAN flew and observed in operational and reconnaissance flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions were of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. The services of First Lieutenant GORMAN reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. John L. Gorman, Father, 81 Johnson Avenue, Dumont, New Jersey.

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CAPTAIN HUBERT M. LEWIS, O134097, General Staff Corps, this headquarters, is announced as Acting Assistant Chief of Staff G-2.

Section II

AWARD OF FIRST BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART.—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 the following named officer and enlisted man 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

23 April 1945

First Lieutenant GEORGE K. GRANT, O1315927, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Francisco, California. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 134, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 7 May 1945).

1 June 1945

Staff Sergeant ROY GARNER, 34101184, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Vinemont, Alabama. (Page 1, General Orders No. 12, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 6 February 1945).

Section III

AWARD 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

25 March 1945

Technical Sergeant PHILIP ADLER, 6150021, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hartford, Connecticut.

26 April 1945

Private LEO C. STEWART, 36712187, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Blackwell, Oklahoma.

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28 April 1945

Private LEROY G. LEAD, 36916443, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

29 April 1945

Private First Class LEO M. MCCARTHY, 32851560, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Green Island, New York.

7 May 1945

Staff Sergeant GEORGE N. GROVE, 13030190, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: York, Pennsylvania.

11 May 1945

Private CHARLES F. GUTSMIEDL, 36967723, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

27 May 1945

Private First Class GLENN H. BRADSHAW, 37776422, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Alden, Minnesota.

Private First Class BENJAMIN S. CARILLI, 33784561, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class JAMES E. COPE, 34450194, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: McMinnville, Tennessee.

Private ELANDER B. STEINBERGER, 36847933, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Star Prairie, Wisconsin.

Private First Class LEROY PICKENS, JR., 39935295, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Salt Lake City, Utah.

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Corporal (then Private First Class) FRANCIS J. ROY, 31069963, Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. Corporal ROY, a wireman with a forward observer's party, after an infantry company he was accompanying pushed back by a sudden enemy counterattack leaving vitally needed telephone and wire communication behind, with utter disregard for his own personal safety and on his own initiative, crossed open terrain under heavy enemy machine gun fire coming from three positions, picked up the telephone and wire communication and carried it back to safety of friendly lines. Corporal ROY's gallant actions, above and beyond the call of duty were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Laura Roy, Mother, 36 McRose Avenue, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Private First Class ROBERT W. RYAN, 20616966, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 30 March 1945. Private First Class RYAN was serving as ammunition carrier when an infantry company was attempting a flanking movement of a well camouflaged enemy position on a hill. The enemy suddenly opened fire causing many casualties to our force. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Private First Class RYAN, on his own initiative and in full view of the enemy machine gun positions, dragged a wounded comrade a distance of 30 yards to a place of safety. He then returned twice more to help rescue more wounded men. Although an aid man who was accompanying him was wounded and forced to return, Private First Class RYAN alone continued with the rescue of the wounded until it was dark. Private First Class RYAN's gallant actions, coolness under fire and personal bravery were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mr. William A. Ryan, Father, 7201 Morrill Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Captain (then First Lieutenant) KENNETH E. YATES, 0372738, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 9 May 1945. Captain YATES, a

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commander of a company attacking an enemy strongpoint, in full view and under direct fire of the enemy, advanced directly into the front lines and personally directed the fire of bazookas and rifle grenades, resulting in the destruction of an enemy machine gun that was holding up the progress of the company. When the advance was resumed, he personally moved forward with the leading elements and remained with them until the strongpoint was reduced. Captain YATES' gallant actions, coolness and calmness under enemy fire and superior leadership were an inspiration to his entire company and in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Eleanor Yates, Wife, 303 South 3rd Street, Watseka, Illinois.

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AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Third Grade **LOUIS O. FOERSCHLER**, 32742961, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Margaret A. Foerschler, Wife, 85 Cannon Street, Poughkeepsie, New York.

Staff Sergeant **WILLIAM F. GORRY**, 37370452, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 November 1944 to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Rita V. Gorry, Wife, 5936 Pamplin Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

Technician Fourth Grade **JOHN V. HINELY**, 34546302, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Robert I. Hinely, Father, 345 N. 44th Street, Miami, Florida.

Technician Fourth Grade **HAROLD J. LAKE**, 37561188, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Jessamine F. Lake, Wife, 3733 Sheridan Blvd., Denver, Colorado.

Technician Fourth Grade **BENJAMIN W. LENTZ**, 37114946, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. William A. Schmeling, Uncle, 107 1/2 Broadway Street, Watertown, South Dakota.

Captain **NICHOLAS LINDERMAN**, 0474114, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Adolphine P. Linderman, Wife, 600 E. Amherst Street, Buffalo, New York.

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Captain WILLIAM L. MacVANE, JR., 0530266, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Patricia G. MacVane, Wife, 64 Highland Road, South Portland, Maine.

Captain FRANCIS J. MENAPACE, 0471968, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea and Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 November 1944 to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. La Rue A. Menapace, Wife, 24 Maderia Avenue, Natalie, Pennsylvania.

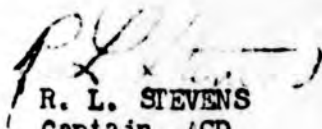
Technical Sergeant LEE R. RODGERS, 37255179, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Maxine M. Rodgers, Wife, 623 E. 8th Street, Newton, Kansas.

Technician Fifth Grade CARL H. WALKENHORST, 37613771, Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 29 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Walkenhorst, Mother, 2130 N. 5th Street, St. Charles, Missouri.

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

Captain PAUL C. MILTENBERGER, 0436236, Medical Corps, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 April 1945. When a platoon sergeant was wounded on the forward slope of a knoll which was under attack by friendly forces, Captain MILTENBERGER, who was administering treatment immediately behind the firing line, on his own initiative, with complete disregard for his own personal safety in the face of intense enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, went to the wounded man and with the aid of an assistant, dragged him to a point of slightly better cover where he administered first aid and blood plasma. Then, under the continuing sporadic mortar fire, he and his assistant carried the wounded man 800 yards over extremely precipitous terrain to the battalion aid station from which the wounded man was evacuated. Captain MILTENBERGER's gallant action and devotion to duty in saving the life of a wounded man was an inspiration to all who witnessed him, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. R. E. Miltenberger, Brother, 3 Grove Avenue, Webster Groves, Mississippi.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM A. O'CALLAGHAN, 02023759, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Pantabangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 February 1945. When 20 enemy attacked a platoon of reconnaissance troops along a ridge with fixed bayonet, two of them closed in on Second Lieutenant O'CALLAGHAN, one making a bayonet thrust which missed him. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, he held his position and effectively diverted the remainder of the enemy with his intense rifle fire to allow his patrol to safely withdraw before he gave ground. The information gained on the patrol enabled the platoon leader to plan an intelligent attack which resulted in 20 more of the enemy being killed. At a time when enemy pressure was again threatening, the platoon leader was wounded by enemy mortar fragments. Second Lieutenant O'CALLAGHAN then organized a successful withdrawal in the face of heavy enemy mortar, rifle and machine gun fire and brought the platoon out without further casualties. Second Lieutenant O'CALLAGHAN's gallant actions, devotion to duty and coolness under fire was an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Jack O'Callaghan, Father, 2927 First Street, Sacramento, California.

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Technician Third Grade GORGONIO P. QUIBA, 33319081, Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Tacloban, Leyte, and Pantabangan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 25 October 1944 and 14 April 1945. On 25 October 1944 during repeated bombing and strafing attacks on the dock area at Tacloban, Leyte, Technician Third Grade QUIBA exposed himself repeatedly above and beyond the call of duty in order to render first aid to many casualties caused by these almost ceaseless attacks. During one such attack, he continued to aid the wounded, giving treatment despite the fact that he was suffering from multiple wounds of the face and chest received from bomb fragments and refused evacuation until all casualties had been treated. On 14 April 1945, while he was supervising the construction details of a civilian hospital on Luzon, four enemy planes attacked dropping eight bombs in and around the town, causing many casualties. Despite the danger of further attacks, he immediately rendered first aid to the wounded, preventing further loss of life, directing the collection of the casualties, and aiding in organizing the evacuation. Technician Third Grade QUIBA's gallant actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed them, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Sebastian Quiba, Father, Pototan, Iloilo, Philippine Islands.

Staff Sergeant LUTHER RHODEN, 14027651, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. Staff Sergeant RHODEN, a machine gun squad leader, when the enemy attacked the positions of a mortar section in the dark of night, calmly analyzed the situation, holding their fire until a favorable moment and directed it upon the enemy. While exposed to intense enemy fire and shell fragments from our own mortars, he adjusted fire to within 25 yards of his own position causing confusion within the enemy ranks. At this time he ordered his machine guns to fire which resulted in complete routing of the enemy. Staff Sergeant RHODEN's gallant actions, coolness under enemy fire and superior leadership were an inspiration to all who observed him and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Toxie Rhoden, Mother, RFD 2, Jasper, Florida.

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

Sergeant ROBERT C. GILMAN, -31303697, Armored, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Sergeant GILMAN, a tank commander, was ordered to the front line CP with his tank to give support to infantry units operating there. Due to rain the roads were so slippery that a bulldozer had to push the tank over the line of departure. Sergeant GILMAN, finding the tank immobilized because of these conditions, dismounted under heavy sniper, machine gun and mortar fire to return to his CP for the aid of an armored bulldozer. Under constant enemy fire, he succeeded in connecting tow cables to the bulldozer and the immovable tank. Sergeant GILMAN's gallant actions saved a valuable tank and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service; Home Address: Mrs. Margaret Gilman, Mother, 17 Essex Avenue, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Private First Class JAMES HOGAN, JR., 38495439, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 April 1945. While an infantry company was improving defensive positions on a ridge, the enemy suddenly opened fire with 90mm mortars, mortally wounding one and seriously wounding two other soldiers. Private First Class Hogan, serving as ammunition carrier on his own initiative and while exposed to enemy fire, rendered first aid and bandaged the 3 wounded soldiers. Seeing other wounded riflemen lying nearby, he left his fox-hole and while under fire of the enemy, dressed the wounds of 9 more men. He then went 20 yards behind a ridge and brought up a machine gun to replace the gun that had been destroyed. With the help of some other men, he removed the wounded soldiers to safety. Private First Class HOGAN's gallant actions and devotion to duty saved the lives of several wounded men, inspiring all who witnessed him in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth Hogan, Mother, 2522 Palmyra Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sergeant IESTER O. JOHNSON, 36821527, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 February 1945. When an artillery officer was wounded while attempting to set up an observation post, Sergeant JOHNSON, seeing that the wounded officer still lay in the path of an enemy machine gun, unhesitatingly and with disregard to his own personal safety moved to the wounded officers

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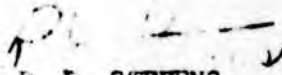
side, dressed his wound and carried him to a better covered position. Once there, he and another man further treated the officer and improvised a litter on which they carried him to a nearby road where two attempts to cross were met by fierce enemy machine gun and rifle fire. Disregarding the hail of enemy bullets, Sergeant JOHNSON placed the wounded officer on his back and struggled across the road to a point of safety where he ordered a litter from the nearest aid station and evacuated the wounded officer. Sergeant JOHNSON's gallant action in saving the life of a wounded officer was an inspiration to all who witnessed it, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Angela Johnson, Wife, 614 Isabella Street, Neenah Wisconsin.

Private First Class ROBERT MARK, 39004790, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Mimuli, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 11 April 1945. Private First Class MARK was serving as wireman with an 81mm Mortar team when it was suddenly fired on by enemy machine guns and rifles. A frontal attack being the only alternative after a flanking movement had failed, the patrol began to advance cautiously when it was pinned down under the fire of two machine guns, wounding a platoon sergeant. Private First Class MARK, on his own initiative and with full knowledge of the danger involved, volunteered to go to the aid of the wounded man who lay under the cross-fire of the enemy machine guns. Skillfully maneuvering between rocks and jumping across open areas, exposed all the while to intense machine gun, rifle and grenade fire, he reached the casualty and returned to report that the man was dead, also reporting information as to disposition of enemy positions so as mortar fire could be brought on the enemy. Private First Class MARK's gallant actions, above and beyond his normal duties, were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Isabel Mark, Mother, 1493 22nd Avenue, San Francisco, California.

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Section I

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub 3, 70, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ROY C. CHARRETTE, 39231396, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Digdig, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 March 1945. Staff Sergeant CHARRETTE, leading two squads to clean up a strong enemy pocket of resistance, personally took the lead and advanced down into a draw where his force was pinned down by sniper fire from camouflaged positions supporting a large enemy cave. Because of the dangerous rifle fire, his demolition team hesitated to go forward to destroy the cave. Without benefit of covering fire, he crawled 25 yards exposed to continuous sniper fire to a position near the cave. Two enemy riflemen rushed him from the cave, but before they could fire he killed both of them. He then threw a pole charge into the cave killing two more of the enemy and destroying large amounts of food and ammunition. Staff Sergeant CHARRETTE's gallant actions, above and beyond the call of duty, reflected great credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. John R. Charrette, Father, 70 Jackson Street, Denver, Colorado.

Private First Class JOSE P. CORDOVA, 38352563, Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. Attacking a strong enemy position, the assault companies of Private First Class CORDOVA's battalion suffered many casualties. Throughout the entire day he ranged over the entire battalion front, treating the wounded. Several times he crossed 75 yards or more of flat open ground swept by heavy enemy machine gun and 47mm fire to reach wounded men in exposed positions applying tourniquets and splints. Despite the dangers involved, he continued treating the wounded until he himself was seriously wounded and left for dead on the battlefield. Regaining consciousness later, he applied a tourniquet to his own shattered arm, and crawled back to his unit's line. Private First Class CORDOVA's gallant actions, unselfish courage, his high devotion to duty at the risk of his own life and his calm efficiency under fire, saved the lives of several wounded soldiers, reflecting great credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Joe Cordova, Father, Taos Pueblo, Taos, New Mexico.

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) CYRUS J. DREW, 0349968, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5, 6 and 7 February 1945. During this period Lieutenant Colonel DREW made many reconnaissance trips to the front and reconnoitered routes of approach and the location of enemy positions. On 6 February he went to a company area where the fighting was the most intense

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and the greatest difficulty in locating the enemy positions was being experienced. He accompanied the Company Commander on a reconnaissance in front of the lines to insure the success of the operations. On 7 February he again went forward to lead and coordinate the assault companies. With disregard to his own personal safety he exposed himself in an open rice paddy to intense cannon, machine gun and rifle fire. He located an enemy tank in a bamboo thicket and personally directed the assault that destroyed it. Lieutenant Colonel DREW's gallant actions, devotion to duty was an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Clarence Drew, Wife, 140 King Street, Wallace, Idaho.

First Lieutenant JAMES E. DUMFORD, 01171521, Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lomboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 and 14 February 1945. First Lieutenant DUMFORD was leading his forward observer's party to join an infantry unit when they were ambushed by an enemy outpost. During the surprise ambush, he and four others were wounded. In spite of his wounds, First Lieutenant DUMFORD elected to remain in an unprotected area to give covering fire for the withdrawal of the other wounded men to a nearby ravine. After his men had withdrawn safely, he organized his party for the night. First Lieutenant DUMFORD's gallant actions, devotion to duty and his complete disregard for his personal safety were an inspiration to his unit in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. F. M. Dumford, Mother, 1663 1/2 Butler Street, Los Angeles, California.

Section II

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

Technician Fifth Grade MORTON C. SHEETS, 15013463, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 15 January 1945 to 6 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Faye Walters, Sister, Route #1, Ridwell, Ohio.

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Section I

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

Staff Sergeant BILLY LOPEZ, 6955668, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 23 January 1945. When a combat patrol from his company was ordered to advance over open exposed ground to secure a foothold on the southern end of the town, Staff Sergeant LOPEZ, rifle platoon guide, volunteered to act as an advance scout. After successfully guiding his unit through machine gun fire over ground that offered a minimum of cover, he led them into the south end of the town where they were pinned down by sniper fire. With disregard to his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant LOPEZ skillfully maneuvered around to the rear of the harassing enemy, killing two of them. This action cleared the way for further successful operations of the platoon. Staff Sergeant LOPEZ's gallant actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Natividad Lopez, Mother, Los Lunas, New Mexico.

Private CHARLES V. SCOTT, 38571131, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 April 1945. After a platoon had probed forward in an effort to secure the commanding ground of a hill, an enemy machine gun opened fire on them. Private SCOTT, with complete disregard for his own personal safety after being wounded and refusing evacuation for medical attention, maneuvered forward in an attempt to destroy the enemy gun. He was mortally hit a second time and killed by an enemy sniper's bullet in his gallant effort to destroy the enemy gun. Private SCOTT's gallant action, disregard for his own welfare, superior determination and leadership served as an incentive to all who observed him and were greatly influential in pressing the attack of his platoon. Home Address: Mrs. Eva Pearl Scott, Mother, 1815 Peerless Street, Apartment 20, Richmond, California.

Section II

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).--By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Second Lieutenant GEORGE E. RAY, O2007501, as published in General Orders No. 79, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 28 March 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 (Bul 43, WD, 1918).

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First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant) GEORGE E. RAY, O2007501, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 March 1945. When two enemy infiltration units established a road block between Lieutenant RAY's platoon and another platoon, cutting the supply route and communication lines between them and threatened the left flank of the battalion, one platoon led by him attacked and completely destroyed one of the enemy blocks while the other platoon launched an attack on the second block. Lieutenant RAY learned by phone that during the latter action a platoon leader and all of his non-commissioned officers were wounded and could no longer direct the attack. Finding it impossible for him to effectively lead his force through the tropical grass and rain forest up a steep bank, Lieutenant RAY left his platoon in position under the leadership of a platoon sergeant and worked his way down a draw around the enemy block and succeeded in reaching the endangered platoon in time to reorganize the remaining men. Quickly organizing his men, he led a charge on the enemy positions in the face of strong enemy fire, completely destroying the block and killing fifteen of the enemy. First Lieutenant RAY's gallant actions and aggressive leadership were an inspiration to all, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Erma R. Ray, Mother, Route 4, Box 48 E., Visalia, California.

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Section I

AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9258, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Captain RALPH E. LIPSCOMB, 01167090, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 20 January 1945 to 20 May 1945. Captain LIPSCOMB flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and extremely dangerous enemy positions on vital tactical reconnaissance necessary to the operations of his unit. His cool courage and ability to evaluate the terrain and enemy installations under hazardous conditions were materially responsible for the success of the Division in numerous engagements. Captain LIPSCOMB's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ralph E Lipscomb, Mother, 216 E Burgess Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Captain HAROLD W. SMITH, 0422371, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 15 January 1945 to 1 May 1945. Captain SMITH flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and extremely dangerous enemy positions on vital tactical reconnaissance necessary to the operations of his unit. His cool courage and ability to evaluate the terrain and enemy installations under hazardous conditions were materially responsible for the success of the Division in numerous engagements. Captain SMITH's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Frank Smith, Mother, 742 East Moses, Cushing, Oklahoma.

Section II

BRONZE STAR AWARDS—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 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 MERRILL C. FUTCH, 0342788, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1942 to 1 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Bessie Futch, Wife, Box #62, Starke, Florida.

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Captain ROBERT B. GUNNING, 0326949, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas during the period 6 August 1942 to 1 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Eleonore A. Gunning, Wife, 518 Shawnee, Norman, Oklahoma.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD H. REEL, 6969620, Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 13 January 1945 to 1 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Eula S. Reel, Mother, 33 South Madison Street, Marion, North Carolina.

Technician Third Grade KENNETH M. UNI, 19066254, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 11 January 1945 to 4 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Edward Tsuruta, Friend, 4844 N. Winthrop Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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Section I

PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

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 the following named enlisted men by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, for additional wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

28 April 1945

Private First Class JOHN N. ST. CLAIR, (17082413), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Vinton, Iowa. (Section II, page 1, General Orders No. 174, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 14 May 1945).

3 May 1945

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH E. WILLIAMS, (6975751), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cadyville, New York. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 80, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 28 March 1945).

18 May 1945

Sergeant WILLIAM L. ALEXANDER, (38371996), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Snyder, Texas. (Page 1, General Orders No. 34, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 26 February 1945).

2 June 1945

Private First Class HOLLIE B. WADE, (38084697), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Calhan, Colorado. (Page 1, General Orders No. 34, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 26 February 1945).

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the

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following named enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

18 January 1945

Technician Fourth Grade CLAUDE J. DANAHER, (3730492), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Caledonia, Minnesota.

17 February 1945

Corporal CLAUDE SANDERS, (17045323), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Louis, Missouri.

25 March 1945

Private First Class DUDLEY C. DIGGS, (13032081), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Trevilian, Virginia.

6 April 1945

Private First Class WALTER H. GABBERT, III, (35757107), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Section III

RESCISSION OF GENERAL ORDERS

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1. So much of Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 197, this headquarters, cs, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart to Private ARTHUR F. BRAND, (39599949), Infantry, is revoked.
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SILVER STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, 1D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class JOHN A. KOUHOUT, (3123436), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 8 May 1945. Private First Class Kouhout, as acting squad leader during an attack, placed his machine gun in position and was beginning to deliver a covering fire under which friendly riflemen could advance, when a sniper wounded two men of his squad. He called immediately for aid men and a litter for one of the men who had been seriously wounded, but because of the intensity of the enemy fire, the aid men were unable to reach the gun position. Seeing that the wounded man needed immediate attention, he called to the aid men to throw him their aid packs and, ignoring the heavy fire, proceeded calmly to dress the wound himself. Having administered first aid, he noticed that one of the men was losing blood rapidly and had to be evacuated. Still under the intense enemy fire, he dragged the wounded man to a position where the aid men could reach him. Private First Class Kouhout's gallant actions and coolness under fire were responsible for saving the life of a wounded man, reflecting credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Wilbur Kouhout, (Father), Beaver Brook, Danbury, Connecticut.

Corporal GARLAND F. PHILLIPS, (35765103), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 May 1945. Corporal Phillips was assistant squad leader of a squad under fire from enemy 77mm artillery fire. After the first shell, the assigned driver of a truck loaded with demolitions abandoned his truck in the area. Corporal Phillips, realizing what a direct hit on the truck would do, with disregard for his own personal safety voluntarily and upon his own initiative drove the truck through an enemy artillery concentration. Further realizing that the least error in the dark while driving on the narrow, wet, slippery combat road would mean a crash taking him to his death. Corporal Phillips' gallant actions and quick thinking protected the lives of his comrades, was an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Iva E. Phillips, (Mother), Box 61, Bellaire, Ohio.

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Private First Class JAMES J. TOMM, (31358550), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Puncan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 February 1945. Private First Class Tomm was a rifleman of a patrol sent out to establish a trail block and cut communication lines. After accomplishing this mission they began to dig in, but were interrupted by a sudden burst of enemy grazing machine gun fire, wounding two men and forcing the patrol to withdraw. Among the patrol's seriously wounded was its radio operator, whose radio, had been abandoned in the withdrawal. Private First Class Tomm, without benefit of cover, ran 20 yards through rapid machine gun, rifle and mortar fire, picked up the radio and returned to the patrol. Private First Class Tomm's gallantry and quick thinking made it possible to give information as to the disposition of the enemy to higher headquarters and to bring stretcher parties to evacuate the wounded. Private First Class Tomm's actions reflect credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Isabel Tomm, (Mother), 19 Dean Street, Norwood, Massachusetts.

Technician Fourth Grade YUNG M. L. YOUNG, (30101033), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 March 1945. Technician Fourth Grade Young, a cook, with another soldier, was in the bed of a truck serving the noon meal to members of a construction gang when an enemy group opened fire with hand grenades, rifles and machine guns. A hand grenade landed in the truck wounding him in the leg and mortally wounding the other soldier. Rather than withdraw to the security of a defiladed position which was only 20 feet away and abandon his wounded comrade, he remained and, in the face of strong enemy fire, coolly returned fire first with the wounded man's weapon then his own. During a lull in the enemy fire, he assisted in carrying the wounded man to safety. Technician Fourth Grade Young's gallant action and coolness under fire were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Anne Pang Young, (Friend), 155 Milo Lane, Honolulu, T.H.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Pub 43, 1D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class LUTHER B. BOATRIGHT, (38533750), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 and 7 May 1945. Private First Class Boatright operated a bulldozer opening a main supply route on a road where soil characteristics prevented mine detection. Realizing that mines in the road had damaged two tanks, after the road had been subjected to normal methods of mine detection, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, he bravely and courageously continued to operate his bulldozer. The explosion of a mine rendered the bulldozer unserviceable and injured Private First Class Boatright. Private First Class Boatright's gallant actions and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Estilda Boatright, (Mother), Route 5, Greenville, Texas.

Sergeant GLEN A. CHERRY, (15081582), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. During a furious night counterattack on the perimeter of a company, a machine gun suffered a direct hit, knocking out the crew. Sergeant (then Corporal) Cherry, acting machine gun squad leader, on his own initiative and in the face of heavy enemy rifle, machine gun and mortar fire, went to the gun position. Finding that the gun was temporarily out of action, he alternately worked on the stoppage and fired his rifle at the advancing enemy. He succeeded in putting the machine gun back into action in time to repulse several of the enemy who had taken advantage of the pause, and were working up the trail toward the perimeter. Sergeant Cherry's gallant actions and devotion to duty, undoubtedly prevented a break-through of the perimeter, and was an inspiration to all, reflecting credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Callie Cherry, (Mother), Fairmont, Illinois.

Sergeant FRANCIS E. DALTON, (15090947), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Kepintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 April 1945. Sergeant (then Technician Fourth Grade) Dalton, bulldozer operator, when it was necessary to construct a road so tanks could join an attack, without hesitation volunteered fully aware of the dangers involved. With complete disregard to his

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own personal safety, while in full view and under direct fire of an enemy machine gun, rifle and mortar fire, he constructed a road down a steep hill in order to permit a friendly tank to maneuver into position to bring neutralizing fire to bear upon the enemy. When the tank's ammunition was expended, he again drove into the enemy fire in order to assist the tank back up the steep incline. Bullets from the enemy machine guns and rifles passed through the ventilator hatch and vision slit of the bulldozer, wounding him and also hitting a vital part of the dozer engine. When repairs were being made he received first aid treatment for his wound and immediately returned to his bulldozer and succeeded in pulling the tank to a place of cover. Sergeant Dalton's gallant actions, far above and beyond the call of duty, were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Marie L. Dalton, (Mother), Haidenville, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant EDWARD F. DAVIS, (7024398), Field Artillery, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Pomicento, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 January 1945. Staff Sergeant Davis, while acting as wire corporal, though radio communications were being utilized at the time, in the face of enemy artillery, mortar and rifle fire, laid and maintained vital wire as an alternate means of communication to the Liaison Officer and Forward Observer who were directing artillery fire to repel an attack. The lines were severed several times, but Staff Sergeant Davis repeatedly traversed the open terrain, to repair each break. Staff Sergeant Davis' gallant action and devotion to duty was an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Anna D. Frenzel, (Mother), 5137 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT

~~**FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT O. SNELL, (01298277), Infantry, this head-**~~
~~**quarters, is announced as Special Service Officer vice MAJOR JOHN B. PARKER,**~~
~~**(0271347), Infantry, relieved.**~~

Section II

BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant GEORGE E. TAYLOR, (6391679), infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 3 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Christine Charles, (Mother), RFD #1, Ware Shoals, South Carolina.

Sergeant JOHN E. WOJTSECK, (7022226), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Mike Wojtseck, (Father), RFD #1, Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant RUDOLPH YETT, (6710737), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 9 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Matilda Yett, (Wife), 470 Lanikula Street, St. Hico, Hawaii, T. H.

Section III

BRONZE STAR--Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), and Letter, AG 200.6, Subject: "Awards of Filipino Personnel", Headquarters Sixth Army, dated 1 June 1945, a Bronze Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class JOVITO CABALATAN, First Guerrilla Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Cauco, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 March 1945. Private First Class

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Cabawatan, was acting squad leader of a patrol sent on a mission to contact the enemy, determine its strength and locate enemy gun emplacements which had been harrassing their positions. Suddenly he and two other members of the patrol came upon enemy foxholes where entrenched enemy fired at them with automatic rifles and rifles. He promptly threw a hand grenade into a foxhole killing five enemy soldiers instantly. An enemy sniper concealed in the underbrush shot and seriously wounded him as he was crawling to another foxhole nearby. With disregard to his wounds, he tried to throw another grenade at the enemy foxhole. Failing in his efforts, he struggled out into a safe place where he was picked up and evacuated. Private First Class Cabawatan's heroic actions and quick thinking were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address; Rizal, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JAMES A. MCKLEVIS, (6982092), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 13 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Ellen N. McKlevis, (Mother), 759 McKinley Place, Elmira, New York.

Staff Sergeant MILLIE T. McSWAIN, (7005513), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 13 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Minnie McSwain, (Mother), Route #1, Forest City, North Carolina.

Sergeant JOHN HINGAK, (12008628), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. John Hingak, (Father), 325 Kessel Street, Marton, West Virginia.

Staff Sergeant JAMES P. MORGAN, (6714451), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 18 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Laura Parker, (Sister), 1411 Chesapeake Road, Camden, New Jersey.

Staff Sergeant PAUL F. NELSON, (6259348), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 3 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth C. Nelson, (Mother), Box #622, Athens, Texas.

Technical Sergeant FRESTON A. PARKER, (6266251), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. James C. Parker, (Father), General Delivery, Brownfield, Texas.

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Technical Sergeant GEORGE L. POPE, (6979754), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 7 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Etta Mae Pope, (Mother), RFD #2, Alamo, Georgia.

Technical Sergeant JOHN H. ROGERS, (6395892), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Leone Rogers, (Mother), Route #1, Dublin, Georgia.

Staff Sergeant LEVI J. SANTAW, (11015545), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 14 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. George L. Santaw, (Father), North Troy, Vermont.

Sergeant EDWIN SCHILLING, (6274603), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. George Schilling, (Father), 1007 East 8th Street, Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant FELIX C. SMITH, (6661777), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 14 March 1945. Home Address: Lola B. Smith, (Mother), Route #6, Smithville, Tennessee.

Technical Sergeant DAVID W. STEWART, (6999779), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Thurman Stewart, (Mother), Torrance, Pennsylvania.

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

Staff sergeant JOSEPH C. GAWOR, (6990771), Infantry, United States Army, (for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 15 May 1945.) Home Address: Mrs. Anthony Gawor, (Mother), Route #1, Box #43, Hobart, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant L. J. HERRIN, (7007193), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lona Herrin, (Mother), 3221 Dolon Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

Technical Sergeant JACK F. HOLTON, (6948228), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 24 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Carrie V. Holton, (Mother), Box #503, Petersburg, Virginia.

Staff Sergeant JOHN KORZUP, (6781617), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 3 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Bertha Popkowski, (Sister), Box #861, Creighton, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant LOUIS KUPCAK, JR., (6271284), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 10 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Frank Ondry, (Brother-in-law), RFD #1, West, Texas.

Captain GEORGE W. LAMPECHT, (0351643), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 10 January 1943 to 27 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Roberta K. Lambrecht, (Mother), 3738 81st Street, Jackson Heights, New York City, New York.

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Staff Sergeant CHARLES B. LOWE, (6571465), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 11 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Marie Lowe, (Wife), Box #429, Wahiawa, Oahu, T.H.

First Sergeant GEORGE MACIN, (6852041), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 14 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Bobshak, (Sister), 123 Shingiss Street, McKees Rock, Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant FRED L. MATTER (6949343), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 5 March 1945. Home Address: Mr. Mark L. Matter, (Father), 330 Church Street, Hillersburg, Pennsylvania.

Technical Sergeant CHARLES MELVIN, (6629550), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 3 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Amanda Swiger, (Mother), 23 South Main Street, Printsville, Kentucky.

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM R. McDONALD, (6295724), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 3 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Virginia H. McDonald, (Mother), Route #6, Box #473-B, Texarkana, Texas.

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BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Staff Sergeant Stanley D. Adams (6582233), as published in General Orders No. 24, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 30 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Staff Sergeant STANLEY D. ADAMS, (6581283), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January 1945 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lula T. Adams (Mother), Box 388, Vernal, Utah.

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BRONZE STAR--Awards

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

Staff Sergeant GERALD ADELL, (6149220), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 13 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Isabel Adell (Mother), Readfield Depot, Maine.

Technical Sergeant JOHN M. BELL, JR., (6396819), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 14 March 1945. Home Address: Mr. John M. Bell, Sr., (Father), Route 2, Donalds, South Carolina.

Sergeant ALFIO V. DISPENSA, (6152340), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 14 March 1945. Home Address: Mr. Vincent Dispensa (Father), 202 Garfield Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

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First Sergeant JAMES R. DUNCAN, (6295291), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Lee McKinney, (Grandfather), Route #1, Lorena, Texas.

Master Sergeant JOSEPH R. DUNHAM, (17012292), Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: 1708 9th Street, Aurora, Nebraska.

Technical Sergeant MARLO D. FANSLER, (6093898), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 13 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. William B. Fansler, (Father), 527 33rd Street, Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Lieutenant Colonel EDWARD G. FITZGERALD, (0387222), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 22 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Gertrude M. Fitzgerald, (Wife), 51 Putnam Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut.

Staff Sergeant GLENN E. FORSLUND, (39525919), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. Staff Sergeant Forslund was advancing with his squad on the right flank of a platoon front into an area thickly covered with hedgerows and bamboo thickets. When the squad on the left was pinned down by fire from a hidden enemy machine gun, Staff Sergeant Forslund swung his squad to the left in order to locate it. During the encircling movement, Sergeant Forslund was wounded in the hip by another hidden machine gun. He dragged himself out of the line of fire and, before calling for an aid man, guided a Rifle Grenadier to a firing position, directing his fire on the enemy machine gun, of which only he knew the location. Staff Sergeant Forslund's heroic and unselfish devotion to duty, at a time when he was in extreme pain, was an inspiration to the other members of his squad and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Clara Forslund, (Mother), 210 West Main Avenue, Puyallup, Washington.

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SILVER STAR—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1913 (Bul 43, 7D, 1918), and Letter, AG 200.6, Subject: "Awards of Filipino Personnel", Headquarters Sixth Army, dated 1 June 1945, a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted man:

Major HUGOSINO R. FAUSTO, First Guerrilla Regiment, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Cauco, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 April 1945. Major Fausto, led a patrol of 20 men to investigate results of the fight the night before. Enemy snipers posted themselves along a wooded creek and hills flanking the trail and while the patrol was passing through the area, ambushed them from all sides. After an aggressive advance in the face of heavy sniper fire, he and 2 members of his patrol found themselves far ahead of the rest of the men. Approaching a large log laid across the trail, he observed 2 snipers. Major Fausto, directing his men to cover him, boldly moved forward alone firing his carbine and killed the 2 snipers. Continuing, they observed 3 snipers fleeing across a ridge. As his men were firing, Major Fausto fearlessly dashed forward alone and killed the fleeing enemy. At this point 11 other men joined his group. An attempt was made to send six of the newly arrived men along the right flank of a small dense forest that lay ahead, but murderous enemy automatic rifle fire forced them back. Deploying his men, he moved to the front of his group and led the advance into the dense forest. He and his men suddenly became pinned down by enemy automatic weapons firing upon them at a distance of 25 yards. Major Fausto, while in giving orders to the rest of the patrol to maneuver to the left flank, again exposed himself to enemy fire. After an exchange of fire for about 30 minutes, the enemy was seen retreating into the adjacent thick woods. Immediately he ordered his men to assault, with himself at the head and succeeded in clearing the area of enemy snipers. Major Fausto's gallant actions were an inspiration to his men and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Rizal, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

Technical Sergeant FERDINO SANTOS, First Guerrilla Regiment, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Cauco, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 and 7 April 1945. When the numerically superior enemy force broke through the defense perimeter, 5 enemy soldiers rushed to the company's CP.

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Technical Sergeant Santos, with utter disregard to his own personal safety while under constant enemy fire, left his foxhole to meet the charging enemy and throwing a hand grenade, killed three instantly. With his rifle he killed the other two in rapid succession. This act slowed down the enemy assault sufficiently to give the other members of the command time to shift to better positions to crush the enemy attack. Technical Sergeant Santos' gallant action and coolness under fire were an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Rizal, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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BRONZE STAR—Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (See II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), and Letter, AG 200.6, Subject: "Awards of Filipino Personnel", Headquarters Sixth Army, dated 1 June 1945, a Bronze Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private RUPERTO BELMONTE, First Guerrilla Regiment, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Cauco, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 March 1945. Private Belmonte was a member of a patrol sent on a mission to contact the enemy, determine its strength and locate enemy gun emplacements which had been harrassing their position. Suddenly he, and two other soldiers came upon enemy foxholes where entrenched enemy soldiers began firing rifles and automatic rifles at them. An enemy sniper concealed in the underbrush shot one of the patrol. Private Belmonte immediately shot and killed the sniper, and another one in a tree. Private Belmonte's heroic actions and quick thinking prevented the patrol from being wiped out completely, inspiring those who witnessed it, reflecting the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: San Jose, Luzon, Philippine Islands.

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BRONZE STAR--Awards

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

Private First Class COLIN A. RYNESS, (39567966), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 May 1945. Private First Class Ryness, bulldozer operator, during this period worked long hours in opening a main supply route. Realizing that two tanks had previously been disabled on this road by mines, he continued without regard to his own personal safety. At times he had to stop so that infantry patrols could clear out bypassed strongpoints, and he courageously and boldly operated the dozer, opening the main supply route that was so vital to the infantry combat team. Private First Class Ryness' devotion to duty was an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mildred G. Ryness (Mother), 810 E. 104th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Technician Fourth Grade FRANK SILBERHOLZ, (6575507), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 25 July 1944 to 11 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Charles Mason (Mother), 3436 Sixth Street, Brooklyn, Maryland.

Sergeant FREDERICK K. WILSON, (35207738), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 January 1945. Elements of Sergeant Wilson's battalion were engaged in a severe and continued night fight against a powerful Japanese tank counterattack supported by assaulting riflemen. Continuous fire orders for supporting artillery and mortars, and information on the battle progress was passing over the telephone line between the front and battalion headquarters. At the height of battle, the communication line went out. Sergeant Wilson realizing the critical situation, immediately left his sheltered position to check the communication line for breaks, and reestablished communication. The devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Wilson was an inspiration to other members of his battalion and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lulu V. Wilson (Mother), Box #53, Henderson, West Virginia.

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Private First Class RAY E. WORTHEN, (39933497), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 and 8 May 1945. Private First Class Worthen, bulldozer operator, during this period worked long hours in opening a main supply route. Realizing that two tanks had previously been disabled on this road by mines, he continued without regard to his own personal safety. At times he had to stop so that infantry patrols could clear out enemy bypassed street points. Private First Class Worthen courageously and boldly operated the dozer and opened the main supply route that was so vital to the infantry combat team. Private First Class Worthen's devotion to duty was an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lillie H. Worthen (Mother), Ferron, Utah.

Sergeant RAYMOND K. WEBB, (37520937), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 19 January 1945. In order to relay important messages from higher headquarters to his Company Commander who had gone forward, Sergeant Webb (then Private First Class) had to repeatedly cross three hundred yards of open ground swept by enemy fire and then return to transmit his messages. On one occasion he voluntarily crossed a road drawing Japanese 75mm gun fire in order that his radio would not interfere with the transmission of a nearby artillery observer's radio. After his Company Commander had been wounded, Sergeant Webb remained at his side passing on and transmitting important messages of command, constantly exposed with his cumbersome radio to the intense enemy fire. Later he voluntarily combed the battle area in order to find the Company Executive Officer to inform him that the Company Commander had been wounded and to pass on the details of the situation. Sergeant Webb's devotion to duty, far above his normal assigned duties, was a material aid in the success of his battalion, and reflected high credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Helen R. Parker (Mother), 2202 Harlem, Joplin, Missouri.

Major G. NEIL WILCOX, (0472010), Coast Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kepintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 8 April 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Afton F. Wilcox (Wife), 221 S. 1st East, Preston, Idaho.

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14 June 1945.

BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec 11, Eul 3, VO, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM J. BARLOW, (38057531), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 February to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lizzie M. Barlow, (Mother), Pineland, Texas.

Staff Sergeant KEITH A. CROWN, JR., (35161940), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 20 July 1943 to 1 May 1945. Home Address: Mr. Keith A. Crown, Sr., (Father), 745 Pierce Street, Gary, Indiana.

Technician Fifth Grade PAUL FADOS, (35230582), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. At the height of a night engagement against a powerful enemy tank counterattack supported by assaulting riflemen, the communication lines went out. Technician Fifth Grade (then Private First Class) Fados, a wireman, knowing that the supporting artillery and mortars needed much information, and bazooka and machine gun replacements were waiting for orders to reinforce the defending troops, with utter disregard to his own personal safety, he left his covered position, covered 200 yards of exposed ground in the face of devastating, concentrated 47mm gun, machine gun, and rifle fire to repair the lines. His heroic actions were instrumental in allowing fire orders to continue, requests for replenishment of ammunition to get through and needed replacements to be placed where most needed. Technician Fifth Grade Fados' heroism was an inspiration to all who witnessed his act and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Fados, (Mother), 264 Heron Street, Barberton, Ohio.

Staff Sergeant RICHARD F. JOHNSTON, (39387094), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands from 23 March to 25 April 1945. Home Address: Mr. Charles F. Johnston, (Father), 535 SE 89th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

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Major PETER T. LOMENZO, (01283277), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands. Major Lomenzo (then Captain), with complete disregard for his own personal safety, while under intense fire of enemy mortars, machine gun and rifles, stayed in an exposed position even though his normal duties did not require him to do so, in order that he could coordinate the attack of two rifle companies. The heroic actions, coolness under fire and aggressive leadership displayed by Major Lomenzo were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Katharyn C. Lomenzo, (Mother), 245 Shirley Road, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

Captain DAVID J. ROTTAPPEL, (0470322), Medical Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 28 April 1945. On this night an infantry battalion was subjected to heavy, accurate enemy mortar fire, causing several casualties to one company of the battalion. Captain Rottapel immediately arranged for the bringing of the wounded from the company over a treacherous trail which was subject to enemy fire, and using a blanket and a flashlight, he personally went to each wounded man, administering rapid first aid before having them taken to the aid station. While the enemy shells continued to fall, and throughout the night, Captain Rottapel continued to administer medical attention to the wounded men. The timely and courageous actions of Captain Rottapel, in the face of grave danger, were instrumental in saving the lives of the wounded, and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Harry Rottapel (Father), 6125 North Washtenaw, Chicago, Illinois.

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AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Richard L. Benzenderfer, (01176256), as published in General Orders No. 52, this headquarters, 13 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942).

First Lieutenant RICHARD L. BETZENDERFER, (01176256), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 16 February 1945 to 23 March 1945. Lieutenant Betzenderfer flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of incalculable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Betzenderfer's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Don DeFrance (Sister), 109 1/2 Benton Street, Boone, Iowa.

Section II

BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LESLIE NYLOTT, (20203778), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. An Infantry Company, while making an assault on the village of Lupao, was pinned down by intense enemy machine gun fire. During this action a member of Sergeant NyloTT's squad was seriously wounded. With complete disregard for his personal safety, and in the face of heavy machine gun fire, Staff Sergeant NyloTT left his covered position and advanced fifty yards across open terrain to remove the wounded man to safety. The devotion to duty displayed by Staff Sergeant NyloTT was an inspiration to all who witnessed his action and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Carrie NyloTT (Mother), 15 Mountain Street, Whitehall, New York.

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Private First Class LEO L. NELSON, (37568101), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. Private First Class Nelson and other members of his crew, within twenty minutes, knocked out two Japanese tanks, three machine guns and a field piece. This timely and aggressive action permitted an Infantry Company to advance to a more tenable position. Private First Class Nelson, although seriously wounded, stayed with his crew until their mission was completed. The devotion to duty, skillful leadership and disregard of personal safety displayed by Private First Class Nelson were an inspiration to the assaulting infantrymen and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Leona E. Nelson, (Mother), Alrich, Minnesota.

Private First Class JOSE C. VALDEZ, (38457253), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Private First Class Valdez, member of a three man reconnaissance patrol on a mission to investigate unknown enemy activities across flat, open rice paddies, was forced to advance across a thousand yards of terrain to a suitable spot where he could set up an observation post. While Private First Class Valdez manned the dike to observe, the other two men moved to the flanks to provide security. By means of skillful and determined observation the patrol located three enemy machine gun nests, a Japanese observation post and the exact location of a platoon of riflemen. Skillfully utilizing every means of cover available, they returned to their battalion and reported their findings. Private First Class Valdez, with his two companions immediately volunteered to accompany a patrol that was going out to the area they had previously reconnoitered. The information secured by Private First Class Valdez was of great value in the subsequent attack on San Manuel. Private First Class Valdez's devotion to duty was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Elena C. Valdez (Mother), R.G.V. Store, Route 1, Harlingen, Texas.

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PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)—Awards

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart awarded to them by the Commanding Officer, 7th Evacuation Hospital, as published in General Orders shown after their name, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

1 May 1945

Private First Class PASQUALI J. PIRO, (32951835), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: North Wildwood, New Jersey. (General Orders No. 3, Headquarters 7th Evacuation Hospital, 13 February 1945).

21 May 1945

Private First Class WALTER D. SPARKS, (35145007), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kendallville, Indiana. (General Orders No. 2, Headquarters 7th Evacuation Hospital, 3 February 1945).

Section II

PURPLE HEART—Awards

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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

16 May 1945

Private CRVILLE ALCORN, (35842741), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mt. Healthy, Ohio.

18 May 1945

Private ROONEY C. BURETT, (39149048), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Vallejo, California.

Staff Sergeant DONALD C. LARSON, (37148580), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gurley, Nebraska.

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Private ROBERT E. WALLER, (38609167), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Crosbyton, Texas.

Private First Class MELVIN WASHINGTON, (37563090), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Squaw Lake, Minnesota.

20 May 1945

~~ARMY. Home Address: Wilbur, Washington.~~
Staff Sergeant ROBERT M. HAGEN, (20942673), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wilbur, Washington.

Private First Class HENRY H. THOMAS, (39697555), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bakerfield, California.

22 May 1945

Private First Class JOE W. PHIPPS, (33664530), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fox, Virginia.

24 May 1945

Second Lieutenant JOHN R. BELL, (01328320), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pacific Palisades, California.

Private First Class JOHN E. HICKEY, (30919973), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sycamore, Illinois.

25 May 1945

Second Lieutenant WARREN R. RAND, (01331661), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Le Claire, Iowa.

26 May 1945

Private JOHN L. WILLIAMS, (38604160), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lubbock, Texas.

28 May 1945

Private First Class URAL C. SUTHERLAND, (35757419), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Richwood, West Virginia.

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Section I

BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Technician Fourth Grade Edward P. Dinan, 33459016, as published in General Orders No. 191, this headquarters, 21 May 1945, 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Technician Fourth Grade EDWARD P. DINAN, (33459016), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands 7 to 9 May 1945. Technician Fourth Grade Dinan, bulldozer operator, during this period worked long hours in opening a main supply route. Realizing that two tanks had previously been disabled on this road by mines, he continued his work with disregard to his personal safety. At times he had to stop so that infantry patrols could clear out bypassed enemy strongpoints, and he courageously and boldly operated the bulldozer, opening the main supply route that was so vital to the infantry combat team. Technician Fourth Grade Dinan's devotion to duty was an inspiration to all and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Dinan (Mother), 372 Matson Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Section II

BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division to the following named officers:

Captain ERNEST L. AYERS, (02042967), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 19 March to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. W. L. Ayers (Mother), Box 877, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Lieutenant Colonel HARRY C. BAILEY, (0195866), Coast Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 8 April 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth H. Bailey (Wife), 1900 Grove Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

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Captain ALFRED R. COCUMELLI, (01184472), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands from 17 January to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Steubenville, Ohio.

First Lieutenant KENNETH R. DUNCAN, (0562898), Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lillian W. Duncan (Wife), Route #5, Longview, Texas.

Warrant Officer Junior Grade JEROME HAGER, (W2134514), United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 1 October 1944 to 5 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Hager (Mother), 312 East 168th Street, New York, New York.

First Lieutenant JAMES S. READ, (01584340), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 January to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Carlyle, Illinois.

First Lieutenant BRYDEN H. MOON, (0578643), Air Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 2 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Anne Moon (Wife), 1415 Buckingham Road, Winter Park, Florida.

First Lieutenant ROBERT D. OWEN, (01048522), Coast Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 8 April 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Robert D. Owen (Wife), Harristown, Illinois.

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Captain WELFORD A. SHERMAN, JR., (0430995), Coast Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 8 April 1945 to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Welford A. Sherman, Jr., (Wife), Box 6, Orange, Virginia.

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BRONZE STAR—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class GEORGE H. PEACHEY, (20935929), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 20 January 1945. Private First Class Peachey, leader of a three man reconnaissance patrol on a mission to investigate unknown enemy activities across flat, open rice paddies, was forced to advance across a thousand yards of open flat terrain to a suitable spot where he could set up an observation post. While Private First Class Peachey mounted the Mike to observe, the other two men moved to the flanks to provide security. By means of skillful and determined observation, the patrol located three enemy machine gun nests, a Japanese observation post and the exact location of a platoon of riflemen. Skillfully utilizing every means of cover available, they returned to their battalion and reported their findings. Private First Class Peachey with his two companions immediately volunteered to accompany a patrol that was going out to the area they had previously reconnoitered. The information secured by Private First Class Peachey was of great value in the subsequent attack on San Manuel. Private First Class Peachey's devotion to duty was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Joseph M. Peachey, (Father), Vernonia, Oregon.

Corporal GLENN D. ROGERS, (39378026), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Corporal Rogers, cannoneer of a M-7 mount, displayed outstanding courage in the face of grave danger by efficiently and swiftly assisting in employing his mount's destructive fire against the determined enemy. After skillfully covering withdrawal of one M-7, Corporal Rogers and his crew, realizing the critical situation confronting the infantry in the face of intensive enemy armor, fought for two and one half hours against the enemy, destroying three tanks and a field piece. The devoted duty, in the face of grave danger, displayed by Corporal Rogers was an inspiration to the other members of his crew and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Charles E. Rogers, R.F.D. 2, Cambridge, Minnesota.

Sergeant TONY B. SCHNEIDER, (37164235), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 March 1945. During a counterattack Sergeant Schneider was wounded while serving as a member of an outposted platoon, and was unable to make his way back to the company perimeter. Having to fend for himself, Sergeant Schneider feigned death while he

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was repeatedly searched by members of the enemy force. However, he was discovered to be alive by one of the enemy who fired a maliciously aimed shot, emasculating him. Despite his excruciating pain and need for urgent medical attention, Sergeant Schneider chose to suffer through the night rather than endanger his comrades by calling for help. Sergeant Schneider's heroic sacrifice of his own personal comfort and welfare were an inspiration to all who knew him and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Miss Elizabeth Schneider, (Sister), Emond, North Dakota.

Private First Class JAMES J. STOVEKEN, (42004519), Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945. The platoon to which Private First Class Stoveken was attached was pinned down by heavy fire from enemy machine guns and tanks. Perceiving a wounded soldier lying in the lane of enemy fire, private First Class Stoveken rushed over the flat, coverless terrain, moved the wounded man to safety in a semi-defiladed draw and administered first aid. After reconnoitering for a safe route back to our lines, he was forced to employ a shallow ditch running close to enemy positions. Crawling on his hands and knees and dragging the wounded man, he succeeded in getting him safely to the rear of our lines. The devotion to duty in face of grave danger displayed by private First Class Stoveken was instrumental in saving the life of the wounded man and reflected high credit upon himself and the medical department. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Stoveken, (Mother), 199 Summit Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

Private JAMES H. UPSHAW, (20824873), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lumboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 13 and 14 February 1945. Private Upshaw was a member of an observation party which was carrying equipment for the organization of an observation post when they were ambushed by a Japanese outpost. During the surprise attack, five of our forces were wounded. Private Upshaw from an unprotected area gave covering fire while the wounded were withdrawn to a nearby ravine. The next morning private Upshaw volunteered to return through enemy held territory to bring reinforcements and medical aid which were instrumental in the saving of the lives of the wounded. Private Upshaw's coolness under fire and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Bessie E. Crough, (Mother), 1008 N. Marrs Street, Amarillo, Texas.

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BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)—Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Private First Class James W. Moss, (35579257), as published in General Orders No. 158, this headquarters, 9 May 1945, 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Private First Class JAMES W. MOSS, (35579257), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balote Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 9 and 10 May 1945. Private First Class Moss, a bulldozer operator, during this period worked long hours in opening a main supply route over which enemy mines were known to have been laid. Two tanks had previously been disabled by mines on this road. With disregard to his safety, he courageously and boldly operated the bulldozer and opened up the main supply route that was so vital to the infantry combat team. At times Private First Class Moss had to stop for the infantry patrol to clear out bypassed enemy strongpoints. Private First Class Moss' devotion to duty with utter disregard for his own personal safety was an inspiration to all and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. John M. Moss, (Father), Keltner, Kentucky.

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BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 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 HERBERT N. HEFTER, (39228277), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Technical Sergeant Hefter and other members of his crew, within twenty minutes, knocked out two Japanese tanks, three machine guns and a field piece. This timely and aggressive actions permitted an Infantry Company to advance to a more tenable position. Technical Sergeant Hefter, although wounded, stayed with his crew until their mission was completed. The devotion to duty, skillful leadership and disregard for personal safety displayed by Technical Sergeant Hefter were an inspiration to the assaulting infantrymen and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Sylvia Hefter (Mother), 4107 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois.

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First Lieutenant FRANK HOLEKA, (01297892), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945. When his unit laid mortar fire on an enemy position prior to attack, Lieutenant Holeka went forward in the face of enemy fire over open terrain to a position almost within the impact area in order to observe the effects of the fire. When the barrage was lifted, he brought back the information that a hitherto unsuspected enemy tank was emplaced in the line of attack. The attack was postponed while Lieutenant Holeka, accompanied by a tank officer, once more crossed the open terrain in imminent danger of direct fire from the enemy, and successfully directed the fire of an M-4 tank upon the enemy tank, thus destroying it. First Lieutenant Holeka's bold actions, in the face of grave danger, saved his unit many casualties and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Elma A. Holeka (Wife), Fulton, California.

Technical Sergeant MILBURN L. KIRKSEY, (37065037), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Digdig, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 6 March 1945. Technical Sergeant Kirksey, leader of a combat patrol whose mission was to sweep down a narrow ridge to clear out any Japanese resistance encountered, was ambushed near a clearing by enemy machine gun, grenade and rifle fire. On checking his men, he found that three had been wounded and one was missing. Taking four men, he returned to the area where the enemy mortar fire was landing. The missing member of his patrol was lying directly in the line of Japanese machine gun fire. With quick decision he dispatched two of his men to cover his left, and put the other two men in position to provide him covering fire while attempting to rescue the casualty. He crawled forward through the Japanese fire lane to a position where he completely wiped out the machine gun nest with hand grenades thus enabling the men of his patrol to rescue the wounded man without further casualties and proceed on its mission. Technical Sergeant Kirksey's decisive leadership and devotion to duty, in the face of grave danger, were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Edward B. Kirksey (Father), Route #3, Box 43, Jonesboro, Arkansas.

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MAJOR ALBERT C. CHOO (0366919), 65th Engineer Combat Battalion is announced as Division Engineer Officer vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL ARTHUR L. BAKER, (0362844) CE relieved.

Section II

BRONZE STAR--Posthumous Award

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

First Lieutenant ROBERT S. CULBERTSON, (026200), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Umingan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 and 3 February 1945. Lieutenant Culbertson was leader of a reconnaissance patrol whose mission was to make contact with friendly units supposed to be operating in the edge of the town, but whose exact location was not known. The patrol moved out in utter darkness, over open country, to the point where they were to contact the friendly units. At this point the patrol ran into Japanese forces. Remembering his mission, Lieutenant Culbertson withdrew, worked his way around the danger point and again approached the town. At this time he was met by both friendly and hostile fire. Lieutenant Culbertson, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, crawled forward under fire until he reached a point where he could establish voice contact with the friendly units and then moved his patrol into the friendly lines. First Lieutenant Culbertson's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger, and under both enemy and friendly fire, was of material aid in the success of the battle at Umingan. Next of Kin: Mrs. Edna Culbertson, (Mother), 760 Orchard Avenue, Barberton, Ohio.

Section III

BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class DAVID F. CAMPBELL, (39039830), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 April 1945. During an intense mortar and artillery shelling by the Japanese, Private First Class Campbell, a jeep driver, with complete disregard for his own

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personal safety, left his foxhole and went to the aid of two Filipino Guerrillas who had been hit and were lying in the road two hundred yards away. Having brought them back safely to his jeep, he climbed to the crest of the ridge to look for two more wounded guerrillas. In spite of the fact that the Japanese were not shelling the ridge, one of the shells landed so close that it covered him with dirt. He continued his search until he succeeded in finding them. Seeing that they were dead, he returned to the wounded men on the road and took them to an aid station. Private First Class Campbell's devotion to duty, above those assigned to him, reflect high credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Barbara W. Campbell, (Wife), 4211 Shafter Avenue, Oakland, California.

Private First Class MILTON R. CHILCOTT, (37240652), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945. When his platoon was pinned down by intense fire from an enemy 77mm gun and its supporting machine guns, private First Class Chilcott, a bazooka gunner, found that he was unable to fire upon the enemy gun from his covered position. Voluntarily and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, he crawled over open ground through enemy machine gun fire to a position within fifty yards and directly in front of the 77mm gun. He then fired two shots, hitting the gun both times and knocking it out. Private First Class Chilcott's devotion to duty was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and reflected high credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Robert M. Chilcott, (Father), 523 West 3d Street, Concordia, Kansas.

Private First Class JOHN D. DICKERSON, (34686927), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 25 January 1945. Private First Class Dickerson, cannoner of a M-7 mount, displayed outstanding courage in the face of grave danger by efficiently and swiftly assisting in employing his mount's destructive fire against the determined enemy. After skillfully covering withdrawal of one M-7 mount, private First Class Dickerson and other members of his crew, within twenty minutes, knocked out two Japanese tanks, three machine guns and a field piece. This timely and aggressive action permitted an Infantry Company to advance to a more tenable position. Private First Class Dickerson, although wounded, stayed with his crew until their mission was completed. The devotion to duty, skillful leadership, and disregard for personal safety displayed by private First Class Dickerson were an inspiration to the assaulting infantrymen and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Sarah S. Dickerson, (Mother), Route 4, Lyons, Georgia.

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Section I

PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

24 May 1945

Technician Third Grade ALVIN J. BROWN, (13157159), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Lakewood, New Jersey. (Sec II, page 2, General Orders No. 143, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 1 May 1945).

26 May 1945

Private First Class DONALD G. LINDER, (37561634), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Northcott, Minnesota. (Sec II, page 2, General Orders No. 117, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 16 April 1945).

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

10 February 1945

First Lieutenant WILLIAM G. BROOKS, (01323787), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hollywood, California.

16 March 1945

Captain CHARLES S. BURTON, (0514336), Corps of Chaplains, United States Army. Home Address: Springfield, Missouri.

24 March 1945

Sergeant FRANK J. SALVAGGIO, (34271656), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New Orleans, Louisiana.

3 April 1945

Technician Third Grade ARGIL F. COFFMAN, (35426918), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Grafton, West Virginia.

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14 April 1945

Sergeant FLORENCIO E. MONTOYA, (37320701), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Gilman, Colorado.

29 April 1945

Private First Class WILLIAM J. BROWN, (33831170), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Evans, Pennsylvania.

Private ROBERT L. THOMPSON, (39424627), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Stockton, California.

2 May 1945

Private First Class OGLA D. MOELMANN, (35757803), Medical Department, United States Army.
Home Address: Elkins, West Virginia.

7 May 1945

Private PHILIP T. SHAGONABY, (36470826), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Muskegon, Michigan.

10 May 1945

Amend to read "October" by HQ 235 July 18, 1945
Private First Class HAROLD L. SPIELE, (35556910), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Gibsonsburg, Ohio.

11 May 1945

Private First Class JACK W. STOWELL, (38470559), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Bristow, Oklahoma.

13 May 1945

Private First Class THOMAS E. MATHEWS, (37616650), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Canalou, Missouri.

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Section I

AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to them as published in General Orders No. 67, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 19 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded them by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942).

First Lieutenant RICHARD P. SMOAD, (01173781), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 24 February 1945 to 5 April 1945. Lieutenant Smoad flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Smoad's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. E. L. Smoad, (Father), 3706 Fordam Road NW., Washington, D. C.

First Lieutenant CHESTER W. THOMAS, (01179718), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 22 February 1945 to 22 March 1945. Lieutenant Thomas flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Thomas' services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Dessie D. Thomas (Wife), 9705 35th Avenue SW., Seattle, Washington.

First Lieutenant SPENCER E. WALLACE, (01183994), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 22 March 1945 to 26 April 1945. Lieutenant Wallace flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Wallace's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Julia M. Wallace (Wife), 133 S. 8th Street, Fredonia, Kansas.

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Lieutenant Colonel LOUIS S. AHLEN, (0362057), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 3 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Ahlen, performing duties as Battalion Commander of an Infantry Regiment, voluntarily participated in frequent aerial flights on reconnaissance missions. In order to secure first hand and accurate information it was necessary to fly at low altitudes, subjecting him to dangerous enemy small arms fire. The information secured by Lieutenant Colonel Ahlen on these flights proved to be of inestimable value in enabling him to base his tactical decisions for the employment of his battalion against strategic positions held by the enemy. The devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Lieutenant Colonel Ahlen reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. L. S. Ahlen (Father), 329 SE 20th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Lieutenant Colonel EBEN F. SWIFT, (023258), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands during the period 17 January 1945 to 24 April 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Swift, performing his duties as Battalion Commander of an Infantry Regiment, voluntarily participated in frequent aerial flights on reconnaissance missions. In order to secure first hand and accurate information it was necessary to fly at low altitudes subjecting him to dangerous enemy small arms fire. The information secured by Lieutenant Colonel Swift on these flights proved to be of inestimable value in enabling him to base his tactical decisions for the employment of his battalion against strategic positions held by the enemy. The devotion to duty and disregard for personal safety displayed by Lieutenant Colonel Swift reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Colonel Eben Swift (Father), 339 Natalen Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to them as published in General Orders No. 67, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 19 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded them by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9212-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942).

First Lieutenant HAROLD V. BIRD, (01178414), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 22 February 1945 to 23 March 1945. Lieutenant Bird flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Bird's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Carol Marie Bird, (Wife), 8015 SE Main Street, Portland, Oregon.

First Lieutenant JOE B. GIBSON, JR., (01180910), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 21 February 1945 to 4 April 1945. Lieutenant Gibson flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Gibson's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Joe B. Gibson, (Mother), 118 N. Pine Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

First Lieutenant FRANK J. HOFFMAN, (01180545), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 22 February 1945 to 22 March 1945. Lieutenant Hoffman flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Hoffman's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Jacob J. Hoffman, (Father), 201 Fourth Avenue NE., Mandon, North Dakota.

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First Lieutenant LEO G. HOOKS, (0118236), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 16 February 1945 to 26 March 1945. Lieutenant Hoffman flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Hooks' services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. John Hooks, (Mother), Route 1, Blair, Nebraska.

Captain ROBERT R. REVERE, (011-6592), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 6 March 1945 to 19 April 1945. Captain Revere flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Captain Revere's services reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Annie L. Revere, (Wife), 413 New York Avenue, McComb, Mississippi.

First Lieutenant JAMES ROGALSKI, (01179596), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights over Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 19 February 1945 to 15 March 1945. Lieutenant Rogalski flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions has been of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Rogalski's service reflect high credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Annie Rogalski, (Wife), 789 E. Washington Street, Benton Harbor, Michigan.

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SILVER STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, 1D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men.

Private First Class ADAM J. SUZUK, (42004076), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. Private First Class Suzuk was an Aid Man when his company suffered heavy casualties, including two of the company's three medical aid-men. Private First Class Suzuk, the remaining aid man, labored unceasingly throughout the rest of the day. In order to reach wounded men and treat them as soon as possible, with utter disregard to his own personal safety he crossed the open ground between the platoons under heavy enemy fire rather than spend time going back to the rear and working his way up under cover. In one case when a litter team were wounded and the patient in the litter was wounded a second time in an exposed position less than 50 yards from the enemy's positions, he ran across 35 yards of open ground and administered first aid to all three of the men, even though two enemy tanks and their supporting machine guns were directing fire on the spot. After helping to pull the three men out of the line of fire, he continued to care for the wounded of the entire company until all casualties were evacuated from the field. Private First Class Suzuk's gallant actions saved the lives of many wounded soldiers and were an inspiration to all who observed him, reflecting credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Suzuk, (Mother), 92 Wilkinson Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

Technician Third Grade (then Technician Fourth Grade) JACK H. TRIMMER, (35233760), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel and Puncan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January and 24 February 1945. During an attack, an enemy 47mm projectile injured a rifleman who was lying helpless in a position fully exposed to the fierce enemy fire. Technician Third Grade Trimmer, with disregard for his own personal safety, exposed himself to the vicious fire and ran across 30 yards of open ground to help the wounded man. Continually exposed to fire, he carried him back to a covered position where he immediately administered first aid. A few minutes later another soldier became seriously shocked from the concussion of high explosive enemy shells. Temporarily out of his mind, the man started to run into the impact area. Again, Technician Third Grade Trimmer left cover to rescue the shocked

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soldier. Braving intense enemy fire, he rushed out and brought the soldier back to safety where he could care for him. On 24 February an M-7 was attacked by an enemy suicide group of unknown strength which had infiltrated to the defensive perimeter. The enemy initiated a "banzai" attack attempting to get to the mounts and destroy them with demolitions. They supported their attack with furious close-in rifle fire and grenade barrages. During this attack, four soldiers were wounded, including Technician Third Grade Trimmer. Disregarding the pain of his own wounds, he made his way through the barrage of hand grenades and heavy small arms fire from foxhole to foxhole, giving aid to each wounded man in turn. Only after all of the wounded had been cared for did he allow his own wounds to be treated. Technician Third Grade Trimmer's gallant actions were in inspiration to all, reflecting credit upon himself and the Medical Department of the United States Army. Home Address: Mrs. Grace Trimmer, (Mother), 115 North 3rd Street, Toronto, Ohio.

Section II

AIR MEDAL--Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-1, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Colonel THOMAS N. STARK, (010368), General Staff Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 20 January 1945 to 31 May 1945. Colonel Stark flew on frequent observation and reconnaissance flights over hazardous terrain exposed to enemy anti-aircraft fire in order to obtain vital tactical information about terrain and enemy dispositions. His cool courage and prompt evaluation of observation were materially responsible for the success of the Division throughout numerous engagements. Colonel Stark's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service: Home Address: Mrs. Thomas N. Stark (Wife), c/o National Savings and Trust Company, Washington, D. C.

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PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart and Oak-Leaf Cluster awarded Staff Sergeant STERLING G. KLINE, (33829626), Infantry, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 18, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 11 February 1945 and General Orders No. 76, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 26 March 1945, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 March 1945. Home Address: Easton, Pennsylvania.

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PURPLE HEART--Awards

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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated.

7 May 1945

Private BURTON L. FORD, (39422141), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gratis, Ohio.

Private VERLE T. WALDRON, (39935037), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Tremonton, Utah.

8 May 1945

First Lieutenant JAMES G. SHANAHAN, (0438187), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pompey, New York.

21 April 1945

Private First Class JAMES I. MILLS, (33851694), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Amherstdale, West Virginia.

Technician Fifth Grade DELBERT L. VANETTA, (13001559), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Locust Grove, Maryland.

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23 May 1945

Private LEWIS L. ARMISEGGER, (36917202), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Litchfield, Michigan.

Private First Class HERBERT H. HAIGLER, (14201765), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Camron, South Carolina.

24 May 1945

Technician Fifth Grade EDDIE S. JAGODA, (36319074), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

Private First Class MICHAEL R. SUILLETT, (32454277), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Oxford, New Jersey.

Private IKE WALTON, (38571030), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chetopa, Kansas.

25 May 1945

Private ROBERT E. COPEZ, (39596976), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Heber, California.

Sergeant TED J. KEMPA, (38472555), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

26 May 1945

Private PAUL MAREZ, (39727972), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Arlington, California.

Private First Class MAURICE E. HEINERTSON, (37114954), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Astoria, South Dakota.

Private First Class MILTON F. TURNER, (39574362), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Covina, California.

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ORIGINAL ORDER
SILVER STAR—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub. Law 43, D, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men.

Private First Class JOSEPH S. PEZZULO, (6982236), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. Private First Class Pezzulo, rifleman, was a member of a platoon which was forced to withdraw in the face of furious enemy tank, mortar and machine gun fire wounding several men. Private First Class Pezzulo, with disregard to his own personal safety, immediately volunteered to return across an open field to rescue the wounded men. It was necessary to cross approximately 75 yards of flat, open terrain, across which at least four enemy machine guns were firing. In addition, about six rounds of mortar fire fell in the area. Private First Class Pezzulo made numerous trips across this open terrain under furious enemy fire and assisted in the evacuation of eight wounded men when the other litter bearer was killed. Single handed, he then dragged the wounded man the remaining 50 yards to cover. Private First Class Pezzulo's gallant actions were instrumental in saving the lives of several wounded soldiers, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Isabelle Pezzulo, (Mother), 536 Jefferson Avenue, Utica, New York.

Staff Sergeant WAYNE A. STARR, (37567853), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 March 1945. An enemy infiltration platoon, heavily armed, succeeded in penetrating the lines of an infantry battalion and established two trail blocks cutting off two platoons of an infantry company from supply and communication with the battalion. All during the night under covering fire from a light machine gun, the enemy dug strong positions along a jungle trail only 35 yards away from one of the friendly platoons. At daylight, approximately a squad of enemy riflemen moved forward with bayonets and hand grenades. Rapid, sporadic bursts from the two light machine guns and one heavy machine gun supported their advance. The enemy fire was so intense that friendly forces could not reach out to obtain rations only a few feet away. In the course of the action four men were wounded. Staff Sergeant Starr, with disregard to his own personal safety, stood straight up in his dug in position and opened up on the assaulting enemy with his rifle. While bursts from the three enemy machine guns sprayed the area, he alone laid down enough covering fire to permit his four comrades to withdraw to the rear of the perimeter for medical aid. His continued fire stopped the assaulting force, and he personally killed six out of a total of seven attacking enemy. Staff Sergeant Starr's gallant actions enabling four wounded men to get prompt medical attention reflected credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ansonath Starr, (Mother), Box 48, Mountain Lake, Minnesota.

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Private First Class JAMES B. REDFEARN, JR., (34659307), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Digdig, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Private First Class Redfearn, First Machine Gunner, volunteered to accompany a patrol of another infantry company on reconnaissance. The patrol proceeded along a narrow obstructed trail that followed a precipitous ridge covered with dense jungle growth, and led to a tall grassy knoll, there taking up observation posts. After one hour of waiting, Private First Class Redfearn spotted a enemy soldier close by and, with a well aimed shot, killed him. Almost immediately the patrol heard the enemy moving into ambush positions on these sides only 15 to 25 yards away. An enemy knee mortar, two light machine guns firing grazing bursts, rifle and grenade fire hit the patrol. After 20 to 30 minutes of holding and returning the enemy fire with futile rifle shots into the jungle growth, the patrol was forced to withdraw leapfrogging back a few yards at a time. Unaided, Private First Class Redfearn fought a rear guard action with the enemy who pursuing the patrol, maintained their close contact and kept up their fire until the patrol reached a clearing leading to the infantry company position. The sergeant in charge of the patrol returned for orders, leaving Private First Class Redfearn in charge. Under constant fire, with disregard to his own personal safety, he successfully led the seven man stand against an enemy force numerically superior in weapons and men until finally the enemy withdrew. Although weakened from lack of food and water, he volunteered to provide security for a litter party which had to evacuate a wounded man who was near death from loss of blood. In order to evacuate the wounded man, the only feasible route lead through 600 yards of dense jungle down an extremely steep hill. The trail was not wide enough to allow passage for the litter, therefore, with a machete, he helped hack out a new trail. After three hours of grueling work, he led the litter party to the highway where the casualty was successfully evacuated. Private First Class Redfearn's gallant actions and devotion to duty were instrumental in saving the life of the wounded man, reflecting credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. James B. Redfearn, Sr., (Father), Law Street, Hartsville, South Carolina.

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**ORIGINAL ORDER 1
SILVER STAR--Awards**

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Pub. Law 43, 40, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major BENJAMIN P. FOLK, JR., (0419788), Medical Corps, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lumbay, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 February 1945. Major (then Captain) Folk, was notified that an artillery party sent the previous afternoon to join an infantry unit had taken the wrong trail and been ambushed by an enemy strongpoint. The six man party sustained heavy casualties, one of whom was shot in the chest. This man had suffered much through the night and although very weak, was still alive when the two survivors who had reported the trap had left him. Major Folk, knowing that the enemy were heavily dug in and that aid men were supposed to go in after the casualty, felt that by his own attention he might be able to save the life of the seriously wounded soldier. With utter disregard to his own personal safety, he volunteered to lead the rescue party which consisted of several litter bearers and two riflemen for protection, and proceeded to the scene of the ambush. During the ensuing perilous journey, the rescue party was under intense rifle and grenade fire having to fight their way to the wounded man. He worked on the wounded man for many hours under enemy fire, administering medical attention. It was necessary for him and his party to fight their way back to the battalion command post. Major Folk arrived at the command post with his entire party after being gone eight hours, bringing in the seriously wounded man. Captain Folk's gallant action, above and beyond the call of duty, saved the life of a seriously wounded soldier reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Benjamin F. Folk, Sr., (Fischer), Tallulah, Louisiana.

Staff Sergeant JOHN J. MARANCIK, (12014248), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. Staff Sergeant (then Sergeant) Marancik, squad leader, when the enemy started a coordinated attack with 20 tanks and from 80 to 100 supporting riflemen, left his covered position and in the face of rapid rifle and grazing machine gun fire from pill boxes and assaulting tanks, he moved on his own initiative across 75 yards of open exposed ground to an advance position where he engaged three threatening tanks. He knocked one out and hit two others with a rocket launcher, slowing them down enough to be destroyed by adjacent anti-mechanized weapons. Staff Sergeant Marancik's gallant actions and devotion to duty above the responsibilities prescribed for a rifle squad leader were instrumental in crushing the the enemy armored assault, inspiring all who witnessed his acts and were in

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keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mr. John Marancik, (Father), 434 Simpson St., DuPont, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant EDWARD F. NEWBERGER, (01017099), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 9 to 12 April and 3 to 11 May 1945. When ground patrols were unable to determine the exact location of enemy positions, First Lieutenant Newberger on two different occasions made reconnaissance plane flights to secure information necessary for the employment of tanks in the Balete Pass Area. On many occasions he was compelled to direct the building of roads up steep inclines to get his tanks into firing positions. In most cases, this was accomplished by using an armored bulldozer. The bulldozer was also used to push the tanks into position when the grades were too steep to ascend under their own power. He found it necessary to clear his field of fire against enemy strong points by blasting large trees with high explosive and armor piercing ammunition. To complete his mission, he frequently exposed himself to enemy fire without regard for his own personal safety. Lieutenant Newberger's gallant actions were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Jean H. Newberger, (Wife), 1212 Shirley Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

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Section I

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PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

29 March 1945

Private LEO J. GAUTHIER, (31428385), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lawrence, Massachusetts. (Section I, page 1, General Orders No. 142, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 1 May 1945.)

9 May 1945

Private First Class DALE C. LOFER, (20848923), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Malakoff, Texas. (Page 1, General Orders No. 209, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 31 May 1945.)

17 May 1945

Staff Sergeant DAVID S. JOHNSON, (20944372), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bellingham, Washington. (Page 1, General Orders No. 126, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 23 April 1945.)

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

28 March 1945

Technician Fifth Grade HOLMER H. BANKS, (15090973), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Hugheston, West Virginia.

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22 April 1945

Sergeant FLOYD E. DARBY, (38462728), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Los Fresno, Texas.

28 April 1945

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM W. HALL, (20943398), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Moscow, Idaho.

30 April 1945

Private First Class LOUIS NEHMEN, (37135779), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: University City, Missouri.

1 May 1945

Private ROBERT F. O'CONNOR, (37598494), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sergeant ERVIN H. STEINKE, (36486367), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bloomington, Illinois.

3 May 1945

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIAM C. GINN, (35276058), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Houston, Ohio.

4 May 1945

Private First Class LEONARD S. CLARKE, (33521306), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Richmond, Virginia.

5 May 1945

Private First Class EDWARD F. GALVIN, (11010578), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hartford, Connecticut.

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Section I

PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

17 April 1945

Private First Class LOUIS KASEY, JR., (6654292), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Amherstville, West Virginia. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 45, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 3 March 1945).

25 April 1945

Captain EDWARD S. KAULAKIS, (0452114), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Seattle, Washington. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 219, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 5 June 1945).

19 May 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH E. BOQUET, (38382567), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Montegut, Louisiana. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 188, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 18 May 1945).

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

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

8 May 1945

Staff Sergeant ROBERT C. SHEERAN, (38071226), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Rio Grande City, Texas.

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12 May 1945

Private First Class CECIL E. CHRISTISON, (39935929), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Golconda, Nevada.

13 May 1945

Private First Class ROBERT R. BEHM, (35419847), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Celina, Ohio.

17 May 1945

Private First Class PAUL C. KINNEY, (37535433), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Woodruff, Kansas.

First Lieutenant THOMAS D. MOTE, (01175521), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Wilmington, North Carolina.

Private First Class JOHN W. MULLINAX, (34892254), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chester, South Carolina.

21 May 1945

Private First Class GERALD E. HEBER, (37567254), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Harvey, North Dakota.

22 May 1945

Private W. E. ANTHONY, (35910362), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: on, Indiana.

23 May 1945

Private GEORGE T. AMES, (36916986), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Detroit, Michigan.

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Section I

SILVER STAR--Posthumous Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant JAMES R. GODDARD, (39024121), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Putland, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Staff Sergeant Goddard, Squad Leader, a member of a platoon with the mission of securing a steep hill, moved out and up the face of the steep hill. There was no opposition until the platoon reached a point 75 yards from the crest where an estimated squad of enemy rifleman dug in and reinforced with a knee mortar squad opened fire as the first elements of the squad showed above the crest. The platoon hastily built up a fire line on the forward slope of the hill. The rapid and intense rate of fire from the enemy positions prevented the platoon from advancing further. Knee mortar fire began to adjust in on the position of the friendly force. At this time a 47mm field piece, 600 yards to the rear which had perfect observation of the whole hill slope from its bottom to the crest, opened with direct fire on the platoon. One man was seriously wounded. The platoon leader ordered his men to pull left across the face of the hill to the nearest cover and concealment. As the withdrawal began, Staff Sergeant Goddard noticed that the seriously wounded man had been left dangerously exposed where he had fallen. While the platoon preceded in its withdrawal he remained and took cover in a slight gully, holding his ground and calling for help to evacuate the casualty. With utter disregard to his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant Goddard, with the help of another soldier who made his way back, carried the wounded man through intense small arm, knee mortar and direct artillery fire over 100 yards to safety. Staff Sergeant Goddard's gallant actions saved the life of a wounded soldier, reflecting credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lillian Goddard, (Mother), 111 Willow Avenue, Roseville, California.

Section II

SILVER STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man

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Corporal JOSEPH DeVITO, (32663620), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. Corporal (then Private First Class) DeVito, Assistant Squad Leader, was a member of the platoon on the right of the company front. After leaving the line of departure, they were pinned down by continuous enemy machine gun fire. The First Squad, of which he was a member, was ordered to flank the area to the front and destroy the enemy machine guns. During this action the first squad and the attached light machine gun section received intense enemy machine gun fire causing many casualties. With utter disregard to his own personal safety, Corporal DeVito moved forward approximately 50 yards across open terrain in the face of heavy concentrated machine gun and 47mm gun fire to assist in the removing of a seriously wounded soldier. After removing the wounded man to a position where his wounds could be treated, he directed litter bearers in the rescue of the other wounded man, covering them with rifle fire. During this action, Corporal DeVito knocked out one tank at point-blank range with a rifle grenade. Although three tanks soon began to concentrate fire on him, he held his position and returned fire until the last wounded man had been removed to a place of safety. Corporal DeVito's gallant actions, above and beyond the call of duty, were instrumental in saving the lives of several wounded soldiers, reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lena DeVito, (Mother), 401 South Madison Street, Rome, New York.

Section III

BRONZE STAR--Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class EDDIE J. CARBO, (38496478), Infantry, United States Army for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 2 April 1945. A reinforced infantry company had attacked a precipitous hill and had pushed elements forward to secure a steep narrow ridge against enemy counterattack. There was no space for dispersion and little or no cover available. While preparing positions for the night, the infantry company was shelled by enemy artillery and mortar fire inflicting heavy casualties. Private First Class Carbo, escaping injury, with total disregard for his own personal safety left cover to go to the aid of a wounded man. With undaunted courage he ran fifty yards through mortar fire to the side of the wounded man dressing his wounds and carrying him back to cover. Private First Class Carbo's heroic action and disregard for personal safety were instrumental in saving the wounded man's life and reflected high credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Bernadette Carbo (Mother), Barton, Louisiana.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

FIRST LIEUTENANT HARLAN F. [REDACTED], (01295619), Corps of Military Police, Military Police Platoon, 25th Infantry Division is announced as Acting Provost Marshal.

Section II

SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to Technical Sergeant Ernest F. Latta, (15059504), as published in General Orders No. 67, Headquarters USAFISPA, 20 March 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 (Bul 43, WD, 1918).

Technical Sergeant ERNEST F. LATTA, (15059504), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945. Technical Sergeant Latta, Rifle platoon Sergeant, was advancing with his platoon when it was held up by heavy machine gun and 47mm fire from camouflaged enemy tanks. At this time, three M-4 tanks were brought up to about 35 yards in front of the company front lines in an effort to locate and knock out the enemy tanks. They at once took up the fire fight and succeeded in destroying one 47mm gun and disabling one enemy tank. Continuing enemy fire hit two of our tanks, causing one to catch fire and disabling the other. The remaining effective tank could not maneuver and fire, to cover the withdrawal of the disabled tank. Upon receiving word that the tanks could not maintain their position and were going to pull out, Technical Sergeant Latta volunteered to leave his covered position and attempt to lay down a smoke screen cover for them. Collecting all the smoke grenades he could carry, with utter disregard to his own personal safety, he dashed forward across fifty yards of open terrain to a position in front of the tanks, which were still receiving enemy fire. He then threw enough grenades to create an effective smoke screen and enable the tanks to withdraw without further damage. Technical Sergeant Latta's gallant actions, above and beyond the call of duty, saved two tanks and their crews from destruction and were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Belle H. Latta, (Mother), Shelby, Indiana.

Section III

SILVER STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant GEORGE R. BITTERLY, (01316369), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Puncan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 March 1945. First Lieutenant Bitterly, Machine Gun

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Platoon Leader, volunteered to lead a patrol with the mission of locating the precise position of enemy field pieces emplaced in caves, so that tanks could be brought into action against them. After rushing across fifty yards of open ground to cover on the hill on which the enemy guns were dug-in, the patrol worked its way to within ten yards of the guns, First Lieutenant Bitterly continuing to within five yards of one enemy 105mm gun. Returning with this information, he volunteered to lead a second patrol, accompanied by a flamethrower, to burn the camouflage from in front of the enemy position. Again arriving with his patrol at a point near the enemy position, with disregard to his own personal safety, he maneuvered to a position directly in front of the gun and threw white phosphorus grenades on the position in order to mark it for the flamethrower crew. First Lieutenant Bitterly's gallant actions enabled his unit to reduce the enemy strongpoint, reflecting credit on himself and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Helen A. Bitterly, (Wife), 43 Union Avenue, Rutherford, New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade CLEGHORN A. BOYD, JR., (30100778), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces north of Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 May 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Boyd, bulldozer operator was cutting a road along a narrow ridge which had only that morning been occupied by our troops. Friendly patrols were still very active in the ravines on both sides of the ridge as enemy snipers were doing their best to hold up our advance. Throughout the morning enemy snipers, on either side of the ridge, kept up a spasmodic firing at the bulldozer and the operator, hitting the bulldozer twice, with one bullet glancing off the side of the engine, and the other bullet hitting behind the driver's seat. Without armor plating to protect him, Technician Fifth Grade Boyd continued working on the road until it was completed, enabling initial supplies to be quickly brought to the front line troops and facilitating the evacuation of the wounded. Technician Fifth Grade Boyd's gallant actions were an inspiration to all who observed him and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Eleanor M. Boyd, (Wife), 1448 10th Avenue, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

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Section I

SILVER STAR—Posthumous Award:

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant JOSEPH M. CARUSO, (32658642), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 10 March 1945. Staff Sergeant Caruso, Squad Leader, a member of a platoon with the mission of securing a steep hill, moved out and up the steep hill. There was no opposition until the platoon reached the crest where an estimated squad of enemy riflemen reinforced with a knee mortar squad opened fire as the first squad showed above the crest. The platoon hastily built up a position on the forward slope of the hill. The rapid and intense rate of fire from enemy positions prevented the platoon from advancing further. Knee mortar fire began to adjust in on the position of the friendly force. At this time a 47mm field piece, 600 yards to the rear which had perfect observation of the whole hill slope from its bottom to the crest, opened with direct fire on the platoon. One man was seriously wounded. The platoon leader ordered his men to pull left across the face of the hill to the nearest cover and concealment. Voluntarily and with utter disregard for his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant Caruso returned up the face of the hill to the position just vacated by the platoon, despite enemy small arm, knee mortar and direct artillery fire. With the aid of another soldier he picked up the wounded man and through the concentrated fire carried him 100 yards across open exposed ground to safety. Staff Sergeant Caruso's gallant action saved the life of a wounded soldier, reflecting credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Caruso, (Mother), Box 216 E. Shore Road, Roslyn, New York.

Section II

BRONZE STAR—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technician Third Grade ROBERT B. HOLMES, (13176151), Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 13 January to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Richard J. Holmes, (Mother), 613 Buffalo Street, Franklin, Pennsylvania.

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Captain SAMUEL G. MOUNGER, (01687269), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 January to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. S. G. Mounger, (Wife), 332 University Avenue, Oxford, Mississippi.

Captain BILL ROBINS, (0494386), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 January to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Bill Robins, (Wife), 2402 Isabella Street, Houston, Texas.

Captain LESTER M. SAIDMAN, (0470301), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 January to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lester M. Saidman, (Wife), 1055 North Church Street, Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fifth Grade CHARLES A. COSTANZO, (12051379), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Luboy, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 13 and 14 February 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Costanzo was a member of an observation party which was carrying equipment for the organization to their observation post, and was ambushed by a Japanese outpost on a mountain trail. During the surprise attack Technician Fifth Grade Costanzo was wounded in the back. Despite the wound, he remained in an unprotected area to give covering fire while more wounded men were evacuated to a nearby ravine. At daybreak, despite the wound in his back, Technician Fifth Grade Costanzo volunteered to return through enemy hold territory to bring reinforcements and medical aid. Upon reaching an infantry company, he was given first aid and then he led reinforcements, litter bearers and a medical officer back to the remaining group of wounded men. Technician Fifth Grade Costanzo's coolness under fire and devotion to duty in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to other members of the observation party and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Josephine Costanzo, (Mother), 74 Farrapo Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey.

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Section I

BRONZE STAR--Awards

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

Captain ELLIOTT DAVIS, (0349755), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 1 May 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Elliott Davis (Wife), c/o J. Foreman, Vernon, Texas.

Staff Sergeant ALTON S. ENNIS, (6953847), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 18 December 1942 to 5 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Ella Ennis (Mother), Mount Valley Route, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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Technical Sergeant WILLIAM E. O'DONNELL, (39228258), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 2 October 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lydia C. O'Donnell (Mother), 7527 Walnut Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Corporal JAMES SMITH, (6956551), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 18 December 1942 to 5 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Bessie Smith (Mother), 201 North Netta Street, Picher, Oklahoma.

Sergeant LAWRENCE A. WILCOX, (6274751), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 18 December 1942 to 1 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Laura Wilcox (Mother), Mills, Wyoming.

Section II

AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the president, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant Max W. Wolfley, (01177700), per General Orders No. 52, this headquarters, 13 March 1945, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by

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the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942).

First Lieutenant MAX W. WOLFLEY, (01177700), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Ison, Philippine Islands, during the period 18 February 1945 to 24 March 1945. Lieutenant Wolfley flew in daily observation flights susceptible to enemy small arms fire to seek enemy installations and adjust artillery fire on enemy targets. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for personal safety displayed by First Lieutenant Wolfley were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Flora Belle Wolfley (Mother), 2306 NW 23d Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Section III

AIR MEDAL--Award

By direction of the president, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Major JACK A. BRISCOE, (0113152), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 17 January 1945 to 4 March 1945. Major Briscoe flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and extremely dangerous enemy positions on vital tactical reconnaissance necessary to the operations of his unit. His cool courage and ability to evaluate the terrain and enemy installations under hazardous conditions were materially responsible for the success of the Division in numerous engagements. Major Briscoe's services reflect high credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Daisy H. Briscoe, (Wife), Starkville, Mississippi.

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AIR MEDAL—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Eul 25, PD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Eul 49, PD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Colonel VICTOR L. JOHNSON, JR., (022013), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 1 February 1945 to 30 May 1945. Colonel Johnson flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and extremely dangerous enemy positions on vital tactical reconnaissance necessary to the operations of his Combat Team. His cool courage and ability to evaluate the terrain and enemy installations under hazardous conditions were materially responsible for the success of the Division through nine separate engagements. Colonel Johnson's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. V. L. Johnson (Mother), Albany, New York.

Major JOSEPH J. KOONTZ, (01283448), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 5 March 1945 to 1 May 1945. Major Koontz flew and observed in daily operational and reconnaissance flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions were of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. The services of Major Koontz reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. W. I. Koontz (Mother), 2049 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Colonel STANLEY R. LARSEN, (022094), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 1 February 1945 to 30 May 1945. Colonel Larsen flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and extremely dangerous enemy positions on vital tactical reconnaissance necessary to the operations of his Combat Team. His cool courage and ability to evaluate the terrain and enemy installations under hazardous conditions were materially responsible for the success of the Division through nine separate engagements. Colonel Larsen's services reflect credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Nell B. Larsen (Wife), Talladega, Alabama.

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Colonel PHILIP F. LINDEMAN, (O272444), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 1 February 1945 to 30 May 1945. Colonel Lindeman flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and extremely dangerous enemy positions on vital tactical reconnaissance necessary to the operations of his Combat Team. His cool courage and ability to evaluate the terrain and enemy installations under hazardous conditions were materially responsible for the success of the Division through nine separate engagements. Colonel Lindeman's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Louise B. Lindeman (Wife), 2605 Waste Street, Berkley, California.

Major JOE L. PAYNE, (O413263), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 17 January 1945 to 24 April 1945. Major Payne flew and observed in daily operational and reconnaissance flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions were of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Major Payne's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Norris M. Payne (Father), 519 Randolph Street, Huntsville, Alabama.

Captain HARVEY E. POSHARD, JR., (O1170141), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 2 February 1945 to 1 May 1945. Captain Poshard flew in daily surveillance flights over enemy held territory identifying and locating enemy positions, materiel and directing artillery fire on enemy positions. During these flights it was necessary to fly at low altitudes through mountain passes and thickly wooded areas in order to locate the enemy troops and their positions. Captain Poshard's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Julia H. Poshard (Wife), 438 2nd Street, Aurora, Indiana.

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AIR MEDAL--Posthumous Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is posthumously awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Brigadier General JAMES L. DALTON II, (019100), United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 20 January 1945 to 16 May 1945. General Dalton (then Colonel, Infantry), flew on frequent observation and reconnaissance flights over hazardous terrain, exposed to enemy anti-aircraft fire, in order to obtain vital tactical information about terrain and enemy dispositions. His cool courage and prompt evaluation of observations were materially responsible for the outstanding success of his Regiment and the Division through nine separate engagements. Brigadier General Dalton's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Next of Kin: Mrs. Catherine Dalton (wife), 4015 Union Street, Burlington, Vermont.

Section II

AIR MEDAL--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel ARTHUR L. BAKER, (0362844), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 1 February 1945 to 22 May 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Baker flew and observed in operational flights over hazardous terrain and dangerous enemy positions on reconnaissance for vital supply routes necessary to the operations of the Division. His cool courage and maintenance of supply roads were vital to the success of the Division through nine separate engagements. Lieutenant Colonel Baker's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Phyllis Baker (wife), Walla Walla, Washington.

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Brigadier General EVERETT E. BROWN, (06303), United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 20 January 1945 to 16 March 1945. General Brown flew on frequent observation and reconnaissance flights over hazardous terrain, exposed to enemy anti-aircraft fire, in order to obtain vital tactical information about terrain and enemy dispositions. His cool courage and prompt evaluation of terrain and enemy installations were materially responsible for the success of the Division in three separate engagements. Brigadier General Brown's services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Betty N. Brown (Wife), 806 Wiltshire Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

First Lieutenant DONALD H. BUCKS, (01173887), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 2 February 1945 to 24 May 1945. Lieutenant Bucks flew and observed in daily operational flights over extremely dangerous enemy positions, directing and adjusting artillery fire on vital enemy targets. His superior professional skill and his ability to think clearly and act quickly under hazardous conditions were of inestimable value in the reduction of enemy strong points by well directed artillery fire. Lieutenant Bucks services reflect credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Sophie E. Bucks (Wife), 556 S. 16th Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

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PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)—Awards

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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

2 April 1945

Private First Class JOHN BALICIK, (32595847), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Rahway, New Jersey. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 144, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 2 May 1945.)

30 April 1945

Sergeant ARNOLD W. BRAY, (35264171), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chevrolet, Kentucky. (Section I, page 2, General Orders No. 59, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 15 March 1945.)

Section II

PURPLE HEART—Awards

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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated.

19 February 1945

Private First Class L. E. R. MEDARIS, (37145603), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Aurora, Nebraska.

23 March 1945

Captain ROBERT W. GODWIN, (0419099), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. Home Address: Monsey, New York.

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27 March 1945

Technician Fifth Grade RALPH BRIGGS, (34232419), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: St. Joseph, Louisiana.

6 April 1945

Private First Class CURTIS L. EKSTROM, (39340166), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Portland, Oregon.

Private First Class JOHN G. WILKON, (37252304), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mott, North Dakota.

15 April 1945

Private First Class ANDREW B. BASSI, (36664984), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

18 April 1945

Technician Fourth Grade GUNTHER KOLL, (12027488), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Long Island, New York.

25 April 1945

Private First Class SAM LIFSCHITZ, (32703068), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Bronx, New York.

26 April 1945

Sergeant PAUL O. ROBERTSON, (37673360), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cantril, Iowa.

27 April 1945

Sergeant JOHN L. DALICO, (33159609), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Erie, Pennsylvania.

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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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

4 April 1945

Private RICHARD L. VICKERS, (34199934), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Durham, North Carolina. (Section II, page 8, General Orders No. 28, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 8 April 1943).

7 May 1945

Private First Class RAYMOND F. GILL, (33266401), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 100, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 5 April 1945).

20 May 1945

First Lieutenant JORDAN L. EFFERSON, (02048903), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. Home Address: Joplin, Missouri. (Page 2, General Orders No. 70, Headquarters, 25th Infantry Division, 20 March 1945).

Section II

Purple Heart--Awards

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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

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21 March 1945

Private First Class KENNETH W. MORRIS, (17012226), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Gretna, Nebraska.

19 April 1945

Sergeant DANIEL J. BOCHICCHIO, (32005062), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: New Rochelle, New York.

21 April 1945

Technician Fourth Grade JOHN E. LYONS, (11009374), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Worcester, Massachusetts.

25 April 1945

Captain EDWARD S. KAULIKIS, (0452114), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Seattle, Washington.

27 April 1945

Private First Class HOWARD J. AUDIFFRED, (38497293), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Reserve, Louisiana.

Private JUAN ACUNA, (39727916), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Baja, California.

28 April 1945

Private PAUL H. CONDI, (33922664), Field Artillery, United States Army. Home Address: Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

29 April 1945

Staff Sergeant HOWARD F. FANSTED, (34041331), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Knoxville, Tennessee.

Private First Class WILLIAM A. MAREY, (34775947), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Concord, North Carolina.

Private First Class WILLIAM C. MARTIN, JR., (38481959), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Longview, Texas.

Private First Class WALTER E. SMITH, (33694136), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kittanning, Pennsylvania.

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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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

23 February 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH P. MARTIN, (36753561), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Elgin, Illinois.

30 April 1945

Private First Class HAL K. BYRON, (39418000), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fresno, California.

Private First Class LEONARD I. EINHORN, (35066399), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cleveland, Ohio.

Private OLIVER D. WALSH, (36908747), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Chicago, Illinois.

Private DON L. YOUNG, (39933738), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Salt Lake City, Utah.

1 May 1945

Sergeant TOM M. ORDAZ, (18018148), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Salida, Colorado.

2 May 1945

Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT L. STEVENSON, (0343589), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Alameda, California.

Private JAMES S. WICKWIRE, JR., (12233176), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jackson, Michigan.

3 May 1945

Private RICHARD D. HOKER, (39424610), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Vallejo, California.

Private First Class HEBERT L. PILGRIM, (39379597), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Clarkston, Washington.

6 May 1945

Private First Class RAY G. COLLINS, (38540748), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sour Lake, Texas.

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7 May 1945

Private First Class EDWIN B. BRYCE, (35558373), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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~~Private First Class BASIL BRUNE, JR., (38062267), Infantry, United States Army.~~
~~Home Address: Greenville, Texas.~~

15 May 1945

Private JOHN L. BEST, (36847210), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Private GERALD R. JONES, (39425842), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: San Francisco, California.

Private First Class RODMAN R. LITTLE, (37317641), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Big Falls, Minnesota.

16 May 1945

Captain CLARENCE R. LLEWELLYN, (02042995), Field Artillery, United States Army.
Home Address: Spokane, Washington.

17 May 1945

Private First Class JOHN H. ARD, (38538990), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Fred, Texas.

18 May 1945

Private WILLIAM H. BARNETT, (39346937), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: North Powder, Oregon.

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

Technician Fourth Grade LESTER J. BACON, (32366598), Medical Department, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 January to 28 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lester J. Bacon, (Wife), Bridgeton, New Jersey.

Technician Fifth Grade HOMER H. BANKS, (15090973), Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 2 to 6 February 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Banks during this period acted as a litter bearer. He made numerous trips to the front line companies in the face of intense machine gun fire to evacuate the wounded. On several occasions he took it upon himself to go forward across open terrain, in spite of heavy machine gun and mortar fire, to evacuate the wounded to a covered position. Technician Fifth Grade Banks' disregard for his own personal safety and efficient performance of his duties under such hazardous conditions were an inspiration to all who witnessed his deeds and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ethel A. Whisman, (Mother), Hugheston, West Virginia.

Technician Fourth Grade CECIL L. BRASHIER, (37607225), Armored, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 April 1945. Technician Fourth Grade Brashier, tank driver, in traveling over a narrow road with very steep grades and many sharp curves made a left turn on a curve that was less than a right angle on a downgrade slope. A cliff on the right side of the road dropped away precipitously to a valley 300 feet below. Finding his tank unable to negotiate the curve, he stopped the tank and attempted to shift into reverse, but the tank continued creeping forward and required both hands to hold back the two laterals. With the prospect of the tank plunging over the cliff, the remainder of the crew, powerless to assist Technician Fourth Grade Brashier, dismounted. Disregarding personal safety, Technician Fourth Grade Brashier voluntarily remained at the controls until another tank could be brought up and hooked to the rear of his tank to withdraw it to safety. During the fifteen minutes required to complete the operation, Technician Fourth Grade Brashier's tank continued inching forward until approximately five feet of its length was suspended over the edge of the cliff. Technician Fourth Grade Brashier's heroic deeds saved the tank and were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Virginia M. Brashier, (Wife), Route 1, Flak, Missouri.

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Technician Fifth Grade ELMER A. BRIDGES, (37607049), Armored, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Balete pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 12 April 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Bridges, tank driver, approached a very narrow ridge that fell away steeply on each side. After the vehicle had negotiated two-thirds of the distance to the top, a bulldozer had to push the tank because of the spinning of the tracks. Atop the ridge, the tank began to slip over the edge. Only extremely difficult maneuvering and very skillful driving by Technician Fifth Grade Bridges succeeded in bringing the tank out of the skid and to a halt. At this point the remainder of the crew dismounted while Technician Fifth Grade Bridges voluntarily and with disregard for his personal safety, elected to remain in the driver's seat and keep the brakes locked to prevent the tank from falling about 75 feet and being put out of action. Technician Fifth Grade Bridges remained in the tank forty-five minutes, under severe strain holding the brakes until another tank could be utilized to recover the vehicle. Technician Fifth Grade Bridges' heroic actions were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Blanche A. Reid, (Mother), Route 1, Grubville, Missouri.

Lieutenant Colonel JOHN L. STAPLETON, (0288564), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Grace L. Stapleton, (Wife), Columbus, Georgia.

Technician Fourth Grade VERE VANDEGRIFT, (39083398), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 12 October 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Mable Vandegrift, (Mother), 639 North G Street, Tulare, California.

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BRONZE STAR MEDAL(OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal Awarded to Major Sion F. Sherrill, (0299583), as published in General Orders No. 28, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Major SIO. F. SHERRILL, (0299583), Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January 1945 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Lottie Sherrill, (Wife), Belle Fourche, South Dakota.

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BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant PETER COLTON, (13002114), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 7 December 1943 to 15 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Colton, (mother), Box 2, Morann, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class FRANK H. COOK, (17044710), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 January 1945. Private First Class Cook, scout, was a member of a three man reconnaissance patrol on a mission investigating unknown enemy activities 1300 yards away cross flat, open rice fields. The patrol received concentrated light and heavy machine gun fire from commanding hills six hundred yards away. While the patrol leader mounted a dike to observe, Private First Class Cook moved to the flank to provide security. By means of skillful and determined observation, the patrol located three machine gun nests, an enemy observation post and the exact location of about a platoon of riflemen, and returning to their battalion, reported their findings. Shortly afterwards, an eight man patrol was ordered out to reconnoiter a route to the hills. Private First Class Cook immediately volunteered to accompany this patrol. Nineteen hundred yards away from their battalion, the patrol received grazing fire from two enemy machine guns supported by riflemen in snags two hundred and fifty yards away. He then remained in position to support the withdrawal of another friendly patrol which was attempting to rescue a wounded man. Private First Class Cook with two other men were able to place enough flanking fire on the enemy to allow the casualty to be evacuated. With disregard to his personal safety, he assisted in carrying the seriously injured man for eighteen hundred yards, through sniper fire to safety. Private First Class Cook's heroic actions were an inspiration to all who witnessed them reflecting credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Myra West, (mother), Route 1, Hornersville, Missouri.

Captain FRED M. GEBHART, (0352728), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 31 October 1942 to 31 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Vivian F. Gebhart, (wife), 350 South Westlake, Los Angeles, California.

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Master Sergeant ELBERT O. LINDLEY, (6566860), Signal Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 17 December 1942 to 26 January 1945. Home address: Mr. Oren E. Lindley, (Father), 404 North C Street, Tacoma, Washington.

Lieutenant Colonel NELSON McKAIG, JR., (0169209), Chemical Warfare Service, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 5 March 1943 to 17 December 1944. Home Address: Mrs. Lois K. McKaig, Jr., (Wife), 709 Ivinson Avenue, Laramie, Wyoming.

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES C. SMEE, (0363665), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces in the South and Southwest Pacific Areas from 1 November 1944 to 15 January 1945. Home Address: Lexington, Kentucky.

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Section IV

COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE--Awards

1. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Cir #408, 17 October 1944, Major THOMAS J. CLEARY, (023998), Infantry, is awarded the COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 13 May 1945.

2. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Cir # 408, 17 October 1944, Technician Fifth Grade Paul R. KOVACICH, (39109670), Infantry, is awarded the COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 15 April 1945.

3. Under the provision of Section I WD Cir #408, 17 October 1944, Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD C. SCHORF, (35232008), Infantry, is awarded the COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 15 April 1945.

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Section I

SOLDIER'S MEDAL--Award

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bulletin 8, WD, 1926), a Soldier's Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Technician Fourth Grade LLOYD J. SESSLER, (35277494), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroism at Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 18 April 1945. Technician Fourth Grade Sessler, auto mechanic, was present when twenty rounds of enemy artillery landed in his battery area. One round was a direct hit in the gun pit. Twenty-five rounds of 155mm HE and WP ammunition were in the gun pit, nine of which were fused for a mission being fired. While the fire was raging, Technician Fourth Grade Sessler drove a TD-14 bulldozer into the revetment, pushing dirt over the shells and powder to extinguish the fire. This eliminated the possibility of further danger to personnel and damage to the equipment of his battery. During the time of this action, two WP 155mm shells and a number of powder charges exploded. Technician Fourth Grade Sessler's exemplary behavior in the face of imminent danger at the risk of his life is in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lucille Sessler, (Mother), La Rue, Ohio.

Section II

BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star medal awarded to Major Jack A. Briscoe, (0413152), as published in General Orders No. 829, Headquarters USAFISPA, 24 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Major JACK A. BRISCOE, (0413152), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 3 May 1945 to 25 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Daisy H. Briscoe, (Wife), Starkville, Mississippi.

Section III

BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade ANDREW J. KOZLOSKIE, (7025371), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 25 February 1945 to 20 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Frances Kozloskie, (Mother), 952 West Willow Street, Shamokin, Pennsylvania.

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Sergeant EARL PETERSON, (18053005), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 23 March 1945 to 22 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Maggie Peterson (Mother), Wilson, Texas.

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COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE--Awards

1. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Cir #408, 17 October 1944, Major THOMAS J. CLEARY, (023993), Infantry, is awarded the **COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE** for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 13 May 1945.

2. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Cir #408, 17 October 1944, Technician Fifth Grade PAUL R. KOVACICH, (39109670), Infantry, is awarded the **COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE** for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 15 April 1945.

3. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Cir #408, 17 October 1944, Technician Fifth Grade RICHARD G. SCHNORF, (35232008), Infantry, is awarded the **COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE** for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 15 April 1945.

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COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE--AWARD

Under the provisions of Section 1, WD Cir #408 L7 October 1944, Colonel THOMAS N STARK, 010368, (Infantry), General Staff Corps, is awarded the COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy of Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 1 February 1945.

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Section I
SILVER STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant FARLEY HUDDLESTON, (34190103), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 14 April 1945. Staff Sergeant Huddleston, assistant patrol leader, was proceeding with his patrol along a supply route when they were fired upon by an enemy force of riflemen supported by a machine gun. In the initial exchange of fire, two men of the patrol were wounded from the enemy machine gun which continued to fire on the patrol. Staff Sergeant Huddleston, seeing that the enemy gun was capable of pinning down the entire patrol, in the face of enemy machine gun and rifle fire, laid aside his M-1 rifle, picked up a BAR, and rising to his full stature, raked the area from which the enemy fire was coming, all the while directing the removal of the wounded men. His gallantry so inspired the other members of the patrol that they moved forward, clearing out the enemy resistance. Staff Sergeant Huddleston's courageous actions reflected credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mr. Sam Huddleston, (Father), Fortus, Tennessee.

Private First Class DONALD L. McDONALD, (37627226), Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 April 1945. Private First Class McDonald was aid man with an infantry company which was pinned down by enemy fire thirty-five yards from its objective. Four men who had been wounded were lying in the line of fire from the two mutually supporting machine guns. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Private First Class McDonald crawled under fierce enemy fire to administer first aid to the wounded men, dragging three of them to points of safety. Following this display of fearlessness, thinking he may have erred in assuming the fourth man to be dead, he returned and removed the other man. Private First Class McDonald's gallant actions were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Margaret McDonald, (Mother), 3508 Victor Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

First Lieutenant ELLIOT J. NICOLSON, (01316777), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 April 1945. First Lieutenant Nicolson, Platoon Leader, led a two platoon assault force spearheading the day's attack on a strongly held enemy hill. The assaulting force reduced its defenses with slight loss to themselves. Consolidating their gains, the force prepared to dig in on a narrow ridge flanked by precipitous sides and unavoidably exposed to Japanese artillery fire.

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Before positions were completed, an enemy barrage began to land in the area. Completely exposing himself to the artillery fire, with utter disregard to his own personal safety, First Lieutenant Nicolson with only one noncommissioned officer to assist him went from position to position organizing the men into small groups to withdraw. In the new positions, accurate enemy mortar fire destroyed the last heavy machine gun and wounded three of its crew. In the face of the enemy barrage he again organized a withdrawal to previously prepared positions, when he was hit in the back by a small piece of shrapnel. Refusing medical aid, he supervised the withdrawal and assisted in carrying out the wounded. First Lieutenant Nicolson's gallant actions, coolness under fire and his extreme devotion to duty, were an inspiration to his men and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. John J. G. Nicolson, (Father), 43 Plymouth Avenue, Stratford, Connecticut.

Sergeant HAROLD L. STAFFORD, (19203561), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 24 March 1945. Sergeant (then Private First Class) Stafford was lead scout of a combat patrol, and as it reached its objective, he proceeded to investigate the enemy positions. As he began to advance, the enemy suddenly laid down a withering fire from machine guns and rifle. Simultaneously word came from the rear that an enemy group was working toward the patrol from behind. Although retreat appeared to be the only alternative, with disregard to his own personal safety, Sergeant Stafford refused to leave without making possible the safe withdrawal of two men who had been pinned to the ground by the intense rifle and machine gun fire of the enemy. He succeeded in reloading his M-1 rifle with his left hand, at the same time throwing eight grenades, silencing the enemy machine gun, allowing the withdrawal of the two men. Sergeant Stafford's gallant actions were solely responsible for the safe withdrawal of the entire patrol, reflecting credit on himself and in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Glen M. Stafford, (Brother), 340 N. Cambridge Street, Orange, California.

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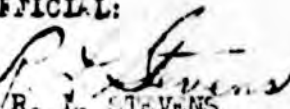
COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE--Award

Under the provisions of Section I, WD Cir #408, 17 October 1944, Colonel THOMAS N. STARK, 010368, (Infantry), General Staff Corps, is awarded the COMBAT INFANTRYMAN BADGE for satisfactory performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy on Luzon, Philippine Islands. This award shall be retroactive as of 1 February 1945.

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SILVER STAR--Posthumous Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1915, (Bul 43, WD 1918), a Silver Star is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant CHESTER F. GRAFF, (37567676), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 28 January 1945. After three days of fighting against the determined enemy garrison at San Manuel, Company E, 888 Infantry, located in a vulnerable salient near the center of town, found itself faced with an all out enemy armored counterattack employing about 20 tanks and 100 supporting riflemen. Although his platoon was forced to withdraw to a more tenable position, Staff Sergeant Graff elected to stand fast and fight beside an anti-tank rifle grenadier whose position was later surrounded. Through Staff Sergeant Graff's utter disregard for personal safety by protecting him with rifle fire and hand grenades, the grenadier was able to destroy two enemy tanks and kill three accompanying riflemen. The voluntary and courageous action of Staff Sergeant Graff in the face of machine gun and 47mm gun fire from assaulting tanks, contributed materially in slowing down the enemy counterattack sufficiently to give rear elements time to regroup and successfully crush the entire assault. Home Address: Mrs. Marie Graff, (Mother), 206 S. River Street, Austin, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant ARTHUR W. HENWOOD, (37152624), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at San Isidro, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. While operating as a rifle platoon sergeant with a group charged with the mission of evacuating wounded over exposed terrain, Staff Sergeant Henwood's patrol moved about two hundred yard when the point of the patrol reached a four strand barb wire fence. Two of the patrol passed the wire fence without mishap. As the officer in charge of the patrol worked his way through, a concealed enemy machine gun fired rapid grazing bursts along a clear field of fire paralleling the fence, wounding the officer. Seeing the critical situation and with disregard to his own personal safety, Staff Sergeant Henwood voluntarily moved to the aid of the helpless officer. While extricating him from the wire fence, the officer was again wounded by machine gun fire. With determined courage Staff Sergeant Henwood finally tore the casualty loose and dragged him twenty-five yards to safety and immediate medical treatment. Staff Sergeant Henwood's gallant and selfless act was responsible for saving a wounded man from almost certain death reflecting credit upon himself and the military service: Home Address: Dorothy M. Henwood (Wife), Spearfish, South Dakota.

First Lieutenant MILTON C. WOLFE, (01317966), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Mount Myoko, Luzon, Philippine

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Islands, from 28 April to 1 May 1945. First Lieutenant Wolfe, Mortar Platoon Leader, was active in manning forward Regimental Observation Posts and directing the fire of artillery as well as that of Infantry weapons in an exceptional manner. During this period he occupied a forward observation post in the vicinity of Mount Myoko. Since this was the only position from which mortar fire on enemy positions could be effectively controlled, Lieutenant Wolfe, with utter disregard to his own personal safety, elected to stay at this position, despite enemy machine gun, direct 47mm and intermittent mortar fire. His superior direction of fire upon the enemy positions aided materially in the success of our troops. Lieutenant Wolfe's gallant and intrepid actions were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Alletta S. Wolfe, (Mother), 34 Tenth Street, Haddon Heights, New Jersey.

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BRONZE STAR--Posthumous Award

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

Corporal WILBUR W. HENDERSON, (33142676), Field Artillery, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January 1945 to 10 April 1945. Home Address: Mr. Wilbur Henderson (Father), RD 1, Box 169, Shelocta, Pennsylvania,

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By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Pul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major WHITNEY H. MISSILDINE, (0423897), Medical Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Putlar, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Major Missildine, on receiving an emergency call from a field artillery Battalion which was being shelled by enemy artillery, immediately proceeded to the scene and administered medical aid to the wounded. The timely and courageous actions of Major Missildine in the face of grave danger were instrumental in saving the lives of the wounded, and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. W. H. Missildine, (Wife), 202 S. Russell Street, Ames, Iowa.

Technician Fifth Grade WILLIE MOBLEY, (14042344), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Bulate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. A truck convoy was ambushed by a squad of Japanese soldiers along a bulldozer road cut through the jungle and were forced to return four hundred yards to their starting point. Upon learning that the motor officer and motor sergeant were missing and that two three-quarter ton trucks had been abandoned, Technician Fifth Grade Mobley, a driver, accompanied by another soldier, volunteered to return on foot and attempt to find the missing men and rescue the trucks. Though discovered by Japanese, Technician Fifth Grade Mobley continued on his mission. Finding no trace of the two missing men, Technician Fifth Grade Mobley returned to the trucks. With great difficulty he succeeded in getting them turned around on the steep, narrow road and driven back to a point of safety where they could be fixed. Technician Fifth Grade Mobley's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Rebecca Mobley, (Mother), 1934 Elise Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT J. SPEAKS, (0387034), General Staff Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 11 March 1945 to 22 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Anna C. Speaks, (Mother), 802 South Cushman Avenue, Tacoma, Washington.

Private First Class DOROTEO TRUJILLO, (38148554), Infantry, 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. Private First

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Class Trujillo's platoon was committed to fill a gap on the company's left flank during an enemy counterattack. Two men of his platoon were seriously wounded. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, Private First Class Trujillo twice moved over thirty yards of open exposed ground, under grazing rifle, machine gun and 47mm mortar fire carrying the two wounded men to safety. These voluntary acts were followed by his effective administration of first aid and further exposure in helping evacuate the casualties to the rear. Private First Class Trujillo's heroic actions were an inspiration to all who witnessed them and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Miss Emma Trujillo, (Niece), c/o Louis Gustrerrez, Route #2, Berthoud, Colorado.

Sergeant HUBERT W. VOTH, (37175676), Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 20 April 1945. Responding to an emergency call for medical aid when a field artillery battery position was shelled by enemy artillery, Sergeant Voth, aid man, voluntarily went to the aid of the wounded. With high explosive shells bursting around him and at the risk of his own life, he remained exposed while bringing up necessary medical supplies and administering first aid to the casualties. Sergeant Voth's courage, coolness under fire, and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and reflected high credit upon himself and the Medical Department. Home Address: Mrs. Anne Voth, (Mother), Route #4, Red Wing, Minnesota.

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Section I

BRONZE STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Brigadier General Everette E. Brown, (06303), as published in General Orders No. 85, Headquarters Sixth Division, 23 May 1945, 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 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944).

Brigadier General EVERETT E. BROWN, (06303), United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 11 January 1945 to 16 March 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Betty N. Brown, (Wife), 806 Wiltsuire Avenue, San Antonio, Texas.

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BRONZE STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 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 Lieutenant GERALD H. CLARK, (01109461), Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. Lieutenant Clark continuously exposed himself to enemy heavy and light machine gun and small arms fire in order to put himself in a more advantageous position to estimate by sound the effect of his artillery fire on the enemy. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant Clark brought artillery fire to within fifty yards of himself and the infantry in order to break up repeated fanatical enemy attacks. First Lieutenant Clark's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Cecille V. Clark, (Wife), 13 Morrill Avenue, Waterville, Maine.

Private First Class MICHAEL G. GREFF, (37171452), Infantry, 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. When the assault elements of his Company were suffering heavy casualties from Japanese automatic small arms fire, supporting a tank led counterattack, Private First Class Greff served as a runner to deliver an important message to the reserve platoon and to guide them to the zone of operation. Realizing the immediate need of reinforcements to relieve the pressure, he elected to move across 400 yards of ground that offered little cover to carry out his mission, exposing himself to machine gun and

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sniper fire. Private First Class Greff's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Gabriel Greff, (Mother), Route #3, Regent, North Dakota.

Staff Sergeant FRANK J. HON, (16008231), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 16 February to 21 March 1945, Home Address: Mr. Joseph Hon (Father), Lausau, Wisconsin.

Colonel VICTOR L. JOHNSON, JR., (022013), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at O.P. Hill, Kambu Plateau, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 29 April to 6 May 1945. Home Address: Mrs. V. L. Johnson, (Mother), 630 Western Avenue, Albany, New York.

Colonel PHILIP F. LINDEMAN, (0272444), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Myoko Mountain, Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 17 March 1945 to 28 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Louise B. Lindeman (Wife), 2605 Haste Street, Berkeley, California.

Private First Class HARRY W. LYTLE, (33555871), Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. A truck convoy was ambushed by a squad of Japanese soldiers along a bulldozer road cut through the jungle and forced to return four hundred yards to their starting point. Upon learning that the motor officer and motor sergeant were missing and that two three-quarter ton trucks had been abandoned, Private First Class Lytle, a driver, accompanied by another soldier, volunteered to return on foot and attempt to find the missing men and rescue the trucks. Though discovered by the Japanese, one of whom he wounded, Private First Class Lytle continued on his mission. Finding no trace of the two missing men, Private First Class Lytle returned to the trucks. With great difficulty and in spite of both front tires being blown out on one of the trucks, he succeeded in getting them turned around on the steep, narrow road and driven to a point of safety where they could be fixed. Private First Class Lytle's devotion to duty in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Lytle (Mother), Route #1, Markleysburg, Pennsylvania.

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PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

9 May 1945

Staff Sergeant BENJAMIN F. HALL, (12028339), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Parkersburg, West Virginia. (Section II, page 1, General Orders No. 135, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 26 April 1945.)

19 May 1945

Staff Sergeant GRANT S. G. HADDEE, (37119450), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Loup City, Nebraska. (Section II, page 4, General Orders No. 5, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 12 March 1944.)

21 May 1945

Private First Class FRANK L. LANGENHEIM, (19067487), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lincoln, Nebraska. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 57, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 14 March 1945.)

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

15 May 1945

Private LEROY BRADLEY, (38014159), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Wingate, New Mexico.

Sergeant FLOYD GANTKA, (6858034), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hazelton, North Dakota.

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Private First Class ARTHUR J. NEVINS, (38583616), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Farmington, New Mexico.

Private First Class RICHARD O. WILDMAN, (39920521), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Monticello, Utah.

Private First Class RICHARD WILLIAMSON, (37616595), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bunker, Missouri.

16 May 1945

Technician Fourth Grade THOMAS A. CHAVEZ, (38003759), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Winslow, Arizona.

Private First Class RUSSEL D. HERTZEL, (36472054), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Flint, Michigan.

17 May 1945

Private DANIEL KRANENBONK, (39935289), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Salt Lake City, Utah.

Private SAM M. LARAMORE, (38550359), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Houston, Texas.

Sergeant ALBERT G. OLIVER, (33658015), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Roanoke, Virginia.

Corporal GEORGE ROSENBLATT, (32960676), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: New York, New York.

Private First Class STANLEY A. SMITH, (33696268), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Clairton, Pennsylvania.

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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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

1 May 1945

Private First Class MARSEE L. WILSON, (35877160), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Woodbine, Kentucky.

18 May 1945

Private First Class THURMAN AKERS, (35772251), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dana, Kentucky.

Private First Class GEORGE H. BAILEY, (38572660), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wilson, Oklahoma.

Private First Class JOHN R. BEELER, (44041253), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Knoxville, Tennessee.

Private First Class WILLIAM H. BRUNER, (39936304), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Ryegate, Montana.

Private First Class ARNOLD M. ERICKSON, (37774230), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Garretson, South Dakota.

Private First Class CHARLIE R. HALL, (39865779), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Tempe, Arizona.

Private First Class DALE C. LOFER, (20848923), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Malakoff, Texas.

Technician Fourth Grade JAMES D. McCARTY, (35732419), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Evansville, Indiana.

Private First Class EDWARD V. MENDOZA, (19203444), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

Technician Fifth Grade FRANK J. ORAVEC, (33630115), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Private First Class LEE RIORDAN, (38076561), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Sterling, Colorado.

Private First Class JOHN M. SEXTON, (35909690), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jasonville, Indiana.

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19 May 1945

Sergeant VIRGIL C. KENTER, (37493624), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Kansas City, Missouri.

Private First Class EARNEST M. NICCUM, (35909363), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lafayette, Indiana.

20 May 1945

Private First Class FRED J. FISCHER, (44032387), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fort Payne, Alabama.

Private First Class RICHARD C. MCCOY, (39468006), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Moscow, Idaho.

Staff Sergeant JAMES L. NEFFEN, (6954072), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Denver, Colorado.

Corporal STEVE A. SOSNOWSKI, (33299862), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Private JAMES E. STRICKLAND, (14139616), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gabbettville, Georgia.

21 May 1945

Private First Class WILLIAM R. SMITH, JR., (33496050), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.

Private THOMAS E. DAVIS, JR., (35784320), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Huntington, West Virginia.

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Section I

PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Award:

By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart and Oak-Leaf Cluster awarded Private First Class W. J. SUZUK, (42004076), Medical Department, by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, as published in General Orders No. 59, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 15 March 1945 and General Orders No. 192, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 22 May 1945, a second Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 16 May 1945. Home address: Jersey City, New Jersey.

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

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 officer and enlisted men for wounds received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

16 March 1945

Technician Fourth Grade SANTOS L. DUCHO, (30100490), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home address: Hilo, Territory of Hawaii.

29 March 1945

First Sergeant HARRELL J. RUSH, (4969202), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Groveton, Texas.

10 April 1945

First Lieutenant CLARENCE E. CARTWRIGHT, JR., (01285010), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Marked Tree, Arkansas.

14 April 1945

Technician Fifth Grade BENJAMIN F. WALDEN, (34353664), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home address: College Park, Georgia.

17 April 1945

Private BUFORD HOWE, (34986107), Infantry, United States Army. Home address: Senatobia, Mississippi.

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20 April 1945

Private First Class DAVID HOFFEN, JR., (33681764), Medical Department,
United States Army. Home Address: Brockport, Pennsylvania.

24 April 1945

Technician Fifth Grade GAIL EURE, (35426980), Medical Department,
United States Army. Home Address: Tygarts Valley, Kentucky.

10 May 1945

Staff Sergeant RICHARD C. JORDAN, (15066223), Infantry, United States
Army. Home Address: Paris, Kentucky.

12 May 1945

Sergeant NOAH E. HALEY, (18064527), Infantry, United States Army. Home
Address: Ashland, Kentucky.

Private WILLIAM J. KOCH, (35909214), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Mishawaka, Indiana.

Staff Sergeant EVERETT B. VAN HART, (38141770), Infantry, United States
Army. Home Address: Fawn Grove, Pennsylvania.

13 May 1945

Sergeant CLIFFORD M. HOUSEP, (37106263), Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Scranton, Arkansas.

Private First Class PETE LAWRENCE, (3525822), Infantry, United States
Army. Home Address: Reedley, California.

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Section I

SILVER STAR—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer and enlisted men:

Technician Fifth Grade FRANK P. LATINO, (20225636), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Baleho, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 16 February 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Latino, a bulldozer operator acting as a relief operator on a caterpillar D-7 angle-doser was employed in construction of a supply road to forward infantry units. After the bulldozer had cut for an hour and fifteen minutes, during which time it had worked well down the forward nose of the hill, artillery shells began to fall in the immediate area. Fifty rounds were fired including four near misses with one hitting under the left track puncturing the fuel tank in three places and severely damaging the bulldozer. Technician Fifth Grade Latino at the first firing had taken cover in the nearest defiladed spot. With field glasses he spotted the damage to the fuel tank and final drive housing. With disregard of his own personal safety, he crawled to the bulldozer, turned it around, and ~~drove~~ it over the hill to a defiladed spot, thus saving a valuable piece of heavy road building equipment. Technician Fifth Grade Latino's actions and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest standards of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lena Latino, (Mother), Caribaldi Street, Bernardsville, N.J., Jersey.

Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT L. STEVENSON, (0343589), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 30 April 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Stevenson, Battalion Commander, leading elements of his command through the lines of an infantry company, advanced approximately seventy-five yards, when they were pinned down by an enemy heavy machine gun located on the objective. From his position in a forward observation post located about one hundred yards from the objective, Colonel Stevenson located the enemy machine gun and immediately placed fire upon it although armed only with a carbine. Due to the excellent position of the enemy, small arms fire had little effect upon them. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, while in full view and under direct fire of the enemy machine gun, he left his cover, called for and directed the fire of a bazooka team upon the enemy position. When the fire of the bazooka failed to silence the enemy gun, although still under fire and pinned to the ground, Colonel Stevenson then moved to a point where he could direct fire, although himself exposed to both enemy fire and shell fragments from the fire of the M-7, succeeded in directing the accurate fire which destroyed the enemy gun and forced the remaining

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enemy to retreat. Lieutenant Colonel Stevenson's gallant actions, far above and beyond the call of duty, coolness and superior leadership at a time of great danger, were an inspiration to his entire command and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mary M. Stevenson, (Wife), 11749 2nd Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

Private First Class THEODORE WILCZEWSKI, (11019156), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 April 1945. Private First Class Wilczeski, an automatic rifleman, was in a position on a slope approaching a high knoll where an infantry company had hastily dug in the previous afternoon. A Japanese force launched a furious attack from a knoll in front of the infantry company. An enemy heavy machine gun was set up on the right flank and was delivering a withering enfilade fire pinning everyone to the ground. Private First Class Wilczeski, along with another man, knowing that the enemy machine gun would have to be eliminated if the enemy attack was to be repulsed, on his own initiative and in the face of enemy machine gun, rifles and mortars, deliberately exposed himself to the intense enemy fire in order to locate the enemy machine gun position. After locating the enemy machine gun, Private First Class Wilczeski, with complete disregard for his own personal safety while exposed to intense enemy fire, moved to a position where he could deliver fire on the enemy machine gun causing many casualties on the enemy. Private First Class Wilczeski's gallant actions above and beyond the call of duty and coolness under enemy fire were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Wilczeski, (Mother), 76 Roath Street, Norwich, Connecticut.

Section II

Rescission of General Orders

1. So much of General Orders No. 124, this headquarters, dated 17 May 1945, which pertains to the award of the Silver Star to Staff Sergeant ARTHUR W. HENWOOD, (37152624), is rescinded.

2. So much of General Orders No. 139, this headquarters, dated 30 April 1945, which pertains to the award of the Silver Star to Staff Sergeant CHESTER F. GRAY, (37567676), is rescinded.

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SILVER STAR--Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major WILLIAM R. COLE, (0387282), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 7 May 1945. An infantry company was attacking a series of wooded knolls on an important ridge line. The top of the hill was the only place where observation was possible and this was under intense enemy rifle fire. Major Cole, Battalion Executive Officer, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, while in full view and under direct fire of enemy snipers located in dense woods on a reverse slope, exposed himself intermittently over a period of two hours in order to register and adjust supporting artillery and mortar fire. Major Cole's gallant actions, accurate fire direction and personal bravery were an inspiration to the officers and men of his unit and were in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Maxine Cole, (wife), 19 East Dickson Street, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Private First Class NORRIS L. GALVEZ, (39590817), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 May 1945. Private First Class Galvez, a bulldozer operator, was proceeding to a forward construction job when he was stopped and told that the enemy had two automatic weapons firing across the road over which the bulldozer had to pass. Private First Class Galvez knew the equipment was needed desperately forward to complete a vital evacuation and supply route to the fighting men above. Although unprotected by armor plating, and realizing that the bulldozer speed could not exceed five miles per hour making an excellent target, with utter disregard for his own personal safety, he voluntarily drove the bulldozer through withering fire laid down by the enemies automatic weapons. Private First Class Galvez's quick thinking, coolness under fire and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his deed, reflecting credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Florence N. Galvez, (wife), Box 115, Sells, Arizona.

Sergeant SANLEY A. GREENFIELD, (33593020), Armored, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 12 April 1945. Sergeant Greenfield was the tank commander of the second of two tanks which were supporting an infantry attack. Both vehicles had to be pushed by a bulldozer to the line of departure because of the steep grade. Both vehicles travelled in column until a forty yard advance revealed a slight left turn in the ridge. The ridge was an approach to a small knoll which was strongly defended by enemy infantry supported by direct artillery and mortar fire. The second tank was assigned the mission of supporting and protecting the left flank with fire from the tank weapons. After the lead tank had advanced fifty yards along the ridge, the infantry dug in because of intense enemy fire. After firing the entire supply of ammunition in each tank and being ready to withdraw, the tank directly

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behind stalled and its engine could not be started. A withdrawal could not be effected unless the other tank turned around to push the stalled tank to the rear. At this time, with utter disregard to his own personal safety, Sergeant Greenfield dismounted under the fire of two enemy machine guns, ran about twenty-five yards and took charge of maneuvering the tank to a covered position. Sergeant Greenfield's gallantry and intrepidity were an inspiration to all who witnessed his deed and were in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Matthew Greenfield, (Father), 3362 Rand Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Technician Fourth Grade KARL A. INGRAM, JR., (38085019), Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for gallant action against the Japanese forces at Minuli, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 4 May 1945. Technician Fourth Grade Ingram, a diesel mechanic, realizing the vital need of a deadlined bulldozer, volunteered to revert back to his former duty as operator to drive the open bulldozer to the repair shop through a road block from where he had been fired upon as he drove past enroute to the disabled equipment. Fully cognizant of the risk to his life, he drove the slowly moving bulldozer back through the block, seeking what cover he could by hanging on the reverse side of the motor, courageously and daringly exposing himself at intervals to operate the steering clutches. Technician Fourth Grade Ingram's gallant action made the bulldozer available for vital work in maintaining and building main supply routes, and his voluntary action above the call of duty reflected credit on himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Karl Ingram, (Mother), 219 South Sixth Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Captain EDWARD S. KAULAKIS, (0452114), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 29 April 1945. Captain Kaulakis, a commander of an infantry company, moved to attack an enemy strongpoint on a knoll of a principal ridge line. Under supporting fire of machine guns, his company advanced part way up the slope of the hill when the supporting fires were lifted. The enemy, from holes cut in tunnels through the reverse slope, opened fire with rifles and machine guns. Captain Kaulakis observed another machine gun being put into action on the top of the hill by six enemy soldiers. With utter disregard for his own personal safety, he led a charge up the hill which surprised the enemy in the act of opening fire and secured the top of the hill. Captain Kaulakis' gallant actions and quick thinking were an inspiration to his men and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Stella Lapot, (Sister), 1447 N. Corlies Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant JAMES A. NOWAK, (37563233), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Staff Sergeant Nowak flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Staff Sergeant Nowak are in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Catherine Nowak, (Mother), 912 9th Avenue E., Duluth, Minnesota.

Private First Class WILLIAM E. POPE, (34665341), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Pope flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Pope are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Willie R. Pope, (Mother), 107 S. Elm Street Durham, North Carolina.

Captain JAMES R. PORTER, (0402794), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Captain Porter flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Captain Porter are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mattie M. Porter, (Wife), 615 Louise Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Private First Class JOHN H. REDENIUS, (37038894), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Redenius flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Redenius are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Hie H. Redenius, (Father), 39th & Minnesota, RFD #3, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Lieutenant Colonel KENNETH C. ROBERTSON, (0341453), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 9 May 1945. Lieutenant Colonel Robertson flew in continuous

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flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Lieutenant Colonel Robertson are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lucille E. Robertson, (Wife), Route #5, Vista Avenue, Boise, Idaho.

Major GEORGE H. RUSSELL, (0407749), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Major Russell flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Major Russell are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth A. Russell, (Wife), 2109 Queen Street, Bellingham, Washington.

Private First Class WILTON SAVAGE, (34162752), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Savage flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Savage are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Minnie Savage, (Mother), Route #1, Berry, Alabama.

Private First Class WELDON STUBBS, (34822678), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Stubbs flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Stubbs are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Minnie C. Stubbs, (Mother), Woolsey, Georgia.

Private First Class HAROLD C. THERIOT, (38421026), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Theriot flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Theriot are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ruby Spaulding, (Mother), 1014 Clarence, Lake Charles, Louisiana.

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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL

By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Private First Class **ALFRED J. COUNEYER**, (32963227), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Counoyer flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Counoyer are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Alma C. Counoyer (Mother), 136 Rodney French Boulevard, Bedford, Massachusetts.

Technician Fifth Grade **WALTER E. GAINESS**, (14167300), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Gaines flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Gaines are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Nina Gaines (Mother), 7352 1st Avenue N., Birmingham, Alabama.

Technician Fifth Grade **JOHNNY GARTBARINO**, (39195550), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Technician Fifth Grade Gartbarino flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Technician Fifth Grade Gartbarino are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Johnny Gartbarino (Wife), 223 Francisco Street, San Francisco, California.

Private First Class **WALTER L. GRONOWICZ**, (31264832), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Private First Class Gronowicz flew in continuous aerial flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Private First Class Gronowicz are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Veronica Gronowicz (Mother), 32 Bedford Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

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Staff Sergeant AMOS J. KEENER, JR., (13003249), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Staff Sergeant Keener flew in continuous aerial flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Staff Sergeant Keener are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Schoeffer (Mother), Box 133, Laurel Gardens, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

Staff Sergeant JOHN F. LENGEL, (13009643), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Staff Sergeant Lengel flew in continuous aerial flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Staff Sergeant Lengel are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Margaret Lengel (Mother), RFD #2, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania.

First Lieutenant EARNEST J. LIGGETT, JR., (0391015), Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. First Lieutenant Liggett flew in continuous aerial flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by First Lieutenant Liggett are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Earnest J. Liggett, Sr., (Father), Route #1, Collinsville, Oklahoma.

Chief Warrant Officer BURL U. MOREY, (W2124639), United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 26 April to 13 May 1945. Warrant Officer Morey flew in continuous flights dropping food and medical supplies to troops that were cut off from their organizations. The devotion to duty and ceaseless effort without regard for his own personal safety displayed by Chief Warrant Officer Morey are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. C. S. Morey, (Father), 4338 N. Houghton Street, Portland, Oregon.

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29 May 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER

Section I

PURPLE HEART (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)--Awards

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 the following named officer and enlisted man 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

6 May 1945

Second Lieutenant EMIL E. MATULA, (02007720), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Granger, Tex.s. (Section I, page 2, General Orders No. 30, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 22 February 1945).

7 May 1945

Private GRANT A. MOHLESTEIN, (39935017), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Wollington, Utah. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 192, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 22 May 1945).

Section II

PURPLE HEART--Awards

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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

3 March 1945

Technician Fourth Grade GEORGE P. VAN ASSCHE, (36171266), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Royal Oak, Michigan.

24 April 1945

First Lieutenant WAYNE M. CULVER, (01533293), Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army. Home Address: New York, New York.

Captain SIMNEY V. ROTHSTEIN, (0548576), Medical Corps, United States Army. Home Address: New York, New York.

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25 April 1945

Private First Class CHARLES W. BRODHAZ, (38528455), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Dallas, Texas.

29 April 1945

Technical Sergeant PRESTON A. PARKER, (6266251), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Spencerville, Oklahoma.

2 May 1945

Private First Class JAMES W. MOORE, (39308447), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Junction City, Oregon.

Technician Fifth Grade VIRGIL E. SMITH, (39418418), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Home Address: Fresno, California.

Private First Class PHILLIP J. WEST, (35757718), Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: New Martinsville, West Virginia.

4 May 1945

Captain ROBERT A. EDENFIELD, (01288877), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Tallahassee, Florida.

6 May 1945

First Lieutenant WILLIAM F. KNIGHT, (01297741), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Santa Ana, California.

7 May 1945

Private First Class HERBERT McCARTY, (35353819), Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Gratis, Ohio.

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28 May 1945

ORIGINAL ORDER
Section I
SILVER STAR (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER)—award

By direction of the President, in addition to the Silver Star awarded to First Lieutenant John W. Martin, (02042866), as published in General Orders No. 56, Headquarters USAFISPA, 9 March 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 (Bul 43, WD, 1918).

First Lieutenant JOHN W. MARTIN, (02042866), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Pinangatalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 8 February 1945. First Lieutenant Martin, Platoon Leader, was sent out to investigate the nearby terrain where a small enemy patrol had been spotted. Almost immediately contact was made by the patrol with a large group of Japanese who were advancing toward the bivouac area, and a messenger was sent back for reinforcements. Lieutenant Martin called for an assault mortar and a light machine gun to be brought up, and with six other men moved to intercept the enemy. In the face of heavy fire from the advancing enemy, he deployed his men in the best positions possible. With disregard for his own personal safety, Lieutenant Martin ran forward to an exposed piece of ground, personally killed five of the enemy and prevented the main force of nearly sixty from flanking his unit. Maintaining his position despite the continued enemy fire, he then directed a machine gun and mortar into position to force the enemy back. Lieutenant Martin's extraordinary courage, disregard for his own safety and personal example in holding an exposed, untenable position until reinforcements arrived, inspired the other members of the outnumbered group to stop a determined enemy force from attacking the troop and its vehicles which were still moving into bivouac nearby. Home Address: Mrs. John W. Martin, (Wife), Box 1936, Auckland, New Zealand.

Section II

SILVER STAR—Awards

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant LESLIE E. BONSTELLE, (36127682), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Binalonan, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 17 January 1945. Staff Sergeant Bonstelle, a machine gun section leader, manned a machine gun on the far flank of an infantry company. An enemy tank ran the gauntlet of the company front along the street in spite of the bazooka fire, with the machine gun on the turret of the tank raking men in half-prepared

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positions causing many casualties; Staff Sergeant Bonstelle, with complete disregard for his own personal safety, laid down rapid fire directly at the turret machine gun. The enemy tank drove on attempting to overrun his position. He was severely wounded in the face and on the body from flying fragments of 47mm shells, but nevertheless continued to man his post, firing at the tank turret which was inflicting such devastating damage. Bazooka fire stopped the tank within five to ten feet of his position, but still the tank turret gun continued to fire. Although badly wounded, Staff Sergeant Bonstelle did not leave his gun until he had completely neutralized the enemy machine gun. Staff Sergeant Bonstelle's gallantry and courage saved many more men from being wounded and his coolness and extraordinary bravery under such adverse conditions were an inspiration to all who witnessed him and were in keeping with the highest standards of military tradition. Home Address: Mrs. Jean Killingsworth, (mother), 2585 Lake Pleasant Road, Metosasa, Michigan.

Private First Class VINCE R. BROWN, (38101141), Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces southeast of Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands on 18 April 1945. Private First Class Brown, an assistant automatic rifleman, was in a position on a slope approaching a high knoll where the infantry company had hastily dug in the previous afternoon. A Japanese force launched a furious attack from a knoll in front of an infantry company. The enemy machine gun was set up on the right flank and was delivering a withering enfilade fire and pinning everyone to the ground. Private First Class Brown, and another man, knowing that the enemy machine gun would have to be eliminated if the enemy attack was to be repulsed, on his own initiative and in the face of the enemy machine gun, rifle and mortar fire, deliberately exposed himself to enemy fire in order to locate the enemy machine gun position. After locating the enemy gun, Private First Class Brown, knowing there was only one full magazine of ammunition, secured a belt of machine gun ammunition and moved to a position where effective fire from the automatic rifle could be laid on the machine gun. While the other man was firing at the enemy machine gun, Private First Class Brown was at his side removing ammunition from the machine gun belt and filling the empty magazines, all the while exposed to intense enemy fire. Private First Class Brown's gallant actions, coolness under fire and devotion to duty were an inspiration to all who witnessed his actions and were in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ada Lea, (mother), Fort Stekton, Texas.

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Section I

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.-- By direction of the President, in addition to the Purple Heart Medal awarded him as published in General Orders shown after his name, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded the following named officer 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

13 April 1945

Captain CORNELIUS M. HANSEN, II, 01323127, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Atlanta, Georgia. (Section II, page 1, General Orders No. 513, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 27 December 1945.)

Section II

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

29 January 1945

Staff Sergeant RAY D. DEAN, 37481110, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

5 February 1945

Sergeant ERAL E. HARSTRITE, 37616919, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: St. Louis, Missouri.

13 March 1945

Sergeant FAY L. PICKETT, 37704274, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Elba, Colorado.

Sergeant ROBERT R. SCHAFER, 37704463, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Brush, Colorado.

27 March 1945

Staff Sergeant HAROLD C. WINGST, 33763927, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hollidysburg, Pennsylvania.

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30 March 1945

Private First Class NEELI W. ZAHLMANN, 32929393, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Keansburg, New Jersey.

9 April 1945

Private First Class MURPHY BREBUS, 38486362, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Sulphur, Louisiana.

26 April 1945

Private First Class ROY YOUNG, 34658912, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Taylor, South Carolina.

27 April 1945

Private First Class STEWART BATALE, 39054210, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Cubero, New Mexico.

15 May 1945

Private First Class VIRGIL GIBBARD, 35784448, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Mummie, Kentucky.

23 May 1945

Private First Class JIM BANKS, JR., 34812541, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Jasper, Alabama.

2 June 1945

Staff Sergeant WILLIAM SLENSKER, 37701605, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Lakewood, Colorado.

Section III

AMENDMENTS TO GENERAL ORDERS.--So much of Section II, page 2 (Award of the Purple Heart Medal), General Orders No. 493, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division 4 December 1945, as pertains to First Lieutenant JACK W. UHLM, 0463452, Infantry as reads: "Purple Heart Medal is awarded" is amended to read: "First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal is awarded".

So much of Section II, page 2 (Award of the Purple Heart Medal), General Orders No. 452, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 11 September 1945, as pertains to Staff Sergeant JOHNNIE McBRYANT, 14024542, Infantry, as reads: "Purple Heart Medal is awarded" is amended to read: "First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal is awarded".

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL BROWN:

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Nagoya, Honshu

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27 December 1945

Section I

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9409, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, ED, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant ROGER SMITH, 3807213, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 22 March 1945. On that date Company "B" was making a flanking move toward Balete Pass from the east. Staff Sergeant SMITH was with the leading squad and a scout dog was working with his platoon. The dog had worked with the company in the past and all of the men had confidence in his ability to detect the enemy, however, on this day with the wind blowing toward the enemy and dampness of the jungle, the dog was unable to detect the enemy until the leading platoon passed the first enemy position. After the platoon began to climb the steep path, and the dog detected the enemy's presence, Staff Sergeant SMITH went forward with some other soldiers to investigate but about this time the Japanese in the rear opened fire on the platoon, inflicting several casualties. Seeing this, Staff Sergeant SMITH, not wanting to leave the wounded behind, crawled with the other uninjured men into a position where they could fire on the rear position. In order to fire on the enemy, Staff Sergeant SMITH had to expose himself to enemy fire but did not hesitate. Because of his heroic actions five wounded men were able to reach the remainder of the company. Staff Sergeant SMITH's actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Lela N. Smith, Mother, Route 1, Clyde, Texas.

Technical Sergeant ELMER E. SNOWDEN, 37472675, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 29 March 1945. On the afternoon of 28 March, Company "B" attacked a hill 300 yards south of Lone Tree Hill. It became dark before the objective could be taken so the company was forced to take up a defensive position in an unfavorable location. During the early part of the night, the enemy made four attacks on the position using rifles, knee mortars, and hand grenades with acrid gas attached to them. By midnight, all our hand grenades and 60mm mortar ammunition had been expended and it would be impossible to stop another attack with rifle fire. Realizing this, Technical Sergeant SNOWDEN moved around the position and collected 32 rifle grenades from the other members of his company. At 0100 when the next attack began, he fired these grenades, although he knew that if one of them accidentally hit a limb, he would be instantly killed by his own weapon. Through his initiative and courage, Technical Sergeant SNOWDEN, without regard for his own personal safety, kept the enemy from overrunning his company's position and thus saved the lives of many of his comrades. Home address: Mrs. Barbara E. Snowden, Mother, 109 West High Street, Lexington, Nebraska.

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Technical Sergeant ARISTIDES G. SOTERAS, 39916391, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. George G. Soterass, Mother, 148 26th Street, Ogden, Utah.

Captain GORDON B. TURNER, 01310322, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 29 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Jean S. Turner, Wife, 22 DeBarry Place, Summit, New Jersey.

First Lieutenant ROBERT W. WILMAN, 01317063, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. Wesley E. Wilman, Father, 800 South West Avenue, Jackson, Michigan.

Section II

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.—Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer for wound received in action against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

27 March 1945

Captain CORNELIUS M. HARMAN, II, 01323127, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Atlanta, Georgia.

Section III

REVOCATION OF GENERAL ORDERS.—So much of Section II, page 1 (Awards of the Purple Heart Medal), General Orders No. 502, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 17 December 1945, as pertains to the award of the Purple Heart Medal to Captain CORNELIUS M. HARMAN, II, 01323127, is revoked.

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26 December 1945

Section I

AWARD OF THE FIRST CLASS CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain JAMES G. SHANAHAN, 0438187, as published in General Orders No. 422, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, D, 1944).

Captain JAMES G. SHANAHAN, 0438187, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 March 1945. On that date Company "B" was given the mission of securing the high ground on the left of the Putlan River Valley. The terrain to the enemy position was extremely difficult because of the sheer rise for hundreds of feet. The crest was wooded which made a natural defensive position for the enemy while the lower part was cleared, forcing the attackers to move up the sheer side of the hill in the open. In the ensuing action, although the Japanese fought bitterly, the company finally approached to within 150 yards of the top. At this time a message was received to take the hill at all cost because of heavy casualties the remainder of the battalion was receiving from mortar fire from the tip of the hill. Captain SHANAHAN (then a Platoon Leader) moved his platoon up a small wooded draw which led up to within 50 yards of the crest. In the ensuing action they advanced under increasing machine gun and rifle fire. Although the attack was seemingly broken up, twice by costly reverses, it was through the perseverance and daring example exhibited by Captain SHANAHAN that his platoon was able to rally and keep assaulting the sheer precipice. The attack inspired by the dauntless leadership of Captain SHANAHAN, succeeded in knocking out the mortars. Captain SHANAHAN's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Edward J. Shanahan, Father, 20 Cherry Valley Road, Pompey, New York.

Section II

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain NEAL G. GRIFFAND, 02607495, Infantry, United States Army, for his glorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Alma Grimland, Mother, 501 North 10th Street, Waco, Texas.

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26 December 1945

Section I

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to Captain JAMES G. SHANAHAN, 0438187, as published in General Orders No. 423, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 23 August 1945, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, ED, 1944).

Captain JAMES G. SHANAHAN, 0438187, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Putlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 March 1945. On that date Company "B" was given the mission of securing the high ground on the left of the Putlan River Valley. The terrain to the enemy position was extremely difficult because of the sheer rise for hundreds of feet. The crest was wooded which made a natural defensive position for the enemy while the lower part was cleared, forcing the attackers to move up the sheer side of the hill in the open. In the ensuing action, although the Japanese fought bitterly, the company finally approached to within 150 yards of the top. At this time a message was received to take the hill at all cost because of heavy casualties the remainder of the battalion was receiving from mortar fire from the tip of the hill. Captain SHANAHAN (then a Platoon Leader) moved his platoon up a small wooded draw which led up to within 50 yards of the crest. In the ensuing action they advanced under increasing machine gun and rifle fire. Although the attack was seemingly broken up twice by costly reverses, it was through the perseverance and daring example exhibited by Captain SHANAHAN that his platoon was able to rally and keep assaulting the sheer precipice. The attack inspired by the dauntless leadership of Captain SHANAHAN, succeeded in knocking out the mortars. Captain SHANAHAN's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mr. Edward J. Shanahan, Father, 20 Cherry Valley Road, Pompey, New York.

Section II

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, ED, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain NEAL G. GRIMLIND, 02007495, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Alma Grimlind, Mother, 501 North 10th Street, Waco, Texas.

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Technical Sergeant VICTOR N. GRUMBICK, 3669820, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 4 May to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Pearl Grumbick, wife, 4628 N. Keystone Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Captain CORNELIUS M. HARMAN II., 01323127, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Clene N. Harman, wife, 861 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia.

First Lieutenant GEORGE D. PEBLES, 02007498, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at San Manuel, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 25 January 1945. First Lieutenant PEBLES, with a force of one rifle squad and one anti-tank squad was to precede the advance on a new objective in San Manuel. When they reached the objective, the enemy opened up with a terrific cross-fire of rifles and machine guns. First Lieutenant PEBLES and a corporal unlimbered the gun by themselves and put it into action. Disregarding his personal safety First Lieutenant PEBLES exposed himself to enemy fire in order to place 30 rounds of high explosives into the enemy positions and neutralize their fire. First Lieutenant PEBLES heroic actions in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Clara Pebles, Mother, East 3001 Jackson Avenue, Spokane, Washington.

Technician Fifth Grade NATHAN REGBERG, 35388141, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Rose Regberg, Mother, 1334 Shorp Avenue, Canton, Ohio.

First Lieutenant BALLAS J. ROBERTS, 02027506, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. Willis B. Roberts, Father, Route 4, Howard, Kansas.

Major GEORGE H. RUSSELL, 0407749, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Elizabeth Russell, wife, 2109 Queen Street, Bellingham, Washington.

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COMBAT INFANTRY STREAMER

Under the provisions of paragraph 9, War Department Circular No 408, dated 17 October 1944, with sixth five (65) per cent of its table of organization strength having been awarded the Combat Infantryman badge as of 11 January 1945, the 27th Infantry Regiment is entitled to the Combat Infantry Regiment Streamer, retroactive to 11 January 1945.

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Section I

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS.—LIEUTENANT COLONEL JAMES R. MEDLER, 023132, Ordnance Department, this headquarters, is announced Division Ordnance Officer, vice CAPTAIN F. GEORGE L. MILLER, 0339386, Ordnance Department, 725th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company, acting Division Ordnance Officer, relieved.

Verbal Order Commanding General, 26 November 1945, announcing CAPTAIN (then First Lieutenant) ARTHUR W. TUTTLE, 01281328, Finance Department, this headquarters, as Division Finance Officer, vice MAJOR JAMES L. MARLIS, 01260198, relieved, are confirmed and made of record.

Section II

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, D, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant RICHARD F. EBOCK, 02046958, Medical Administrative Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 24 April to 26 April 1945. Home address: Mrs. Veronica Ebock, wife, 539 South 45th Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Staff Sergeant ROBERT G. EMBRETSON, 37562647, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 18 March to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Nan Embretson, mother, 4337 Second Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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~~First Lieutenant RICHARD W. FERRIER, 0520883, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Lena Ferrier, mother, New Castle, Virginia.~~

Captain DON L. FISHER, 0463104, Medical Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wilma Fisher, wife, 560 North Kingsley Drive, Los Angeles, California.

Second Lieutenant WILLIAM S. GRIFFIN, 02027558, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 February to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Anna S. Griffin, mother, 986 Northwest Street, Miami, Florida.

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Section III

AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bul 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-1, 11 September 1942 (Bul 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel JAY D. VANDERPOOL, O410776, General Staff Corps, United States Army, for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights at Luzon, Philippine Islands, during the period 15 January to 15 June 1945. Lieutenant Colonel VANDERPOOL made frequent flights of a hazardous nature to locate enemy strong-points and determine enemy dispositions in connection with his duties as Division Intelligence Officer. These flights were made over the most hazardous of mountain terrain and frequently at virtual tree-level height, exposing the observer to small arms fire and the possibility of forced landing in enemy infested jungle areas. Lieutenant Colonel VANDERPOOL's enthusiasm and determination to perform the best possible job were never deterred by the many hazards constantly incident to these flights. Lieutenant Colonel VANDERPOOL's services reflected credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Belle Smith, Grandmother, Route 1, Wetumka, Oklahoma.

Section IV

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

29 January 1945

Privates First Class ROBERT L. HILL, 37567973, Corps of Military Police, United States Army. Home Address: Moorhead, Minnesota.

10 February 1945

Technician Fourth Grade LOUIS PALMER, 31361952, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Fall River, Massachusetts.

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19 December 1945

Section I

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL (Posthumous).—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (bul 43, MD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

First Lieutenant **ELMER BOSTWICK, JR.**, O4C7491, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. On this date Company "C" made a second attack on a Japanese unit defending Lupao. Two platoons, led by Lieutenant BOSTWICK had gone forward across open rice paddies in short rushes to within 100 yards of the bamboo thicket which screened the Japanese positions, before the enemy commenced firing. The attacking force was immediately pinned down and suffered several casualties. It was apparent that the attack would be too costly and the order was given to fall back, but Lieutenant BOSTWICK ordered his men to hold their ground until the wounded were evacuated. The Japanese then made their counter-attack spearheaded by a tank. Lieutenant BOSTWICK directed mortar fire by radio which disorganized the enemy counter-attack and the tank was knocked out of action. First Lieutenant BOSTWICK's gallant actions were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Josephine A. Bostwick, Wife, 129 E. 74th Street, New York, New York.

Section II

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (bul 43, MD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

Private First Class **DANIAL P. STOUP**, 33763402, Medical Department, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. On this date Private First Class STOUP's company was attacking the southern outskirts of Lupao against an entrenched enemy whose position was held by dug in tanks and machine guns. The First Sergeant of Private First Class STOUP's company was mortally wounded while in an exposed position. He lay in a rice paddy which was located about forty yards from the enemy. Fully aware of the danger involved, Private First Class STOUP unhesitatingly went to the aid of the wounded man. While trying to get the wounded man out of the line of fire so he could administer first aid, Private First Class STOUP was the main target for constant enemy fire. One 47mm round hit the wounded man again and exploded, seriously wounding Private First Class STOUP. Private First Class STOUP's gallant actions in the face of grave danger was an inspiration to all and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Stoup, Mother, Ridge Terrace, Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

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Section III

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous).—By direction of the President, under the provisions of executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officer:

Lieutenant Colonel ROBERT W. McCALDER, 0423494, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 17 January to 27 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Louise M. McCaldar, wife, 3343 North Orchard, Tacoma, Washington.

Section IV

AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted man:

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~~Staff Sergeant JAMES L. MAIR, 37616710, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. James L. Mair, Father, Caruthersville, Missouri.~~

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, ED, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class ALEXANDER O. MAKI, 37570642, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 6 February 1945. The unit to which Private First Class MAKI was attached at that time had begun an attack north through the town of Lupao. Before the attack had progressed for any length of time the entire unit was brought under hostile fire from tanks and heavy machine guns. The defensive position of the enemy was dug in and camouflaged to such an extent that observation of it was very poor. Heavy casualties were inflicted on our troops in the first few minutes of action. Private First Class MAKI, Company Aid Man, with complete disregard for his personal safety, did on several occasions administer first aid to the wounded in an open position along lanes of fire. Alone and exhausted he took the wounded to relatively safe positions and guided the litter bearers to the serious cases. Private First Class MAKI's heroic actions were instrumental in saving the lives of the wounded and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Ida Maki, Mother, 901 Armstrong Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

First Sergeant JOSEPH E. MITCHELL, 33171267, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Ida Mitchell, Mother, 65 Poplar Avenue, West Bristol, Pennsylvania.

Sergeant BELTON E. OWENS, 34812550, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Flossie L. C. Owens, Mother, Route 3, Hamilton, Alabama.

Sergeant THOMAS ... ROACH, 34824667, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Katherine Roach, Mother, Route 4, Canton, Georgia.

Staff Sergeant JOHN F. ROMER, 33138082, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Romer, Mother, Route 1, Royersford, Pennsylvania.

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Staff Sergeant SIDNEY A. SAETRE, 37305993, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Ida E. Saetre, Mother, Henning, Minnesota.

Staff Sergeant ROY F. SPRAY, 36188850, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Futlan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 15 April 1945. On this date Company "D", less one heavy machine gun platoon, was in a position on high ground east of Futlan. The enemy launched a coordinated attack at 2200, of approximately two platoons. The attack was launched against the machine gun squad, of which Staff Sergeant SPRAY was Squad Leader. Realizing his squad could not hold out very long against a concentrated attack, Staff Sergeant SPRAY unhesitatingly left his position, exposing himself, and crawled 25 yards under the fire of two enemy machine guns to the company command post to get 81mm mortar fire on the enemy. He immediately returned to his position to observe the mortar fire. Staff Sergeant SPRAY's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Lina Spray, Mother, Box 205, Wakefield, Michigan.

Staff Sergeant HAROLD R. VEIT, 37567260, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Nora M. Veit, Mother, Glad Valley, South Dakota.

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Technical Sergeant **ARLIE L. COMBS**, 34720738, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Helen Combs, Wife, 914 East 8th Avenue, Johnson City, Tennessee

Technical Sergeant **KELLY GECSEI**, 35002396, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces at Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 4 February 1945. On that day Company "B" had to cross 600 yards of flat open rice paddies to reach the Japanese positions which were in the wooded area around the town. The company moved forward with two platoons abreast followed by the mortar section. The two leading platoons were within 200 yards of the woods when they began to receive some small arms fire, however, they continued to move forward by fire and movement for another 75 yards. Here both platoons were pinned down by intense machine gun, mortar and tank fire. Technical Sergeant GECSEI, who was with the mortar section, ignored the fire and crawled forward to the third platoon leader. Here he learned the situation and prepared to lay 60mm mortar fire to help the platoons withdraw. He could not see the enemy positions from where he was located so, taking a radio, he started moving forward to a better position. Under his direction, the mortars knocked out two machine guns and kept the enemy pinned down so that the platoon was able to rescue the wounded and withdraw to a better position. Technical Sergeant GECSEI's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary Gecsei, Mother, Box 421, Congo, Ohio.

Captain **CHARLES E. HUNT**, 0400300, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Irene M. Hunt, Wife, 636 Water Street, Port Townsend, Washington.

Staff Sergeant **HARRY KANZE**, 11020710, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. On this day Company "B" was attacking a grassy hill about three hundred yards south of Lone Tree Hill. The hill was defended by about twenty-five Japanese supported by three heavy machine guns. Twice the company attacked the hill but was unsuccessful because of the excellent observation and fields of fire. The third time however, the company was able to work around the flank, getting to the bottom of the hill without being observed by the enemy. By calling for mortar fire, the Japanese had been forced to remain in their positions on the reverse side of the hill. Arriving at the bottom of the hill, Staff Sergeant KANZE's squad, which was leading, began to move up the open ground as soon as the mortar fire had been lifted.

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A few Japanese began to appear and seeing our troops approaching, began to fire. The squad, not having any protection or cover started back down the hill. Staff Sergeant KANZE, seeing this, shouted to his men and began to run up the hill firing. The squad immediately followed his example and also began firing. By Staff Sergeant KANZE's quick thinking, courage and leadership, the objective was taken without a casualty. Staff Sergeant KANZE's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Mary L. Kanze, Mother, Myberna Street, Lakehurst, New Jersey.

Captain GEORGE R. COOK, 0463913, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 April to 20 April 1945. Captain COOK, then a Company Commander, personally conducted one of the most difficult offensive operations ever undertaken by a rifle company of this regiment. His company position, on the reverse slope of narrow, bare Crump Hill, faced at a distance of 25 yards a well defended enemy strongpoint on the opposite slope. Ordered to eliminate the Japanese position, Captain COOK made daily personal reconnaissances to his front and flanks for over a week, each time necessarily exposing himself to close, direct small arms fire, grenades, and observed artillery fire. He led two patrols which discovered and knocked out key points of the defenders line. By his fearless leadership in the face of continued danger, Captain COOK maintained the spirit and will of his depleted company, which was subsisting without adequate rations or water and faced with nightly infiltration attacks. His gallantry over this period was a major contribution to a successful assault on the strongpoint, thereby eliminating a vital enemy key to the Balete Pass citadel. Captain COOK's personal courage and resourcefulness were an inspiration to his men and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service. Home Address: Mrs. Kathleen D. Cook, Mother, 126 Broadway Avenue, New Rochelle, New York.

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Section I

AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR MEDAL (Posthumous).--By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (Bul 43, WD, 1918), a Silver Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Staff Sergeant EMIL E. BEIERLE, 20130160, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Kapintalan, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 1 May 1945. In the attack on a narrow razorback ridge dotted with a series of small knolls in the vicinity of Kapintalan, the forward elements were pinned down by heavy machine gun fire as they neared the top of one of the knolls. The platoon of which Staff Sergeant BEIERLE was Platoon Guide and which was the leading platoon, was ordered to take and secure the two knolls that hold the enemy gun positions. It being impossible to make a frontal assault because of the enemy's strategically located guns, Staff Sergeant BEIERLE without hesitation volunteered to attempt to work around the left side alone. Taking his rifle and as many hand grenades as he could carry, he slowly worked his way around the hill, despite the knowledge that if discovered, his life would be in extreme danger. Working his way up to within fifteen yards of the left machine gun position, he threw three hand grenades and completely destroyed the position. Then crawling up near the knocked out position to a point where he could fire on the second machine gun position on a small knoll opposite, he silenced the gun by rifle fire. While attempting to silence the third machine gun position he was killed. Staff Sergeant BEIERLE's gallantry in action was an inspiration to all and was in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.. Home Address: Mr. Henry Beierle, Father, 41 Willow Street, Meriden, Connecticut.

Private First Class DONALD E. WARREN, 37528050, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces at Lupac, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945. On this night the strongpoint, a bulldozed road east of Lupac held by a reinforced platoon, was the scene of an attempted break through by eight enemy tanks and approximately thirty five riflemen. After a fierce fight during which three of the tanks were knocked out, the platoon leader, seeing that all his anti-tank ammunition was gone and at least one man seriously wounded, ordered a withdrawal. Private First Class WARREN, a Machine Gunner, and another soldier volunteered to remain behind and cover the withdrawal of the rest. Private First Class WARREN still had four boxes of ammunition when the platoon withdrew. This he expended over a period of five minutes and enabled the platoon to successfully withdraw. However, his companion was seriously wounded during the short action. Private First Class WARREN then rendered the machine gun useless to the enemy by removing the cover from it. He then tried to assist the other soldier, but his companion's wounds were so serious that he soon died. Private First Class WARREN then infiltrated alone through the Japanese and got back to his platoon safely. Home Address: Mrs. Leona M. Warren, Wife, 306 1/2 Central Street, Eldorado, Kansas.

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Section II

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

Sergeant EDWARD V. OLDENBURG, 37567501, Infantry, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the Japanese forces in the vicinity of Balete Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 21 April 1945. On this day Company "C" had the mission to take a ridge which had been assaulted by another company of the battalion for four days. The ridge was defended by at least a company of Japanese, who were armed with 11 machine guns, one 47mm gun and an assault mortar, in addition to their rifles and grenades. As Company "C" moved forward to attack the position which was about 125 yards distant, the enemy poured a deluge of fire on our troops. Evaluating the situation Sergeant OLDENBURG unhesitatingly volunteered to move forward and eliminate the enemy strongpoints with his flamethrower. Sergeant OLDENBURG's gallant actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military services. Home Address: Mrs. Anna Oldenburg, Mother, Deer Creek, Michigan.

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✓ Staff Sergeant JOHN Q. BAKER, 14018413, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 5 February 1945. On that date Company "B" was attacking across an open field toward the town of Lupao. The enemy was in the woods around the town in well fortified positions. Company "B" jumped off with two platoons abreast, moving across the flat rice paddies, to within two hundred yards of the wood when the Japanese opened fire with four machine guns, a 47mm gun and a 90mm mortar. The first platoon, in which Staff Sergeant BAKER was a Squad Leader, was in an exposed position at the time and quickly had nine men injured, including the platoon leader, platoon sergeant and platoon guide. This left the platoon without any immediate leaders and, because the enemy fire was so intense and the casualties increasing so rapidly, the platoon was becoming confused and disorganized. Staff Sergeant BAKER, seeing this, took command and gave the order to advance. By his quick thinking and excellent leadership, the platoon moved forward to a better position, reorganized and was successful in it's attack. Staff Sergeant BAKER's heroic actions were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Nora Baker, mother, 313 No. 25th Street, Miami, Florida

✓ Captain C. RENCE E. CATHCART, JR., 01285010, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. C. E. Cathcart, mother, Marked Trac, Arkansas.

✓ Staff Sergeant THOMAS E. DOBBINS, 34260880, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Walter E. Dobbins, mother, Route 2, Gunnersville, Alabama.

✓ First Lieutenant WILLIAM H. DONLY, 0460103, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Miss Lula Mae Harmon, friend, 1817 Gadsden Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

✓ Technical Sergeant WILLIAM H. KINGERY, 34570131, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 January to 30 June 1945. Home address: Mrs. Verree E. Kingery, wife, 1918 East Macon Street, Savannah, Georgia.

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✓ First Lieutenant WILLIAM F. KNIGHT, 01297741, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement near Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 6 February to 8 February 1945. Given the mission of clearing the enemy from Lupao, Lieutenant KNIGHT's platoon was moving north when pinned down by enemy fire. Lieutenant KNIGHT kept his platoon organized and endeavored to instill confidence in his men although he repeatedly exposed himself to enemy fire. At approximately 0400 on 8 February, Lieutenant KNIGHT heard enemy tanks approaching, although unable to see them in the darkness, Lieutenant KNIGHT called for mortar fire, adjusted fire by sound and succeeded in knocking out one of the tanks. A few minutes later another tank approached. By means of excellent support and superior leadership, Lieutenant KNIGHT held the fire of his platoon until the tank was within 50 feet. With perfect co-ordination Lieutenant KNIGHT's Rocket Launcher team and attached 37mm opened fire and knocked out the second tank. First Lieutenant KNIGHT's heroic actions were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home Address: Mrs. H. Knight, Mother, 410 South Birch Street, Santa Ana, California.

✓ Sergeant SAMUEL L. LAMB, 35768740, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Margaret C. Lamb, Mother, Route 1, Evanslanding, Indiana.

✓ Major ROBERT B. LANE, 0425997, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 1 May to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Martha B. Lane, Wife, 2233 S. 9th Street, Miami, Florida.

[First Lieutenant EDWARD J. LEWIS, 01315077, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Martha J. Lewis, Wife, 2425 S. 21 Terrace, Miami, Florida.]

✓ Sergeant MELVIN J. LOUVIERE, 38379728, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Florence Louviere, Wife, 2030 Baronne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL (Posthumous).—By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded posthumously by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, to the following named enlisted men:

Private First Class GARNETT P. BURTON, 35465166, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 January to 12 May 1945. Home address: Mrs. Jimmie Preston, Mother, Route 1, Salvisa, Kentucky.

Private WILLIAM H. FRIDDLE, 34590793, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945. On that date the 81mm mortar platoon of Company "D" was in position near the battalion command post. Two rifle companies of the battalion were attacking the enemy held town of Lupao from the North, over flat, open rice paddies. They met stiff resistance and suffered severe losses, forcing them to withdraw to get a better position, thereby leaving some wounded men in front of the company positions. An emergency call came to the rear command post for litter bearers. Although Private FRIDDLE was part of a mortar crew which was engaged at the time in firing a mission, he and several others unhesitatingly volunteered to go forward and bring back the wounded men. Private FRIDDLE was crawling forward of our lines under intense enemy fire to reach a wounded man who was within 100 yards of the enemy positions when he was killed by a projectile from a Japanese tank. Private FRIDDLE's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mrs. Sarah F. Friddle, Mother, Route 1, Whitsett, North Carolina.

Private First Class GIPSON T. McMILLAN, 34631930, Medical Department, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 7 February 1945. Private First Class McMILLAN, Company Aid Man, treated casualties on the field of battle throughout the entire day. He moved over the entire company front, often crossing in front of our lines over open, coverless ground swept by enemy machine gun and 47mm gun fire in order to reach wounded men. He then calmly applied whatever first aid was necessary. In order to prevent further injury to wounded men during the necessarily rough trip back to friendly lines, he applied tourniquets and makeshift splints before moving them, even though he had to work in exposed positions under direct enemy fire. Private First Class McMILLAN's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Crosby McMillan, Father, Route 4, Box 41, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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Private First Class MILO J. ZENK, 37482716, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces near Lupao, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 3 February 1945. On that date the 81mm mortar platoon of Company "D" was in position near the battalion command post. Two rifle companies of the battalion were attacking the enemy held town of Lupao from the North, over flat, open rice paddies. They met stiff resistance and suffered severe losses, forcing them to withdraw to get a better position, thereby leaving some wounded men in front of the company positions. An emergency call came to the rear command post for litter bearers. Although Private First Class ZENK was part of a mortar crew which was engaged at the time firing a mission, he and several others unhesitatingly volunteered to go forward and bring back the wounded men. Private First Class ZENK's heroic actions in the face of grave danger were an inspiration to all and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Home address: Mr. Michael Zenk, Father, Route 2, Alton, Iowa.

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Section I

AWARD OF THE FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.—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 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

28 March 1945

Private First Class JOSEPH DUDZENSKI, 37702481, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Denver, Colorado. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 352, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 20 July 1945.)

12 May 1945

Private First Class ANGEL H. ESPINOZA, JR., 39422919, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Bakersfield, California. (Section II, page 2, General Orders No. 197, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 24 May 1945.)

Section II

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.—Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart Medal 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 on Luzon, Philippine Islands, under date indicated:

20 January 1945

Private First Class RICHARD SIXKILLER, 38471227, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Stilwell, Oklahoma.

13 April 1945

* Captain CORNELIUS W. HERMAN, II, 01323127, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Atlanta, Georgia.

23 April 1945

First Lieutenant HARMON A. BOYD, 01315902, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Anna, Illinois.

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24 April 1945

Staff Sergeant ROBERT E. LOVE, 37701725, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Denver, Colorado.

26 April 1945

Staff Sergeant HAROLD E. SMITH, 33515753, Infantry, United States Army.
Home Address: Colorado City, Texas.

4 May 1945

Technician Fifth Grade DALE E. FRISK, 37564551, Infantry, United States Army. Home Address: Hibbing, Minnesota.

16 June 1945

Private First Class DAVID R. LONGSHOT, 39578415, Medical Department, United States Army. Home Address: Los Angeles, California.

Section III

AMENDMENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.—So much of Section II, page 2, (Award of the Purple Heart Medal) General Orders No. 493, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 4 December 1945, as pertains to Private First Class DEAN E. HATFIELD, 37676206, Infantry, as reads: "Purple heart Medal is awarded" is amended to read: "First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Purple Heart Medal is awarded".

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AD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL AND BRONZE OAK LEAF CLUSTER TO THE BRONZE STAR.--By direction of the President, in addition to the Bronze Star Medal awarded to First Lieutenant JOHN T. FINKLE, JR., 01307612, as published in General Orders No. 24, Headquarters 25th Infantry Division, 30 May 1944, a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded him by the Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3 WD, 1944).

First Lieutenant JOHN T. FINKLE, JR., 01307612, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 12 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mr. John T. Finkle, Sr., Father, 68 Clark Street, West Haven, Connecticut.

Section II

AD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL.--By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9419, 4 February 1944 (Sec II, Bul 3, WD, 1944), a Bronze Star Medal is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

Captain LEWIS S. BILLARD, JR., 01304661, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 17 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Virginia F. Ballard, Wife, 230 North Woodin Boulevard, Dallas, Texas.

Captain WALTER BIG, 01324132, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 21 January to 11 April 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Sovie L. Big, Mother, Roxbury, Massachusetts.

First Lieutenant HERMAN E. BOYD, 01315902, Infantry, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against the Japanese forces on Luzon, Philippine Islands, from 11 January to 30 June 1945. Home Address: Mrs. Florence E. Boyd, Wife, 200 Lincoln Street, Anne, Illinois.

Private First Class LEO H. BROCKMAN, 36604195, Infantry, United States Army, for heroic achievement against the Japanese forces in the vicinity of Balate Pass, Luzon, Philippine Islands, on 31 March 1945. On that day Company "B" made an attack on a grassy hill south of Lone Tree Hill. The hill was taken after an assault and the company began to dig-in on the top. Before the position was finished the enemy opened fire with two machine guns, grazing the top of the hill. One soldier near Private First Class BROCKMAN was wounded in the stomach by a burst of machine gun fire, and although still conscious, could not crawl out of the line of fire to safety. Private First Class BROCKMAN, seeing this,

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